## Golf Management Made Easy January 1, 2015





J.J. Keegan, Managing Principal



## J. J. KEEGAN — WHY: MY PASSION IS CREATE VALUE FOR GOLFERS ON A FOUNDATION



- Experience: Managing Principal Golf Strategist 10 years including 7 months as Interim GM operating golf course in Dallas, TX. CEO Fairway Systems 16 years (450 golf courses, 7 countries, all major municipalities);
- Sample of 2014 Client Engagements: Cities of Arlington, Litchfield, Louisville, Sioux Falls, Virginia Beach; Cog Hill, MacDonald Island Park, Minneapolis Park Board, Talking Stick Resort, Trilogy
- Memberships: CMAA inactive (305 hours), NGF, GCSAA

THAT OPTIMIZES THE FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE OF A GOLF COURSE.

- Speaker: NGCOA Canada, Clemson PGM, NGCOA, GCSAA, NRPA
- Webinar Host: Clemson University, Keiser College, Holland College, Golf Academy, Professional Golfers Career College, University of Wisconsin
- Golf Magazine Panelist: Visited 4,000+ golf courses in 46 of the 203 countries, played 1,600+ of the world's 33,000 courses.
- Education: BBA TCU, MBA University of Michigan
- Licensing: CPA, inactive
- Author: "Wkh框xvbhvv推进rd推kdwbth本xwkbnbj?" (A Basic Primer) 16 countries, 4,400+ copies sold, 15 Colleges and Universities
- ♦ Author: "Wikh 提xvlqhvv #ri#Jroi=#Ek|B#KrzB#ZkdvBõ#Whdvrqhg#Surihvvlrqdov,#-
- Panelist: Golf Magazine Top 100 Golf Courses in the World
- ♦ Accomplishments: Boosting EBITDA by > 12% of gross revenue



Our Goal for Today is to Build a Foundation For You To Have a Fabulous 2015

# DID YOU KNOW









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In the beginner's mind there are many possibilities, in the expert's mind there are few.

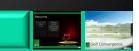
—Shunryu Suzuki

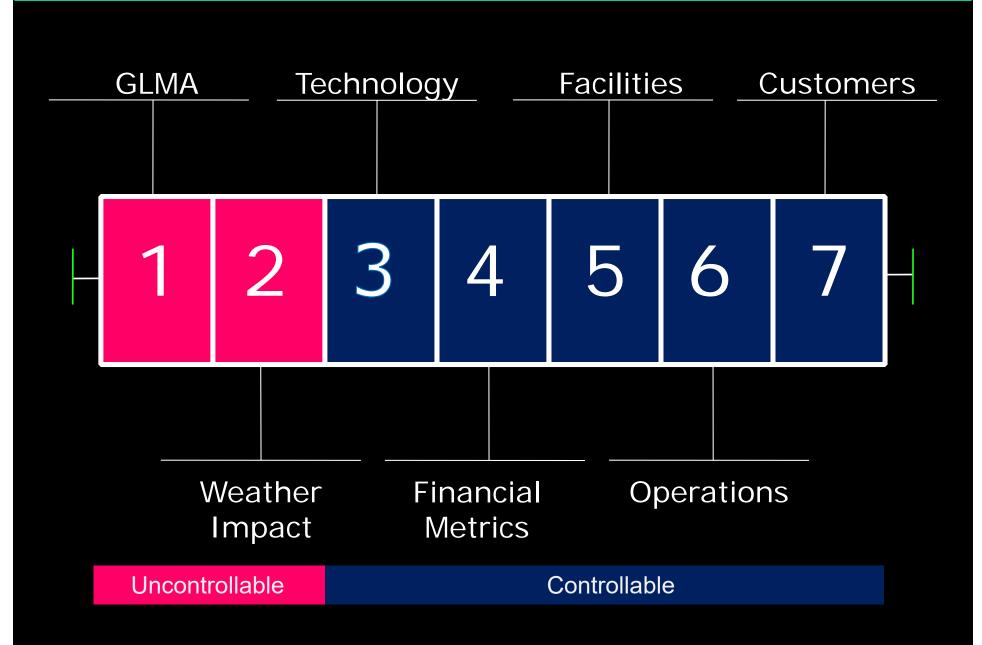


**Heuristic** (<u>/hjuˈrɪstɨk/</u>; <u>Greek</u>: "Εὑρίσκω", **"find"** or **"discover"**)

Refers to experience-based techniques for problem solving, learning, and discovery that find a solution which is not guaranteed to be optimal, but good enough for a given set of goals.

Where the exhaustive search is impractical, heuristic methods are used to speed up the process of finding a satisfactory solution via mental shortcuts to ease the cognitive load of making a decision.







STRATEGIC TEMPLATES	
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0	Strategic Planning	Web based survey	Entry	These pre-test templates ask 40 questions to ascertain the level of the respondent's knowledge of the business of golf. Your answers can be compared to a national survey.
1	A Geographic Local Market Analysis	Excel	Intermediate	Demographic profile (age, income, ethnicity & population density) contrasts your course with the golf courses within 30 miles of yours to determine strategic potential.
1	Vision – Private Golf Course	PowerPoint	Entry	Promises versus performance. This templates helps a <b>private club</b> determine if its brand promise is at the platinum (5-star), gold (4-star), silver (3-star, bronze (2-star) or steel (1-star).
1	Vision – Public Golf Course	PowerPoint	Entry	Promises versus performance. This template helps a <b>public course</b> (daily fee, municipal, or resort) determine if its brand promise is at the platinum (5-star), gold (4-star), silver (3-star, bronze (2-star) or steel (1-star).
2	Weather Playable Days Calculation	Excel	Intermediate	Is your facility under- or over-performing in relationship to the number of golf playable days? This template will help you measure that benchmark.



TACTICAL TEMPLATES						
3	Technology Integration Checkpoint	Excel	Intermediate	How are you leveraging technology to boost your revenue? This template grades your use of technology from 1st grade to the PhD level.		
4	Cash Flow Forecast – 5 Years – Daily Fee/Municipal	Excel	Advanced	The operation of a daily fee or a municipal golf course can be forecast based on 60 controllable variables. This worksheet facilitates sensitivity analysis to quickly project revenues, income, and expenses for the next 5 years for daily fee and municipal golf courses.		
4	Cash Flow Forecast – 5 Years – Resort	Excel	Advanced	The operation of a <b>resort</b> can be forecast based on <b>75 controllable variables</b> . This worksheet facilitates sensitivity analysis to quickly project revenues, income, and expenses for the next 5 years for resort golf courses.		
4	Cash Flow Forecast – 5 Years – Resort	Excel	Advanced	The operation of a <b>private club</b> can be forecast based on <b>50 controllable variables</b> . This worksheet facilitates sensitivity analysis to quickly project revenues, income, and expenses for the next 5 years for private club courses.		



4	Green Fee Calculator – Complex: Quantitative	Excel	Advanced	There is a relationship between 18 weekend, weekday, 9 holes, morning, afternoon, senior, and junior green fee rates. This template confirms those interrelationships to ensure all of your prices are "in balance" for the fees posted.
4	Green Fee Calculator – Simple: Qualitative	PowerPoint	Intermediate	What is the correct green fee price? The slope rating, the strategic elements, conditioning, grass texture, ambience; the amenities provided are the variables that should determine price.
4	Green Fee Yield  - Revenue  Modeling  Exercise	Excel	Intermediate	The impact on future revenues from changes in rounds and associated yields from the top revenue categories are modeled to measure the impact of potential rate changes.
4	Season Pass – Fair Fee	Excel	Beginner	Utilizing weather-playable days, anticipated rounds the season pass holder will play during the year, and an appropriate discount, determine the fair price to assess.
4-	Sensitivity Pass Analysis	Excel	Intermediate	What is the impact of changing the season pass price on total revenues, considering the golfers that will choose to merely pay-as-they-go? This template facilitates calculating the revenue impact of price changes and the number of subscribers.



		OP	ERATIONAL TEMPLATES	
5	Golf Course Budget/Business Plan Template	Excel	Advanced	Golf course maintenance is a considerable expense, often accounting for 40%-60% or more of gross income. The step-by-step budget process helps to build a business plan as well as an excellent, goal-based golf course maintenance operation budget.
5	Step 5 - Deferred Capital Expenditures Template	Excel	Entry	There are 14 depreciable capital components that comprise a golf course. This spreadsheet will help you determine the annual capital allocation that should be in reserve and the aggregate deferred component.
5	Step 5 - Equipment Template	Excel	Advanced	There are 44 different pieces of equipment required to properly maintain the course. This worksheet calculates the value of equipment on hand, capital reserves required and components that should be acquired.
5	Labor/Task Analysis	Excel	Intermediate	Labor has an impact of great proportions on any aspect of the golf operation; proper allocation of resources must be top-of-mind. This template will allocate sensibly labor resources and report back costs and hours



5	Step 5 - Maintenance – Labor Hour Templates	Excel	Advanced	A superintendent engages in 40 separate tasks that vary by day, week, season, or annually. This worksheet calculates the labor hours required annually to maintain a golf course and provides a comparison to actual labor expended.
5	Step 5 - Weekly Golf Maintenance Labor Scheduler	Excel	Advanced	By keeping track of the hours required per week, their cost, and who should be assigned the tasks at hand, this worksheet aids the superintendent in scheduling the week ahead.
6	Step 6 –Golf Course Checklist – Secret Shopper Service	Excel	Entry	On the assembly line of golf, there are 111 customer touch points that contribute to the player's perception of value. This checklist provides guidance in measuring the experience provided at your golf course.
7	Step 7 – Golfer Survey – Loyalty and Preference	Excel	Entry	There are 30 questions that a customer survey should include. Use of this document will help your golf course craft an effective survey to ensure insightful responses.



### RICK LUCAS, PGA, DIRECTOR OF PROFESSIONAL GOLF MANAGEMENT – CLEMSON UNIVERSITY



Rick Lucas, Director of the PGM Program at Clemson University, received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration at Old Dominion University and his MBA at Virginia Commonwealth University.

Currently, he is working on his doctorate in Career and Technology Education. Mr. Lucas has over 20 years experience in the golf industry with extensive knowledge in management of golf programs and operations.

