

e-par Testimonials



Bargara Golf Course Superintendent Wayne Marshall - Our golf course on the Fraser Coast in Queensland is one of the finest public courses north of Brisbane. Home to Course Superintendent Wayne Marshall, and winner of Golf Course Superintendents Association of Queensland 2008 Environment Award, Bargara Golf Club is situated metres from the beach on the southern tip of the environmentally sensitive Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

With a firm commitment to environmental stewardship, it was a simple decision to join the AGCSA Golf Environment Initiative. I wanted an easy to follow system, one that met international standards, was golf specific and importantly cost effective. The EMS system I chose was e-par. You really don't know your property as well as you think until you go through the E-Par Aspects and Impacts workbook. It helps you scrutinise your entire maintenance operations and bring it to a new level. Building the E-Par system and being involved with the system helped me understand how environmental laws apply to Bargara Golf Club. Recently I able to use the e-par documentation to prove to regulatory authorities that our club was not the source of an Algal outbreak under investigation. The legal terminology within e-par makes sense and I now have a greater level of confidence that the club has good standing with the local community, regulator and council.



Gold Coast Burleigh Golf Club Superintendent Jeff Gambin – President AGCSA -Our course is located in the heart of the magnificent Gold Coast in Queensland, Australia. In the spring of 2006, we decided to become a member of the AGCSA Environment Initiative and implement the E-Par Environmental Management System (EMS), The EMS utilises and establishes a systematic approach to addressing the environmental concerns associated with golf course maintenance at Gold Coast Burleigh Golf Club.

“How could you afford not to be a member of the AGCSA Golf Environment Initiative in today's current climate of Environmental Awareness and Regulation, not to mention the industry's fabulous green logo for all clubs to use on marketing material to show the clubs commitment to environmental management. The EMS is an integral part of modern day management practices required to maintain high quality sustainable golf clubs whilst raising the profile of the Golf industry within the community.”



Twin Creeks Golf and Country Club Superintendent Phil Beal- Twin Creeks is one of Sydney's premier private golf clubs. The 18 hole, par 72 championship private golf course has been designed to excite and challenge all levels of golfers whilst providing a stimulating environment in which to play. Against the stunning backdrop of existing woodland, meticulously planned landscaping provides a combination of manicured tees, greens and fairways and introduced native grasses for contrast. Lakes, ponds and wetlands also complement the existing woodland and surrounding environment.

With all of the environmental challenges golf course superintendents deal with on a daily basis I wouldn't be comfortable managing Twin Creeks for the people that own this club without the E-Par Environmental Management System. The resources that are available to assist me are many. The system is so user friendly that our 3rd year apprentice Anthony Powell has been involved in building our EMS during a period where he could only perform light duties due to injury.

The E-Par EMS provides golf course superintendents with an awareness of how their maintenance practices affect the environment and provides the framework to minimize environmental impacts on their golf courses. E-Par provides the golf course Superintendent with updated laws and regulations and highlights other areas of concern where, over time, we can alter our maintenance practices to lessen our environmental impacts.

We have also taken advantage of e-par's support via the Go-To online meeting tool. We organised an on-line meeting with Dean Scullion (E-Par). Once we downloaded the link we were able to view Dean's computer screen and ask questions and work on our EMS live. We found the support helped get us through some of the more difficult parts of the EMS.

