

# ❖ The Green Sheet ❖

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## October Meeting

### Foxchase Golf Club

#### Pro-Super-GM-Affiliate Better Ball

Friday, October 19, 2007

8:00 AM - Shotgun

Lunch following golf

Lunch, cart, range balls, and prizes provided  
(Optional \$40 per team skins game)

## Superintendent Profile

Dan Achenbach has worked at Foxchase Golf Club since February 1993. He previously worked at Royal Oaks Golf Course and Fairview Golf Course. Dan received his Associates Degree from Harrisburg Area Community College and a Bachelors Degree from Eastern Kentucky University. After 4 years working in Lancaster city as a police officer, Dan went to Penn State University and received a 2 year certificate in Turfgrass Management. Dan and his wife, Patti have 2 sons: Ben and Alex.

## Golf Course Profile

Foxchase Golf Club opened on May 15, 1991. Nestled in the small town of Stevens, PA, Foxchase is a public golf course built on farmland owned by the Graybill family. Arthur, his son Steve, and Irv, with son Doug are the owners who all previously farmed the land raising chickens and dairy cattle. The course was designed by John Thompson and the Graybills. The fairways are currently being converted from ryegrass to bentgrass. The par is 72 stretched from the 6,784 yards from the Championship tees to 4,690 from the Ladies tees.

**Foxchase Golf Club**  
300 Stevens Road,  
Stevens, PA 17578  
717-336-3673

## Directions to Foxchase Golf Club

### From PA Turnpike - Exit 286 Reading/Lancaster

Go straight past 222 North and South entrances. Turn left at traffic light which is 272 South. Go 1 mile and turn right at traffic light at Sunoco Gas Station. Go 1/2 mile and turn left at Stevens Road. Go 1/2 mile and turn into Foxchase Golf Club.

### From Route 322:

- Traveling East - Follow 322 East to Route 272 N. Follow 272 N approximately 3.5 miles to Sunoco Gas Station. Take left at light (Church Street. Go 1/2 mile and turn left at Stevens Road. Go 1/2 mile and turn right into Foxchase Golf Club.
- Traveling West - Follow 322 West to Route 222 North. Follow to Denver, PA Turnpike Exit. Follow directions from PA Turnpike.

### From 222:

From either North or South - Follow to Denver, PA Turnpike Exit. Follow directions from PA Turnpike.

## Upcoming Events

- **Penn State Golf Turf Conference**  
November 14 - 16, 2007  
Nittany Lion Inn, State College
- **Eastern PA Turf Conference and Trade Show**  
January 8 - 10, 2008  
Valley Forge Convention Center, King of Prussia
- **Golf Industry Show**  
January 31 - February 2, 2008  
Orlando, Florida

**CPGCSA will be offering "OSHA Compliance and Workplace Safety Training" as our yearly educational seminar. This training is presented by William M. Bernhart.**

**More information and seminar dates will be advertised soon.**

## Pennsylvania Drought Update

HARRISBURG (Oct. 5) -- The lack of significant rain over most of the commonwealth during September and this month has prompted the Department of Environmental Protection to expand its drought watch declaration to 53 counties.

Clinton County was placed in a drought warning because numerous water suppliers are having problems meeting demand.

The expanded declaration was recommended following a meeting this week of the state's drought task force.

"We are asking everyone in the affected counties to be diligent in conserving water since long-range forecasts are not predicting the kind of slow, steady, soaking rain needed to break the drought," said DEP Secretary Kathleen McGinty. "In addition, reducing demand at this time of year is more challenging since most of our water use is associated with indoor activities."

A drought watch is the first and least severe of the state's three drought watch declarations. It calls for a voluntary 5 percent reduction in non-essential water use. A drought warning — also a voluntary measure — asks users to reduce water consumption by 10 to 15 percent.

Following an unusually dry summer, DEP declared a drought watch on Aug. 6 for 58 counties. On Sept. 5, 26 counties were removed from the drought watch following storms in late August.

Nine new counties were placed in watch status today, including Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton and Philadelphia.

Additionally, 13 counties re-entered drought watch status, including Armstrong, Butler, Carbon, Clarion, Juniata, Lawrence, Lebanon, Mercer, Northumberland, Perry, Susquehanna, Tioga and York.

"Unfortunately, many counties have had below-normal precipitation over the last several weeks, causing record-low stream flows in some cases and continued decline of groundwater, surface water and reservoir levels," said McGinty. "Currently, there are approximately 80 public water systems in the state under voluntary or mandatory restrictions."

Areas hardest hit are in Clearfield and Clinton counties where several public water suppliers are purchasing water from other systems or trucking in water to meet demand. In Lock Haven, Clinton County, mandatory water restrictions are in place due to low reservoir levels caused by drought and the draw down of the reservoir for repairs.

Several streams located predominantly in the north central portion of the state are at or near record low flows.

For the latest on drought conditions and tips on how to save water, visit [www.depweb.state.pa.us](http://www.depweb.state.pa.us), keyword: drought.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Following is the list of counties under a drought watch:

Adams	Elk	Northampton
Armstrong	Erie	Northumberland
Bedford	Franklin	Perry
Berks	Forest	Somerset
Blair	Fulton	Sullivan
Bradford	Greene	Susquehanna
Bucks	Juniata	Tioga
Butler	Lancaster	Union
Carbon	Lawrence	Venango
Cambria	Lebanon	Washington
Cameron	Lehigh	Wyoming
Centre	Luzerne	York
Chester	Lycoming	
Clarion	McKean	
Clearfield	Mercer	<b>Drought Warning</b>
Columbia	Monroe	Clinton
Cumberland	Montgomery	
Dauphin	Montour	
Delaware		