His positions in the golf industry have included: assistant professional, teaching coordinator, head golf professional, and general manager at both public and private facilities. Some career highlights include scoring in the top 5% in Business School I & II and winning the Philadelphia Assistant Association's Southern Championship.







## Dissertation Title

 Empirical study of the effectiveness, reliability, relevancy, and development of a golf management system and tools designed to educate golf course managers towards completing strategic, tactical, and operational plans to improve the financial performance of golf facilities.



## Perceptions to Support Study

Observation #1 - You are working too hard on the wrong things that make little difference.

Observation #2 - There must be key measurements that accurately forecast the potential of your facility.

Observation #3 – Weather reporting and forecasting is poor.

Observation #4 - The adoption of technology is template based with little understanding of its power.

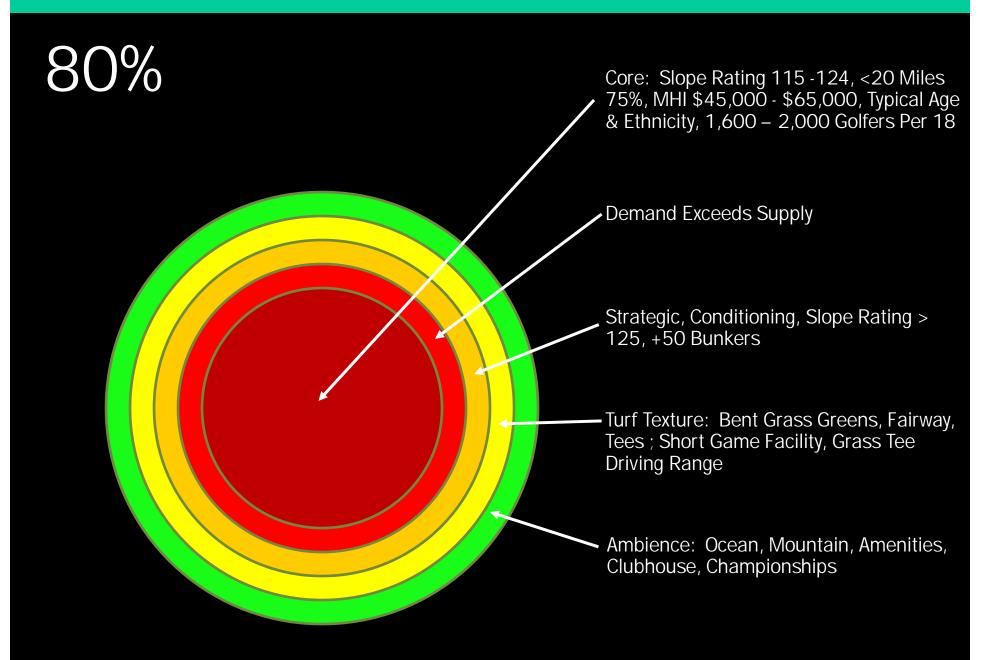
Observation #5 – Benchmarking to meaningful competitive statistics is haphazard.

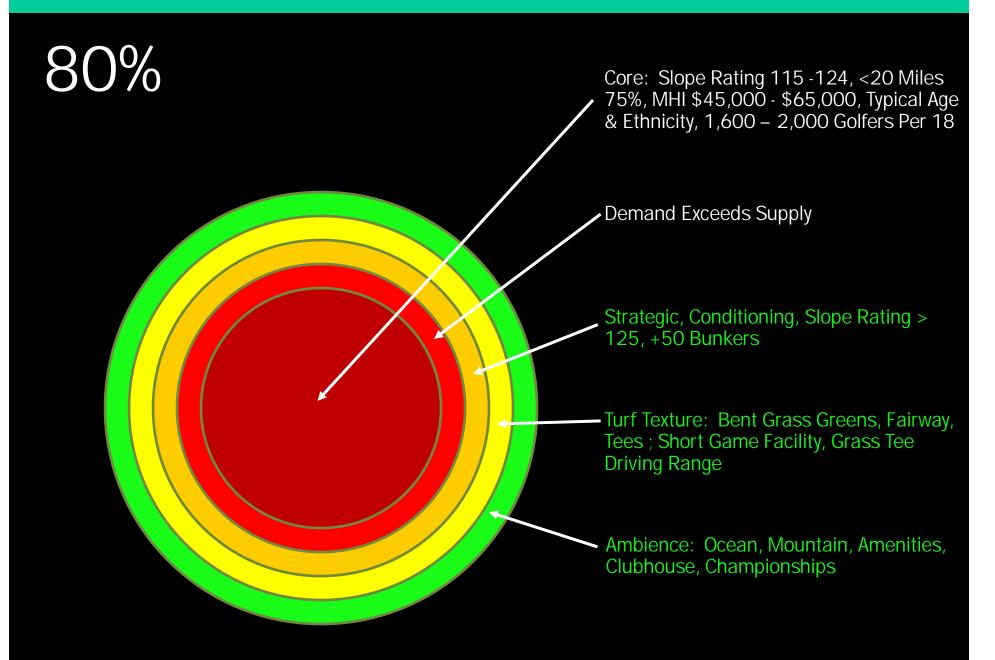
Observation #6 - Capital reserves are underfunded.

Observation #7 – Courses operate with "illusory superiority" thinking that their customers are loyal when they are not.

Observation #8 – Third parties are lowering rates and disintermediating customers.















**Experience = Net Income + Capital Invt.** 







## Green Fee Should Equal

.0001% of Maintenance Budget

Average Municipal Budget \$450,000

Average Green Fee = \$45



## Green Fee Should Equal

.00084% of Median Household Income

Average Median Household Income: \$53,214

Average Green Fee: \$45.05



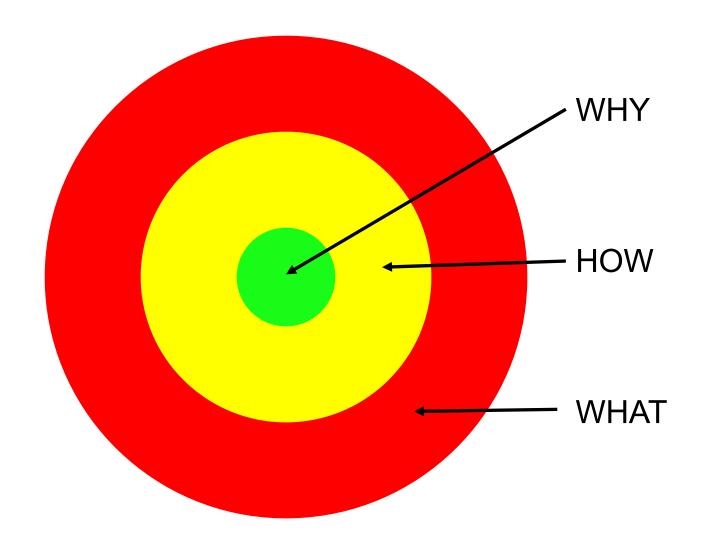
## So, what does it all mean?



