



THE G.A.S.P. GAZETTE

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Bring On 2003!

Well, time to dig out the clubs, find a few extra dozen balls, head off to the driving range, and practice reciting your excuses as the 2003 edition of our fair G.A.S.P. tournament draws near. With the fine planning of the likes of Lyle, John, and myself, either the trip will be a fantastic good time, or will end up stinking up the place like one of John's lame apologies. Only time will tell. So let's get on with some of the must-know details everyone requires.



Dates:

June 20 - 22, 2003

Golf Course:

Innisfail Golf Club

(2 km west of Innisfail on Hwy. 54)

Innisfail, AB

Phone: (403) 227-3444

Accommodations:

Anthony Henday Campground

Intersection of 56 St. and Hwy. 54

Innisfail, AB

Cost:

\$220 (golf and camping included)

The Players:

| Group A | Group B |
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| Doug | John |
| Lyle | Joe |
| Trevor | Brad |
| Group C | Group D |
| Mark | Dave |
| Gary | Al |
| Alvin | Roger |

As per usual, one player will be selected from each group to form a team. Bribes are presently being taken to change your position within the grid (no cheques please). This does not include Lyle, who has been bucking for a drop into Group B for the last week or so. Remember kids: Just say no!

The Course:

Can't get enough about golf courses to read? You need help! But in the meantime, this is an 18 hole course, with "bent" grasses on the greens and fairways. (Bent? Shouldn't they just cut it when it grows too long?) The signature hole is #15, but #16 is the most difficult (so they say). Nevertheless, bring some pruning clippers as you will be spending a great deal of time in the woods looking, in vain, for your golf ball. Not too much water, which would only mean you could find your ball and get it back!

The course includes the following features:

- Putting green (for John's "A" game)
- Driving Range (Doug's partners take note that you should spend 2 - 4 hours here per day)
- Licensed Food and Banquet Facility and Outdoor Patio (more beers for Al)
- Pro Shop (more balls for Dave)
- A licensed snack shack, strategically located so it can be accessed halfway through both nines (for Gary's convenience).



Tee times begin at 1:04, 12:40, and 12:40 on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, respectively.

Getting lost on the course? If you find yourself back on the fairway and need to figure out "How far is it to the hole?", then note the markers. Yardage marker discs are at 100, 150 and 200 yards.

(Birdhouses also indicate the 150 mark on each hole, which is great if you are a bird!) Sprinkler heads have exact yardages on them, not that you should expect to play the fairways. 12 lost balls per round is not an underestimate, on a good day. (Right: A view of #2 from the green, if you ever make it out of the woods long enough to see blue sky.)



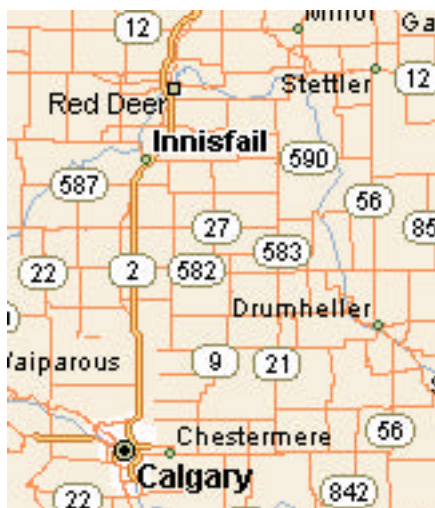
The Campground:

The Anthony Henday Campground is a Town of Innisfail facility, located on the northwest corner of the town where 56 St. intersects with Hwy. 54. The Innisfail Golf Course is immediately north of the campground.

The campground has 40 sites, 30 of which are serviced with electricity. Rates are \$13.00 for power sites and \$10.00 for the unserviced sites. The campground features a camp kitchen, hot showers, washroom facilities, and firewood (according to the web). The quickest route to the campground is to stay on Hwy. 54 (Main Street) from the Hwy. 2 overpass all the way through town to the west, cross the tracks, and past the cemetery before turning right just before leaving town to the west.

Need a Map:

Although I can't show you exactly where we will have our tents set up (the same as the first time for all you old timers), a map or two may help.



First, find your way to Innisfail by some route. Then, travel through the town until you reach the western edge on the highway. Turn right when you see the campground signs. It is directly beside the highway, as everyone who was there the

first time will remember. Don't forget: John has dibs on the high ground.

The Last Word

Okay, so Lyle is a little worried about not being on the same team as Trevor. Even worse, he might end up with me! But what's the point in getting upset? This year promises to be a dandy, and don't be surprised if we grow by a few more players next year. With the return of new GASPites (Al, Roger, and Trevor) as well as old (Alvin), one can only wonder if Jimmy is wishing he was in Innisfail in 2003. Better not tell him about the "hands-on" lessons now offered out of the pro shop by the summer help shown to the right. He'd step out on his family for a pint in a neighborhood pub, and end up in central Alberta for a few nights. Gary deserves better, so let's keep it quiet until July.

