



Client	CRICKET ST THOMAS GOLF CLUB	Date	SEPTEMBER 2021
Project Description	RE-DESIGNS OF HOLES 8, 9 AND 10 FOLLOWING SOIL IMPORTATION	Scale	Not to Scale
Drawing Description	NEW HOLES 8, 9 AND 10 MASTERPLAN	Drawing No	CST/100/101

New 8th hole
- Maximum 395 - yards from a championship "tiger" tee, but for the majority of the time the length of the hole will be from 360-yards from the yellow tee markers to 300-yards from the lady tee.
- The tee shot will be downhill to a generous landing area but protected by two fairway bunkers positioned, from the yellow tee platform, at 220-yards on the right & 250- yards on the left.
- The approach will be slightly uphill to a cambered green with a diagonal tier. Only the one bunker protecting the front right of the green but we will form a deep swale stretching along much of the left of the green. Features such as these can be equally as challenging to recover from as a bunker.

New 9th hole
- The 9th will be a spectacular downhill Par 3 with a pond protecting the right of the green, as well as a bunker front left. The 9th is sure to become the "signature" golf hole at Cricket St Thomas GC.
- The strategy of the hole will either be to play target golf to the green, or, because of the shaping of the approach, golfers will be able to land the ball short of the green allowing the gradients to guide the ball onto the green. However, get the shot slightly wrong and the ball will either gather into the bunker, or towards the pond.
- The hole is 165-yards in length from the white tee marker, 150-yards from the yellows and 130-yards from the reds.

New 10th hole
- The current 10th hole is an extremely challenging Par 4, 418-yards in length but playing considerably longer due to its uphill nature. Overall, with its uphill and semi-blind tee shot followed by another uphill and semi-blind approach to the green, we would not describe the hole as particularly enjoyable.
- We are therefore planning to increase the length of the hole to Par 5 status by strengthening the dogleg and pushing the green back to the current location of the 8th tees.
- As a Par 5, the golf hole will become a much more enjoyable golfing experience. The tee shot remains an uphill one, but two fairway bunkers and moundwork left and right, will ensure a more clearly defined shot.
- Following the tee shot, by adjusting the levels of the fairway, we will ensure that the green and its associated greenside and approach bunkering, will be visible from as far down the fairway as possible, once again helping to make the 2nd shot as enjoyable and clearly defined as possible.
- The maximum length of the hole will be 460-yards; a Par 5 due to its uphill status. However, due to the short nature this Par 5, the approach and green bunkering will be positioned in such a way that 2nd shot, whether laying up or going for the green in two, will be a stiff challenge and for those golfers that do decide to lay-up, the resultant pitch to the green will be to a shallow, well protected green requiring a precise shot.



Notes
The reconstruction of holes 8, 9 and 10 is Phase 1 of a 5-year masterplan to carry out some improvements to what is already an excellent facility, but one that would benefit from some adjustments that would help address one or two weaknesses and ensure Cricket St Thomas's reputation and profile is enhanced for members and visitors alike. The work makes good use of the opportunities soil importation generates to adjust the design and layout of some of the golf course. Following the completion of the soil importation on the parcel of land occupied by holes 8, 9 and 10, there is the opportunity to improve the layout and design of these holes. (ideas described above)
The green and tee complexes will be constructed using the highest possible specifications that ensure excellent drainage and sward conditions. Additionally, the 7 new bunkers (there are currently 5) will have one of the latest bunker liner systems that ensure perfect drainage and therefore sand conditions year round
The greens and tee complexes will be fully irrigated and this will form part of an overall programme to upgrade the irrigation system on the golf course. Finally, there is the opportunity to develop an ecologically sensitive landscaping plan with new tree planting, species rich grasslands and wildflower areas all providing habitat for local fauna and flora.