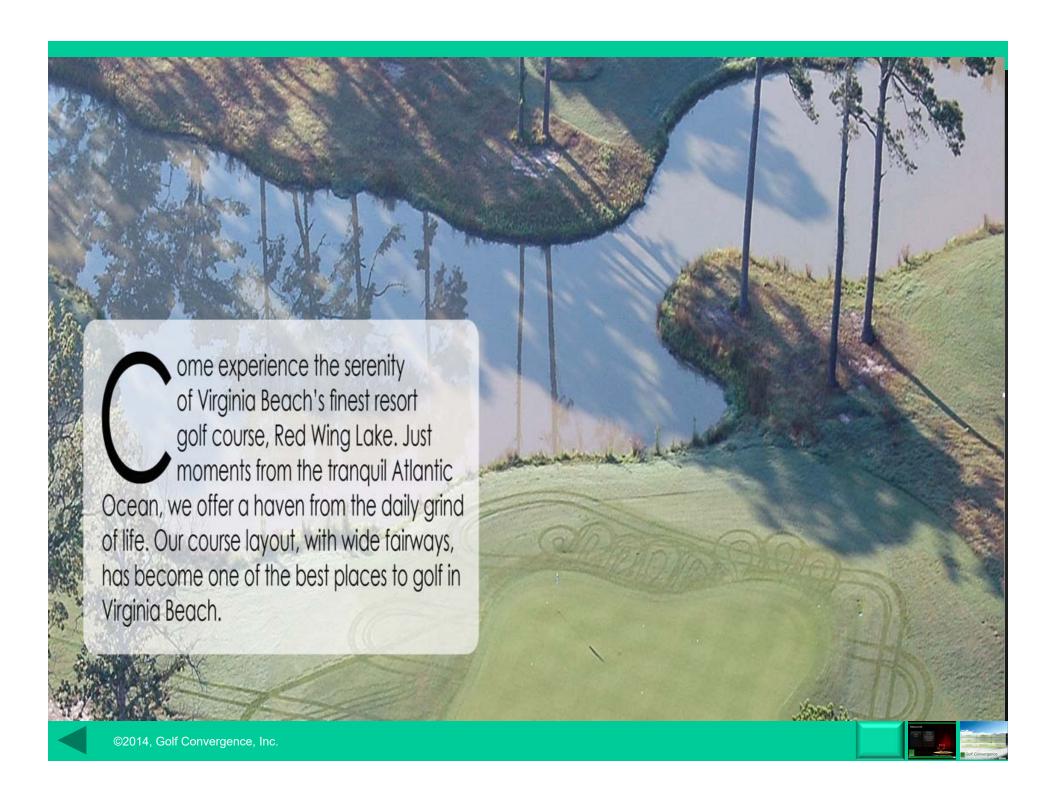


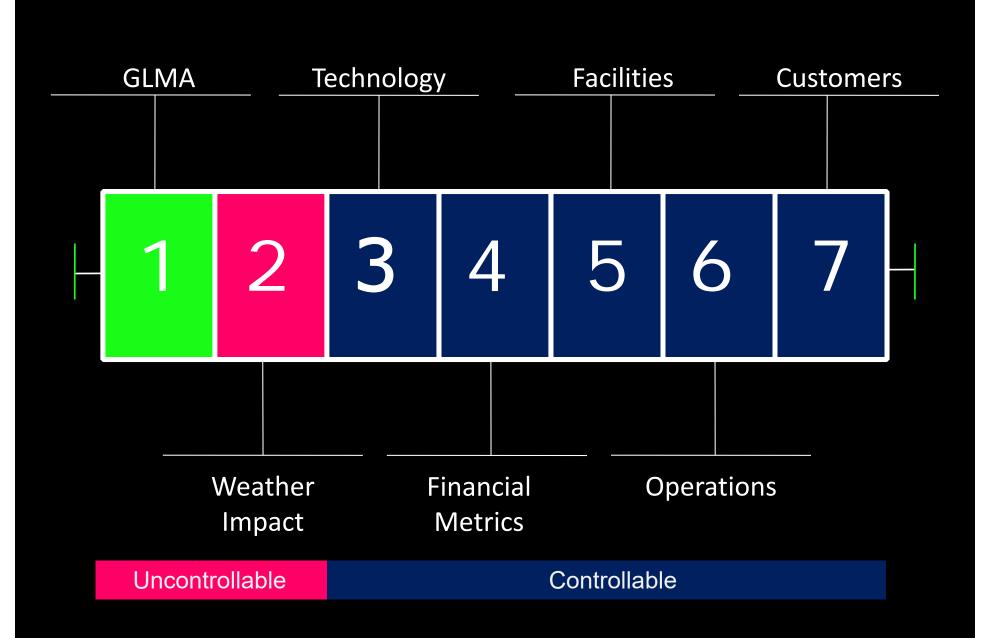


#### The Golden Circle of Communication™: Simon Sinek









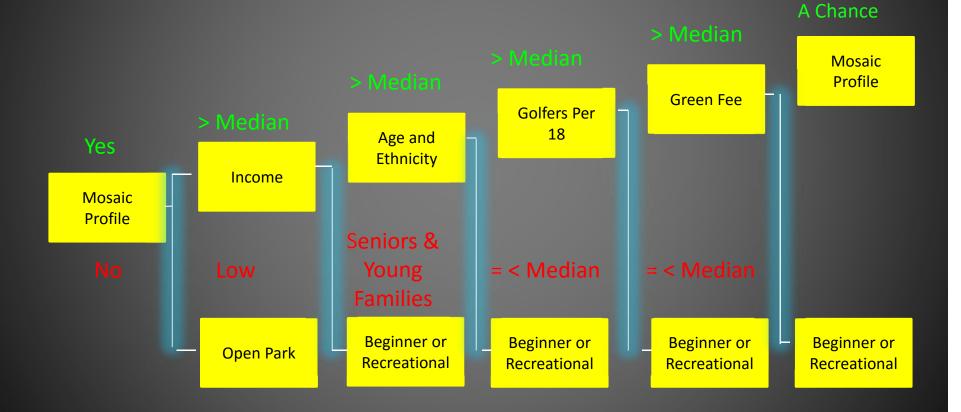




## Six Numbers Define the Potential of Your Golf Facility

## The Critical Path

#### The Barriers to A Fiscally Sustainable Championship Golf Course



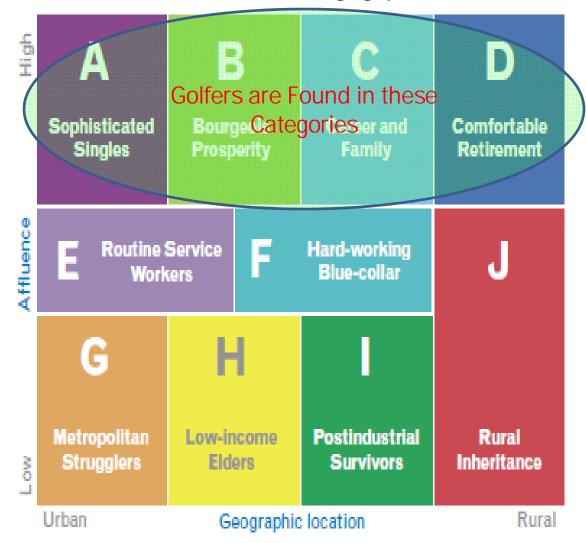
You Might Have

#### Mosaic Global

Mosaic USA is part of a global segmentation network that classifies more than 1 billion people worldwide. Organizations leverage the Mosaic Global network of more than 30 countries to unify consumer definitions around a common customer language.

Experian Marketing Services
enables marketers to tap into Mosaic
Global's 10 distinct groups, which
share common characteristics,
motivations and consumer
preferences. Using highly localized
statistics and the simple proposition
that the world's cities share common
patterns of residential segregation,
the 10 Mosaic Global groups are
consistent across countries.

The Mosaic Global groups are mapped against two dimensions: affluence and geographic location.







	, Mountain	Don Vellmer, FSU					Pine Meadow, Mundelein, IL	Cedar Creek - San Antonio
	10 Miles	10 Miles	5 Miles	10 Miles	15 Miles	10 Miles	10 Miles	5 Miles
Top 4 Rating	-17.00%	-7.90%	40.30%	16.20%	13.10%	-22.10%	37.60%	31.90%
Sophisticated Singles	-2.90%	1.00%	12.90%	7.00%	5.10%	-2.60%	5.10%	3.20%
Bourgeois Prosperity	-6.50%	-1.30%	13.50%	9.40%	7.30%	-10.60%	21.50%	12.80%
Career and Family	-12.70%	-3.90%	19.80%	5.10%	5.70%	-9.50%	12.70%	21.30%
Comfortable Retirement	5.10%	-3.70%	-5.90%	-5.30%	-5.00%	0.60%	-1.70%	5 -5.40%
Routine Service Workers	-14.90%	-6.50%	-6.00%	-2.90%	2.00%	-14.00%	0.10%	3.80%
Hard Working Blue Collar	-3.80%		-10.40%	1.30%				
Metropolitan Strugglers	-16.20%		-9.70%	-0.20%				
Low Income Elders	-1.40%							
Post Industrial Survivors	17.50%	1.20%	-7.10%	-6.90%	-6.80%	3.60%	-6.50%	-6.70%
Rural Inheritance	35.70%		-7.40%	-7.40%				

Management	Course Name	Miles	Income	Age	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Slope Rating	Golfers
Alamo Trail	Cedar Creek	5	\$76,890	31.3	41.50%	6.50%	6.50%	132	2,298
City of Brooklyn Park	Edinburgh	10	\$63,595	36.1	5.50%	12.40%	7.30%	141	4,129
City of Charlotte	Renaissance Park	5	\$47,870	34.1	22.70%	38.40%	3.50%	126	3,897
City of Charlotte	Charles T. Myers	5	\$49,410	34.1	17.10%	32.30%	4.20%	120	3,843
City of Columbus	Champions	5	\$41,655	32.9	5.70%	30.00%	4.20%	127	8,584
City of Columbus	Turnberry	5	\$53,937	34.5	4.50%	30.40%	2.10%	124	4,639
Crystal Mountain Resort	Highlands	10	\$41,800	45.9	2.10%	0.50%	0.10%	128	379
Irvine Company	Oak Creek	5	\$90,186	36	14.30%	1.90%	32.70%	133	3,848
Irvine Company	Oak Creek	10	\$80,752	35.6	36.60%	1.60%	15.90%	133	3,680
Jemsek Family	Pine Meadow	10	\$87,833	40.1	13.70%	2.90%	9.20%	138	1,524
Western Illinois	Harry Mussatto	10	\$31,694	28.2	2.90%	6.20%	2.20%	133	742

	Em	erald Gree	ens	Fox Hills			Shanty Creek		
	5	10	20	5	10	20	5	10	20
Total	-13.10%	-10.10%	-3.30%	54.90%	30.30%	14.90%	4.10%	-7.00%	1.00%
Sophisticated Singles	-2.90%	-2.90%	-2.50%	-2.40%	2.10%	0.60%	-2.90%	-2.90%	-2.90%
Bourgeois Prosperity	5.30%	-1.40%	2.50%	35.20%	16.10%	10.20%	9.50%	2.30%	8.20%
Career and Family	-9.80%	-5.50%	-2.70%	26.60%	13.00%	4.20%	-9.90%	-11.00%	-8.00%
Comfortable Retirement	-5.70%	-0.30%	-0.60%	-4.50%	-0.90%	-0.10%	7.40%	4.60%	3.70%
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Low Income Elders	-3.10%	-2.40%	-2.30%	-3.00%	-1.20%	-1.30%	3.00%	1.50%	0.90%
Post Industrial Survivors	11.60%	7.10%	4.60%	-6.10%	-5.20%	-4.00%	17.70%	14.20%	7.40%
Rural Inheritance	6.90%	8.00%	11.60%	-7.10%	-7.30%	-7.10%	11.30%	24.40%	18.80%



Course Name	Miles	Income	Age	Hispanic	Black	Asian	Slope Rating	Golfers/18
Emerald	5	\$62,207	43.30	2.60	0.40	0.20	142	341
Emerald	10	\$52,219	40.80	4.20	0.70	0.30	142	1,621
Fox Hill	5	\$95,778	42.90	2.60	3.50	9.70	137	663
Fox Hill	10	\$65,710	36.70	3.40	10.50	9.80	137	1,954
Shanty Creek	5	45,138	52.50	1.70	0.10	0.40	137	107
Shanty Creek	10	43,138	48.10	1.60	0.10	0.20	137	193

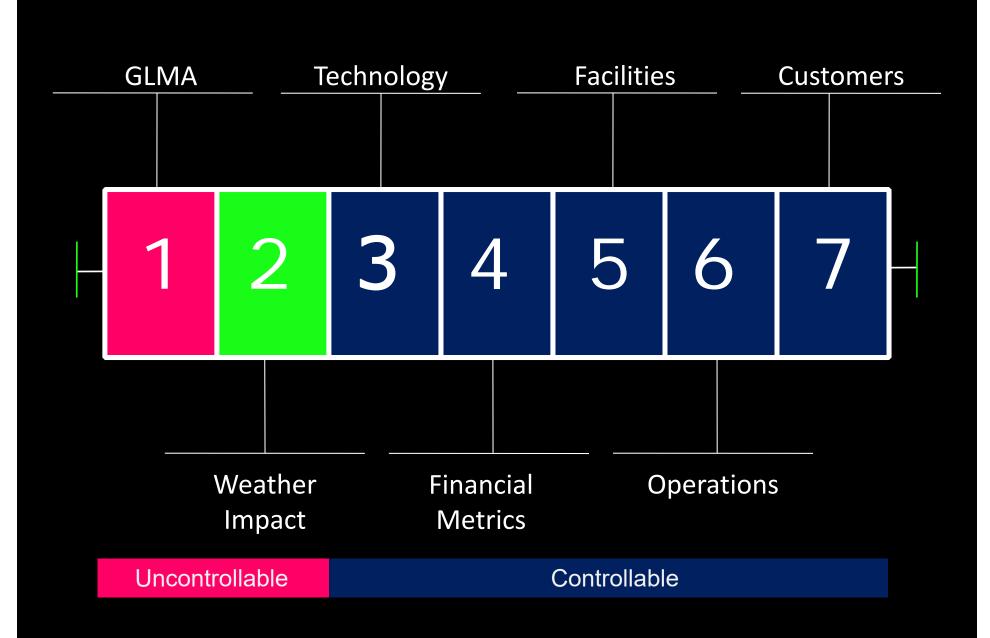
#### **MOSAIC ANALYSIS**

MOSAIC	Initial Reaction	Slope Rating	Highest Price	2.5	5	10
Meadowbrook	Wrong Product	125	40	-28.80%	-20.50%	-8.40%
Pecan Valley - Hills	Good Potential	128	38	17.90%	9.10%	-5.80%
Pecan Valley - River	Good Potential	126	45	17.90%	9.10%	-5.80%
Rockwood	Maybe	114	35	-24.70%	-15.70%	-10.30%
Sycamore Creek	Maybe	119	28	-30.00%	-24.50%	-10.30%

#### Age, Income, Ethnicity

	Mileage	Meadowbrook	Pecan Valley	Rockwood	Sycamore Creek
Conclusion		Close	Looking Good	Possible	Close
Age	2.50	89	108	85	84
Age	5.00	89	103	86	83
Age	10.00	91	91	88	90
Income	2.50	69	107	73	57
Income	5.00	74	104	76	67
Income	10.00	90	92	88	89
Ethnicity - Hispanic	2.50	205	75	401	299
Ethnicity - Hispanic	5.00	216	116	299	303
Ethnicity - Hispanic	10.00	199	190	217	202
Ethnicity - African American	2.50	311	97	31	233
Ethnicity - African American	5.00	231	128	72	169
Ethnicity - African American	10.00	122	130	117	132
Golfer/18	2.50	1,607	737	1,600	1,736
Golfer/18	5.00	2,241	1,895	1,709	2,298
Golfer/18	10.00	3,195	2,309	2,749	2,782







# Historical Weather Reporting & Leveraging Weather Forecasting is an Underutilized resource



#### Weather matters to ALL golf course operators

"How many days over the next 2 weeks will it rain?"

"When should I chose to run promotions?"

"How has weather impacted my sales in the past?"

"How many golf playable days will I have in the next 14 days?"

it's always on your mind!

"Will it be too hot for people to golf?"

"How many employees will I need to schedule?"

"How will the weather impact my business this week?"

"Will mother nature take care of my course watering needs?"



hot cold snow wet dry windy

#### The Only Accurate 11-Month Ahead Forecast with Business Analytics

What would you do differently in your business and your life if you knew the weather months in advance? Try it Now!

Enter a location ...





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Small Business

Financial Services

Welcome to weathertrends360, a complete, global, web solution to help retailers and suppliers capitalize on the weather and its influence on sales and marketing plans up to a year ahead.

Learn how to become PROACTIVE vs REACTIVE with the weather in every phase of your business - how much inventory to buy/produce, where to allocate more/less, when to run weather-optimized advertising/marketing campaigns weathertrends360 can help you determine all of this in minutes!



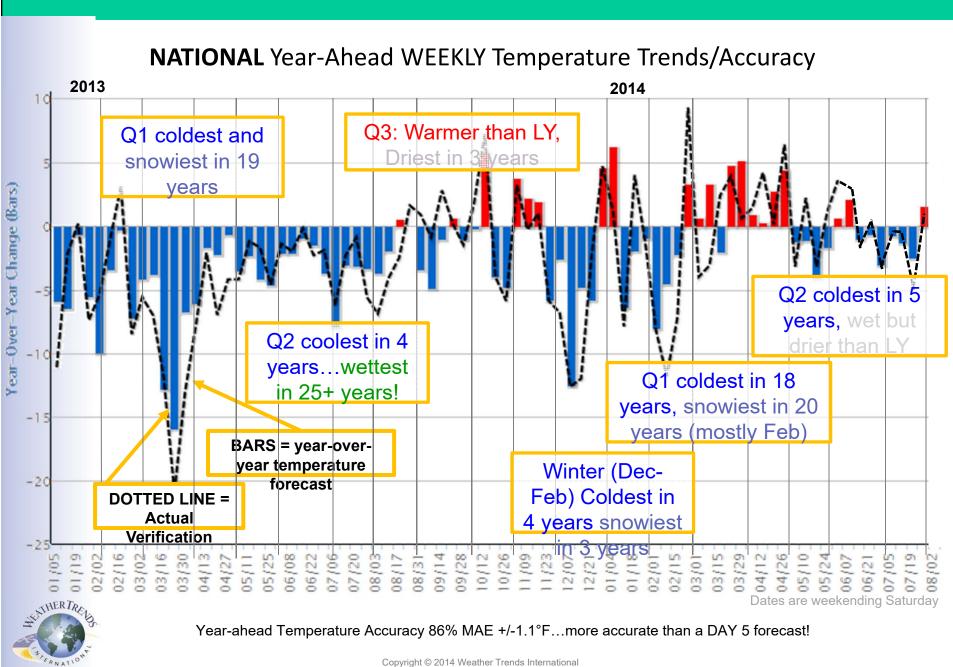
Companies who depend on weathertrends360





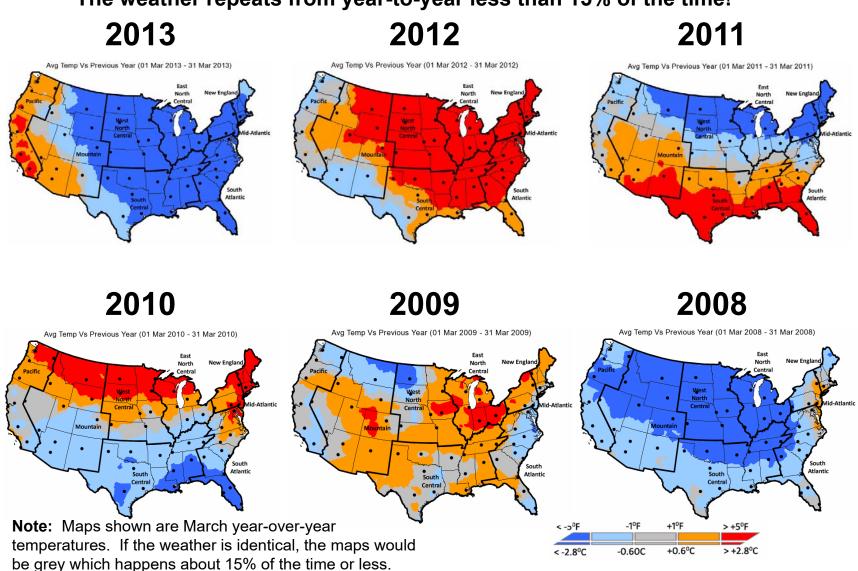






#### **Volatile Weather = MAJOR BUSINESS RISK!**

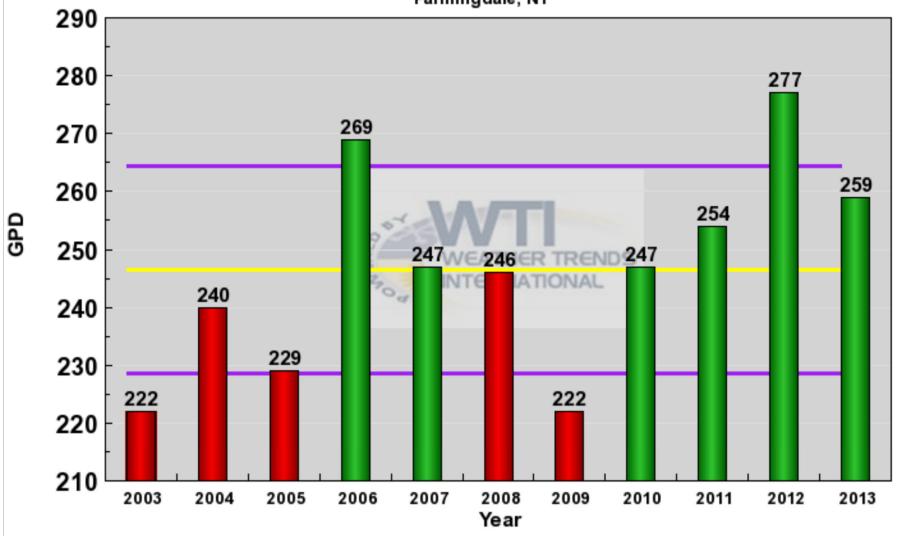
The weather repeats from year-to-year less than 15% of the time!





#### **Golf Playable Days**

Farmingdale, NY



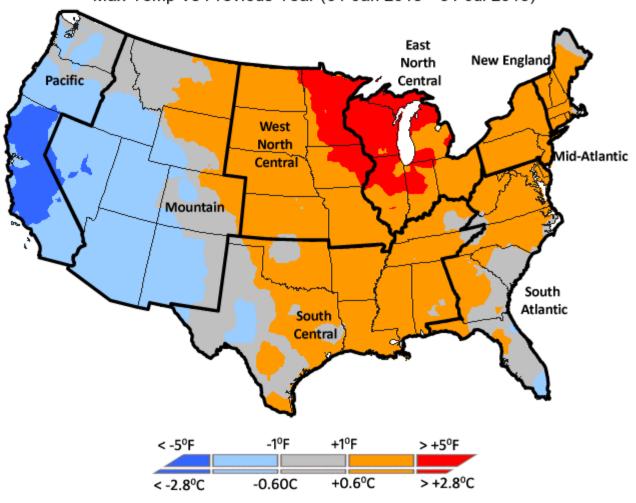
Course		Departure From		
	Golf Playable Rounds	Average	REVPAR	Revenue Exposure
Week 1 (Starting 2014-09-15)				
Arlington Ridge	1,408	-123		
Balcones	1,760	65		
Bay Hill	1,888	122		
Buffalo	1,632	76		
Columbus	1,760	73		
Dallas	1,696	115		
Dublin	1,728	97		
Eagle Landing	1,216	-290		
Eagle Ridge	1,792	313		
Harbor Links	1,920	197		
Houston	1,824	77		
Las Vegas	1,984	71		
Legends Resort	640	-1,027		
Los Angeles	2,016	86		
Minebrook	1,824	189		
New York	1,920	219		
Ocean Breeze	1,344	-129		
Orlando (Disney)	1,408	-118		
Oronoque	1,888	179		
Palm Beach	1,440	137		
Palm Springs	1,824	125		
Rhodes Ranch	1,888	131		
Ridgeview Ranch	1,984	195		
Riverchase	1,920	170		
San Diego	1,440	-502		
San Francisco	2,016	215		
SilverHorn	1,792			
Southwyck	1,824			
Stone Creek	1,856			
The Orchards	1,696			
The Tides	1,728			



## 2015 Forecast

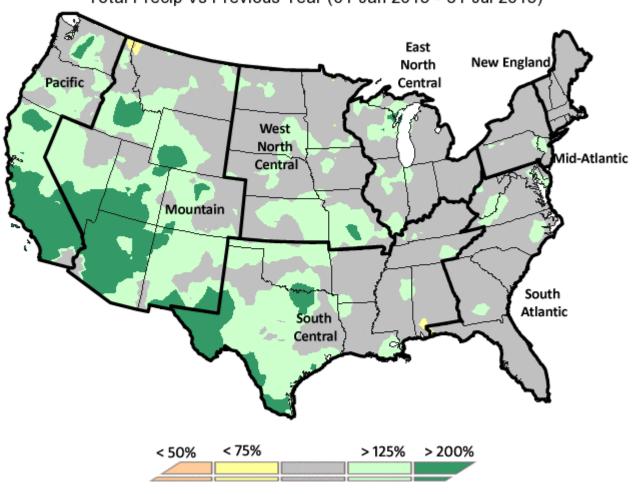
#### **2015 Year-Ahead Forecast**

Max Temp Vs Previous Year (01 Jan 2015 - 31 Jul 2015)



#### **2015 Year-Ahead Forecast**

Total Precip Vs Previous Year (01 Jan 2015 - 31 Jul 2015)

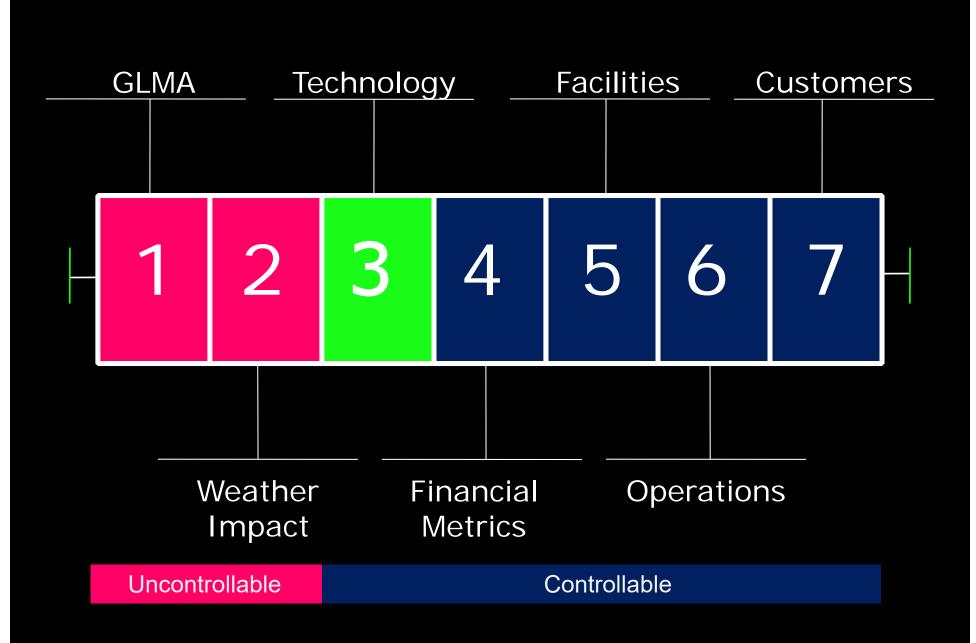


#### Controllable

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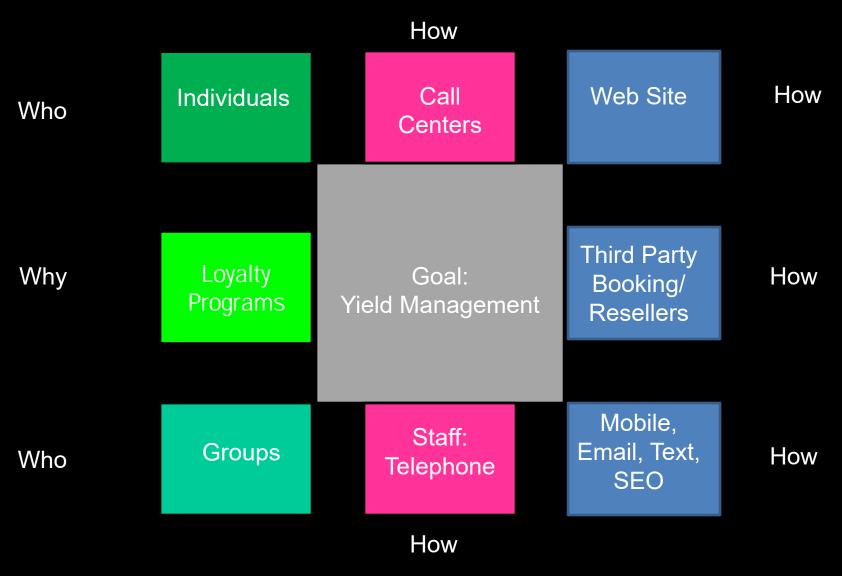


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Technology is underutilized by nearly all golf courses. The web site design of 98% of all golf courses is poor; thus yield per round is not optimized.



#### Numerous Channels to Book Revenue

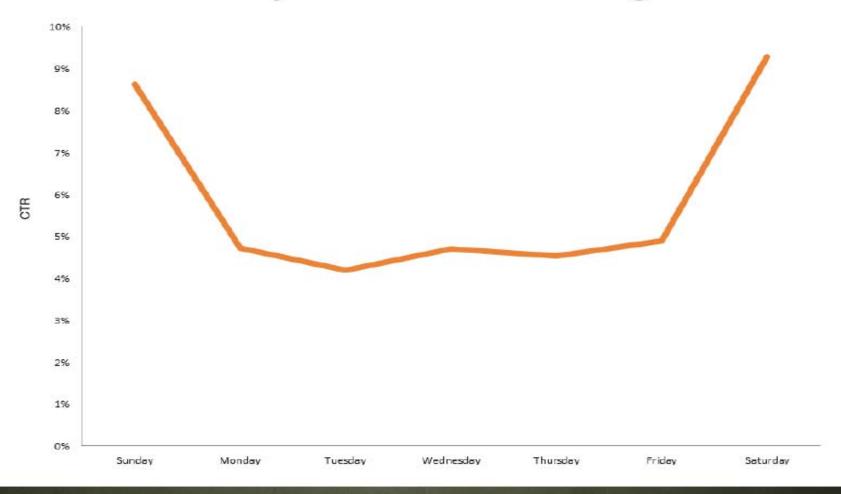




## Marketing Options Are Clear **Email Database** Website **Twitter** Facebook or **Google Circles** You Tube Linked In

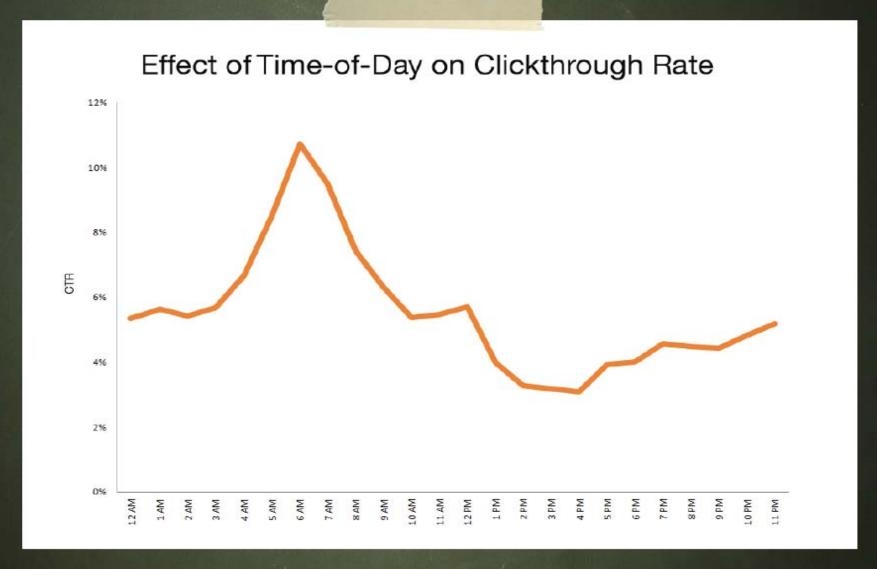


#### Effect of Day-of-Week on Clickthrough Rate



Source: Dan Zarrella, Social Media Scientist, Hubspot, "The Science of Email Marketing"





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### Neshanic Valley Golf Course

TEE TIME BOOKING









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News Releases



SITE MAP

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- AWARDS Aeration Schedule
- Pro-Celebrity Tournament Video
- Championship Course Schedules

Outing Schedule





POWERED BY ACTIVE

Home Register

Reserve

Modify/Cancel

At the moment there are a few problems within the system. If you are unable to complete a reservation, or modify or cancel an existing reservation, please call the course of your choice and they will help you. Sorry for the inconvenience. READY TO BOOK YOUR TEE TIMES? FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS:

#### Step 1 Create an Account

#### Step 2 Book your Tee Times

#### Step 3 Manage your Tee Times

- Click on Register
- Fill out form
- Submit form
- Credit Card will be used to hold Reservations

Do not follow this step if you purchased a subscription to the Tee Time Reservation Service. Go directly to Step 2.

- Click on Reserve
- · Log In
- Book your tee times

If you have purchased a subscription to the Tee Time Reservation Service, use your member card# as your User ID# and type "password" as the Password to initially sign in. Once in your record you may create a new password in Update Profile.

- Click on <u>Modify / Cancel</u>
- No-Show No-Call may be charged a fee

After reserving a tee time you will receive an email confirmation to be kept for your records.

#### FORGOT YOUR PASSWORD? Click here!

Questions? Check out our FAO or call the Golf Operations Office at (908) 369-1458 X421.

#### **Frequently Asked Questions:**

How do I pay?

Fees will be charged upon check-in at the golf shop on the day of booking.

What is the course check-in policy?

Guests must check in at the golf shop 20 minutes prior to reserved start time. Failure to check in on time may result in the forfeiture of your position and your group's reserved tee time.

What if I need to cancel a tee time?

To review, modify or cancel your booked tee time, call or logon to your account at any time.

How far in advance can I reserve tee time?

If you purchased a subscription to the Tee Time Reservation Service, tee times may be reserved one week in advance. For 1-day in advance or same day reservations, you may call the golf shop.

What if I forget my Password?

If you forget your password, Click here!

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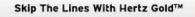
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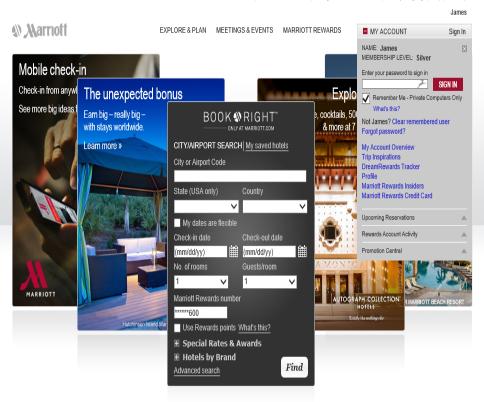




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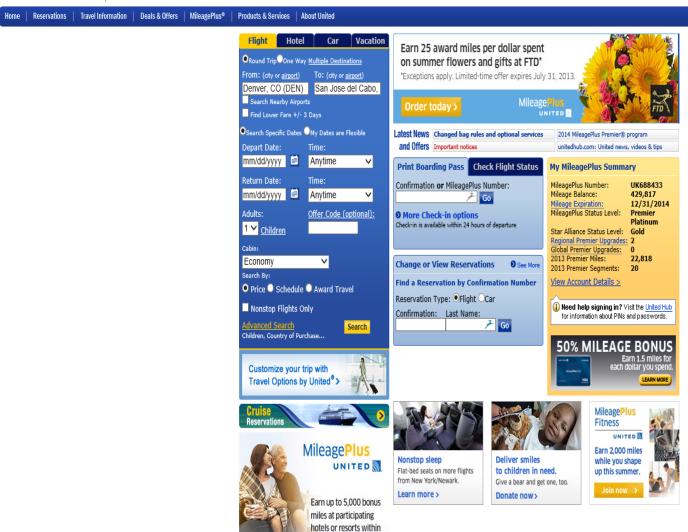
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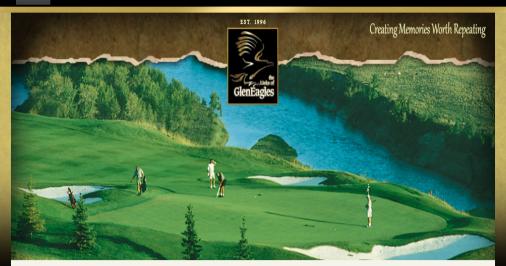
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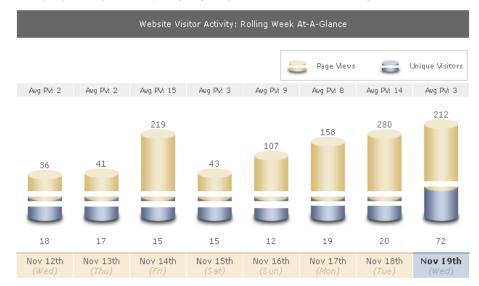
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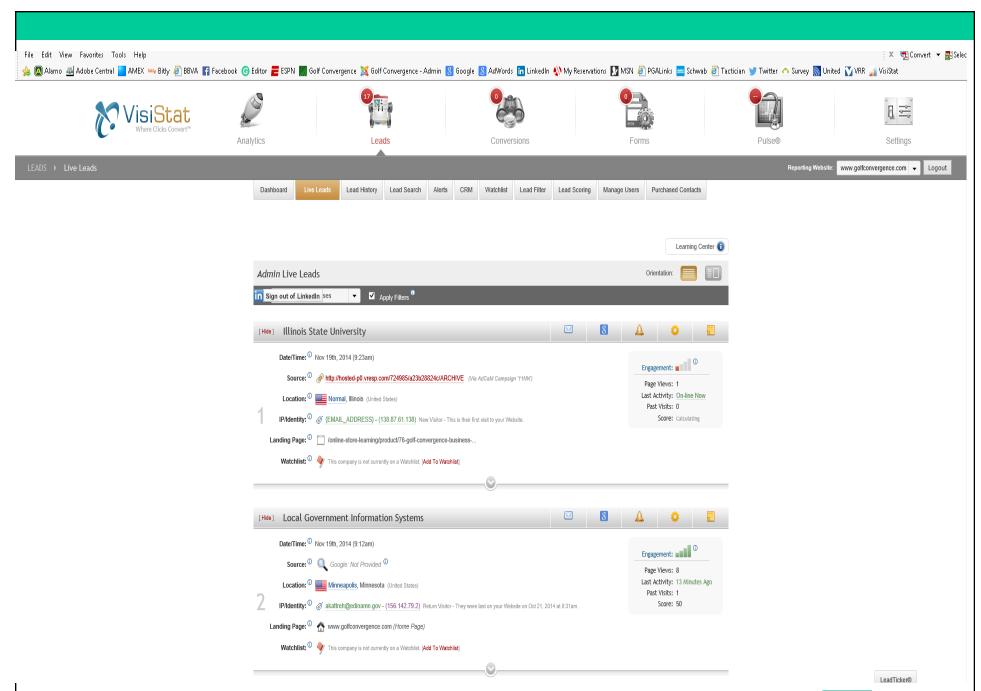




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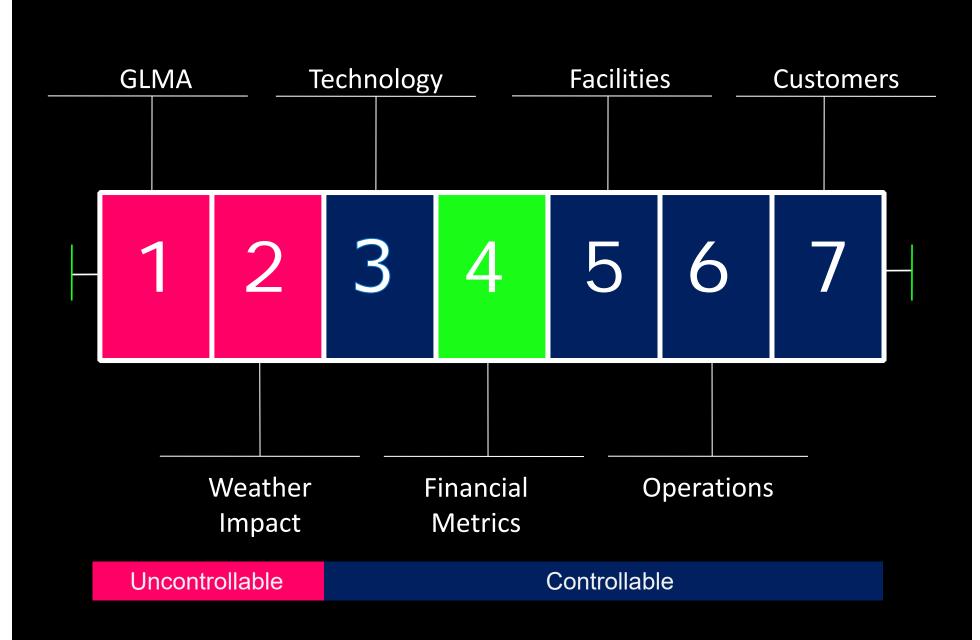
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#### Financial Performance Municipal Golf Courses vs. Daily Fee

	Platinum Top 10%	Gold Top 25%	Silver Median	Steel - Bottom 25%					
MUNICIPALITIES									
Rounds Played	50,000	40,000	30,000	22,865					
Full Time Employees	> 20	>11	> 6	> 5					
Total Revenues	\$1,860,000	\$1,450,000	\$822,000	512,500					
EBITDA	1,000,000	\$572,541	\$142,406	58,000					
	ALL GOLF COURSES								
Rounds Played	40,000	30,400	22,000	15,000					
Full Time Employees	58	30	14	6					
Total Revenues	\$4,500,000	\$2,500,000	\$1,375,000	\$800,000					
EBITDA	\$1,295,777	\$613,419	\$205,435	\$73,000					

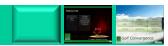
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PerformanceTrak At-a-Glance - September 2014									
September 2014 Highlights	September 2014 <sup>1</sup>	September 2013 <sup>1</sup>	Change	% Change					
Mean (Average) Rounds Played - September	2,502	2,564	1	-2.4%					
Mean (Average) Days Open - September	27.8	28.1	1	-1.1%					
YTD September 2014 Highlights									
Mean (//werage) Rounds Played - YTD	19,566	19,850	1	-1.4%					
Mean (Average) Days Open - YTD	203.7	208.8	1	-2.4%					
September 2014 Median Gross Revenue Per Facility <sup>2</sup>									
Median Golf Fee Revenue - September	\$77,776	\$79,749	1	-2.5%					
Median Merchandise Revenue - September	¥15,387	¥15,229	1	1.0%					
Median Food & Beverage Revenue - September	<b>§</b> 53,386	<b>1</b> 54,848	1	-2.7%					
Median Total Revenue - September <sup>4</sup>	\$201,208	\$201,965	1	-0.4%					
YTD September 2014 Median Gross Revenue Per Facility <sup>2</sup>									
Median Golf Fee Revenue - YTD	\$634,242	\$637,203	1	-0.5%					
Median Merchandise Revenue - YTD	\$122,386	\$122,603	1	-0.2%					
Median Food & Beverage Revenue - YTD	\$410,420	\$395,043	1	3.9%					
Median Total Revenue - YTD <sup>4</sup>	\$1,696,610	\$1,874,817	1	1.3%					
Performance Factor <sup>3</sup>	Index								
September 2014	98.6								
YTD September 2014	101.0								

 $<sup>^{</sup>m 1}$  Rounds played, days open, and revenue data are weighted by state and facility type.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Total facility revenue is comprised of Golf, Merchandise and F&B revenue (those metrics measured by PerformanceTrak) and further includes any and all other revenue items at a facility including dues and membership fees.



 $<sup>^2</sup>$  Median gross revenues exclude responses where one value of the paired data was missing (i.e., a \$0 value).

 $<sup>^3</sup>$  Performance Factor is an index of rounds played per day open, where 100.00 represents consistent play on a per day basis.

#### PGA PERFORMANCETRAK

#### **Executive Summary Report (Public & Resort Facilities)**

**Your Facility** 

Your CGM

Color Legend

YTD

2011

\$681,345

\$718,902 \$715,409

Your Facility's Monthly Data

Your CGM Comparative Data

Change (%)

\$3,493 (0%)

#### Period: 01/2012 - 01/2011 CGM: Florida: Southeast Rate Set: \$76 - \$125 Facility: Your Facility Name

			Januar	у	YTD			
		2012	2011	Change (%)	2012	2011	Change (%)	
Your Facility		15,718	16,214	-496 (-3%)	15,718	16,214	-496 (-3%)	
Your CGM	Avg.	16,455	15,241	1,214 (8%)	16,455	15,241	1,214(8%)	
Your CGM	Rank	10 of 18	7 of 16		10 of 18	7 of 16		
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RevPur (Revenue per Utilized Rounds)

#### Rank 7 of 18 9 of 16 7 of 18 9 of 16 1,000,000 800,000 600,000 400,000 200,000 01/11 02/11 03/11 04/11 05/11 06/11 07/11 08/11 09/11 10/11 11/11 12/11 01/12

\$681,345 \$32,419 (5%)

Revenue

Change (%)

\$3,493 (0%)

2012

\$713,764

January

2011

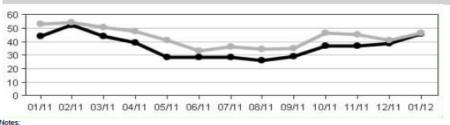
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2012

Avg. \$713,764

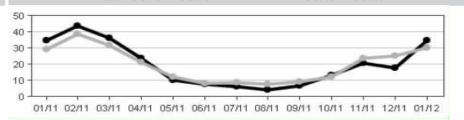
\$718,902

#### January YTD 2012 2011 2012 2011 Change (%) Change (%) \$44.12 \$44.12 **Your Facility** \$45.74 \$ 1.62 (4%) \$45.74 \$ 1.61 (4%) \$46.44 \$52.97 \$-6.53 (-12%) \$46.44 \$52.97 \$-6.54(-12%) Your CGM Rank 6 of 18 5 of 16 6 of 18 5 of 16



YTD January 2012 2012 2011 2011 Change (%) Change (%) Your Facility **\$**34.79 \$34.62 >\$ 0.17 (0%) \$34.79 \$34.62 \$ 0.17 (0%) Avg. \$30.40 \$29.19 \$ 1.21 (4%) \$30.40 \$29.79 \$ 0.61(2%) Your CGM Rank 5 of 18 5 of 16 5 of 18 5 of 16

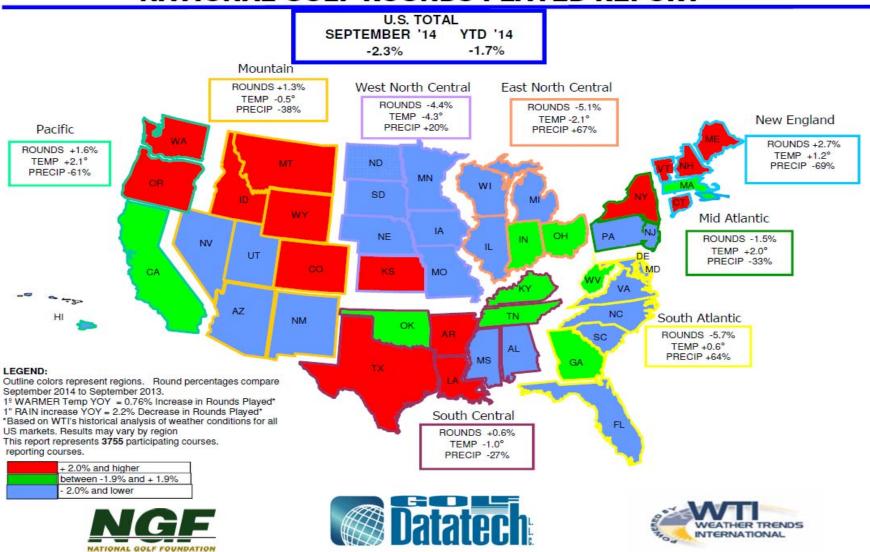
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<sup>1.</sup> YTD figures include results only for those facilities that have reported for all periods.

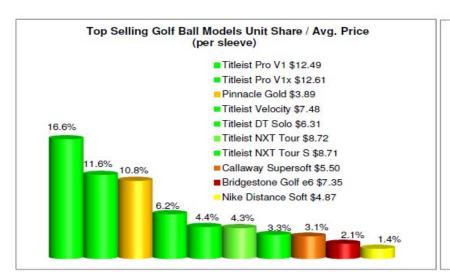
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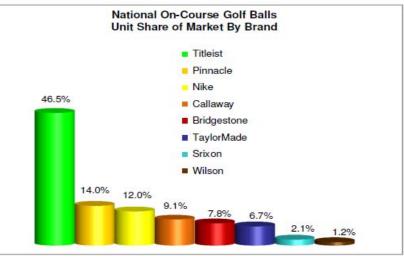


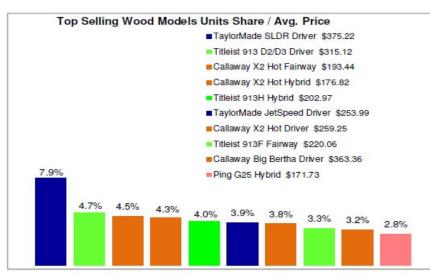
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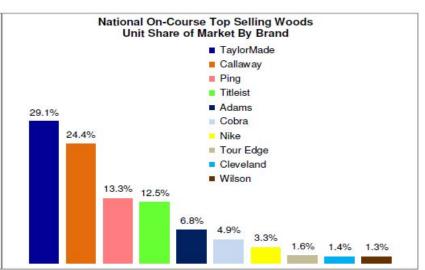


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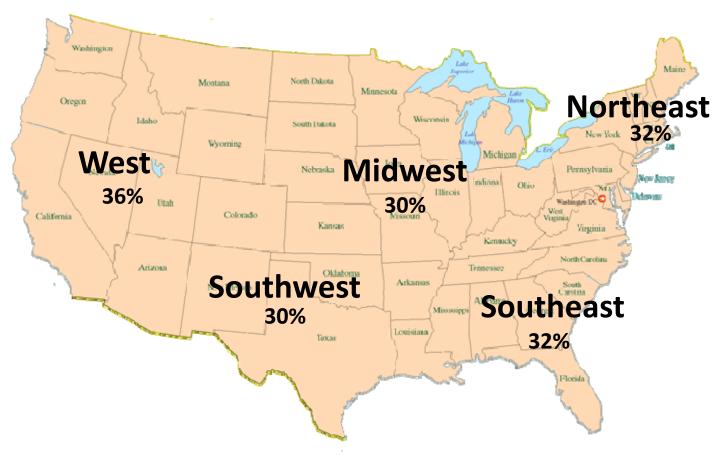
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#### PARTICIPATION · KNOWLEDGE · SUCCESS

## Course Maintenance as a Percentage of Available Cash National 31%

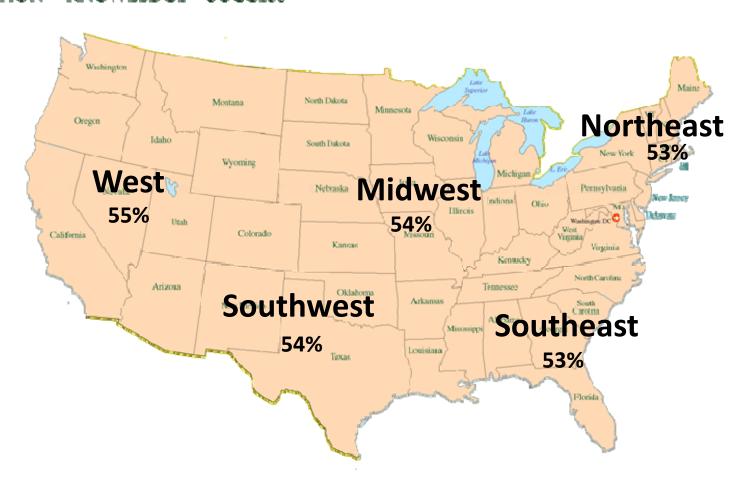




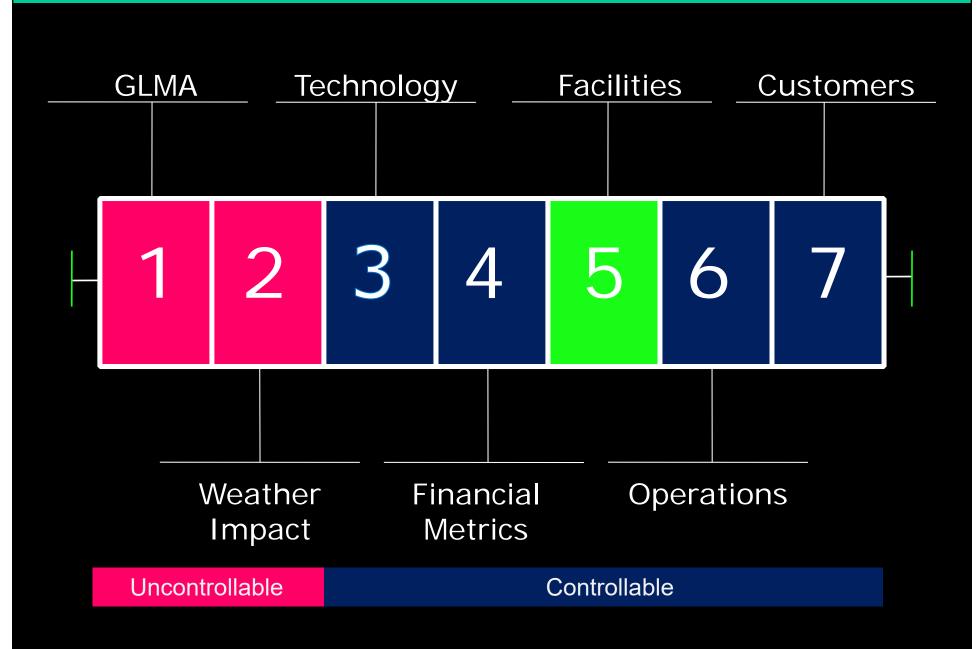


#### Payroll as a Percentage of Operating Revenue National 54%

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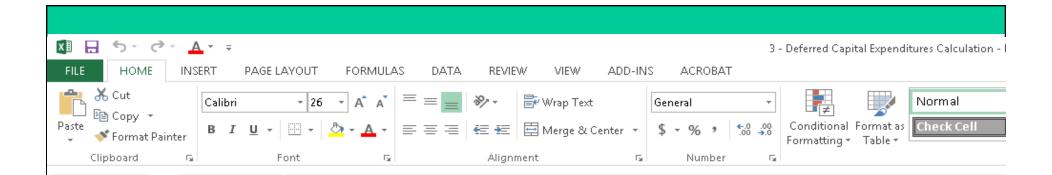




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The golf course is a living organism that requires constant capital reinvestment to maintain the customer value proposition to avoid the death spiral of a declining experience.



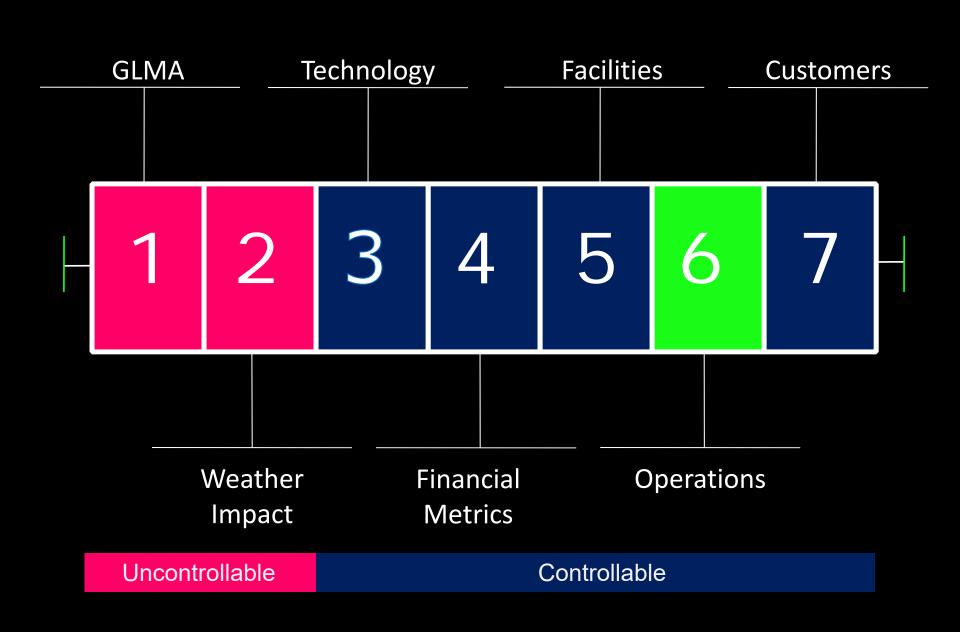


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2	Golf Course - Estimate	d Deferred Capital Expenditu	ires: Conservativ	e Approach	1			
3	Golf Course Name:				Based on Maximum Life	Input Field	Automatic Calculation	
4	Component		Years Minimum	Years Maximum	Estimated Cost to Replace	Years Since Asset Replaced		Annual Capital Reserve
5	Greens	Sand based root-zone	15	30	\$ 1,250,000	25	\$ 1,041,667	\$ 41,667
	Sand Bunkers	Total Bunkers	10	15	\$ 975,000	15	\$ 975,000	\$ 65,000
7	Irrigation System							
		Controls and Satellites	15	20	\$ 175,000	3	\$ 26,250	\$ 8,750
,		Pipe and Wire	15	25	\$ 500,000	27	\$ 500,000	\$ 20,000
11		Pumping Systems	15	25	\$ 425,000	27	\$ 425,000	\$ 17,000
11		Sprinklers	10	15	\$ 150,000	27	\$ 150,000	\$ 10,000
12	Tees	Re-Turf	15	20	\$ 225,000	27	\$ 225,000	\$ 11,250
15	Drainage		20	30	\$ 870,000	27	\$ 783,000	\$ 29,000
14	Water Features	Front Nine Liners (estimate)	25	35	\$ 65,000	8	\$ 14,857	\$ 1,857
15		Back Nine Liners (estimate)	25	35	\$ 80,000	3	\$ 6,857	\$ 2,286
16	Cart Paths	Asphalt (6-8 feet wide)	15	25	\$ 625,000	25	\$ 625,000	\$ 25,000
17	Fairways	Re-Turf as needed	15	30	1,500,000		\$ -	\$ 50,000
11	Total Deferred Capital				6,840,000		4,772,631	281,810
21		Instructions: To complete schedule, merely enter in column "F" the number of years since the golf course component has been replaced.						

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The brand is defined by the experience up to 14 customer touch points in the "assembly line of golf"



#### The Assembly Line of Golf

Touch Point	Municipal	Daily Fee	Military	Resort	Private Club
Reservations					
Club Entrance					
Bag Drop					
Locker Room					
Pro Shop					
Cart					
Range					
Starter					
Course					
Beverage Cart Attendant					
Half Way House					
Cart Return					
Locker Room					
Bar/Restaurant					
Likely # of Points of Contact	9	11	9	12	14





#### Creating a Sustaining Brand

Pre-Purchase Purchase Post Purchase

Awareness Knowledge Consideration Selection Satisfaction Loyalty Advocacy

#### **Drivers The Influence Customer Loyalty**

- ✓ Word of Mouth
- Email Communication
- ✓ Corporate Web Site
- ✓ Social Media

- ✓ Condition
- ✓ Course Layout
- ✓ Price
- ✓ Brand Image

- ✓ Customer Experience
- ✓ Compliant Resolution
- ✓ Customer Surveys
- ✓ Staff Interaction







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YOUR GOLF COURSE SCORE, AS A PERCENTAGE.

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ASSEMBLY LINE	Description	Weight	Raw Score	Weighted Score
1	Reservations	2%	100	2.00
2	Club Entrance	3%	75	2.25
3	Bag Drop	2%	100	2.00
4	Locker Room	2%	50	1.00
5	Pro Shop	5%	72	3.60
6	Carts	2%	45	0.90
7	Range	9%	28	2.52
8	Starter	1%	0	0.00
9	Course	50%	57	28.50
10	Beverage Cart	2%	50	1.00
11	Halfway House	4%	60	2.40
12	Cart Return	1%	55	0.55
13	Locker Room	2%	63	1.26
14	Bar/Restaurant	15%	40	6.00

Step 1 - Reservations Touch tone Telephone V Trained agent through call center 굣 Booked directly by Pro Shop Staff? V Did phone ring less than 4 times? Did agent get all players names? Did agent get all players names? 굣 Was email address of group "captain" obtained V Where the fees discussed? Where the amenities mentioned? V Where directions to the course provided?

Was ability to book on home page in 3 clicks?

Cover

Registration

Secret Shopper

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Via Web site?



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	\$124.30	FAIR MARKET VALUE FOR GREEN FEE, BASED ON CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE DERIVED.	Select	Course Type  Municipal	
ASSEMBLY LINE Description		Weight	Raw Score	Weighted Score	
Step 1	Slope	90%	70	63	
Step 2	Strategy	20%	30	6	
Step 3	Conditioning	20%	30	6	
Step 4	Turf Texture	8%	10	0.8	
Step 5	Ambience	8%	145	11.6	
Step 6	Amenities	10%	30	3	
	Subtotal Green Fee Experience	$\longrightarrow$	90	0.4	
Step 7	Demand Adjustment		13	8%	
00°00 TO • PO 00 TO	Recommended Value Based Green Fee		\$12	4.30	
	Course' Current Green Fee	Prime Time With Cart	\$12	0.00	
	Variance	$\longrightarrow$	\$4	.30	
	Step 1 - Slope	Description			
	Select Slope Rating for Your Course from the Back Tees (Select Only One)	126-130 131-135 136 - 140 141-145 Over 145			
	Step 2- Strategy	Description			
The architecture of a golf course varies greatly. Some are merely "hit it and find it" that don't offer much challenge on flat piece of ground with few trees and bunkers. Others are brilliantly crafted in which the golfers walks through a canopy of nature with many alternatives on how to play a hole. It is hard to describe but you know a great course when you play it.		Vast majority of holes are straight, course is flat, few trees, bunkers, dunes, water hazards and options to play hole are well defined providing few options. No requirement to position shots. No risk/reward options.  A few dog legs with modest bunkering and trees, some rolling terrain, green complexes are uniform throughout the course. One or two risk/reward options  Terrain, bunkers, water hazards, trees, and green complexes provide typical golf experience. One third of golf holes provide a unique golf experience requiring thought to successfully navigate risk/reward  Up to two-thirds of golf holes provide a challenging experience where placement of the drive and the second shot has a significant impact on the ability to score well.  The putting greens are historic (Raynor, Ross, Tillinghast) where ball position on the green becomes a significant element of playing the course.  The par3-4 and 5 holes have varying length, i.e., par 3s of 120, 150, 180, and 210 yards. Course may have dual fairways, bunkering that pinches the fairway, streams crossing the fairway and/or the green, narrow green openings, green side bunkers of varying depth and heavily contoured putting surfaces.			

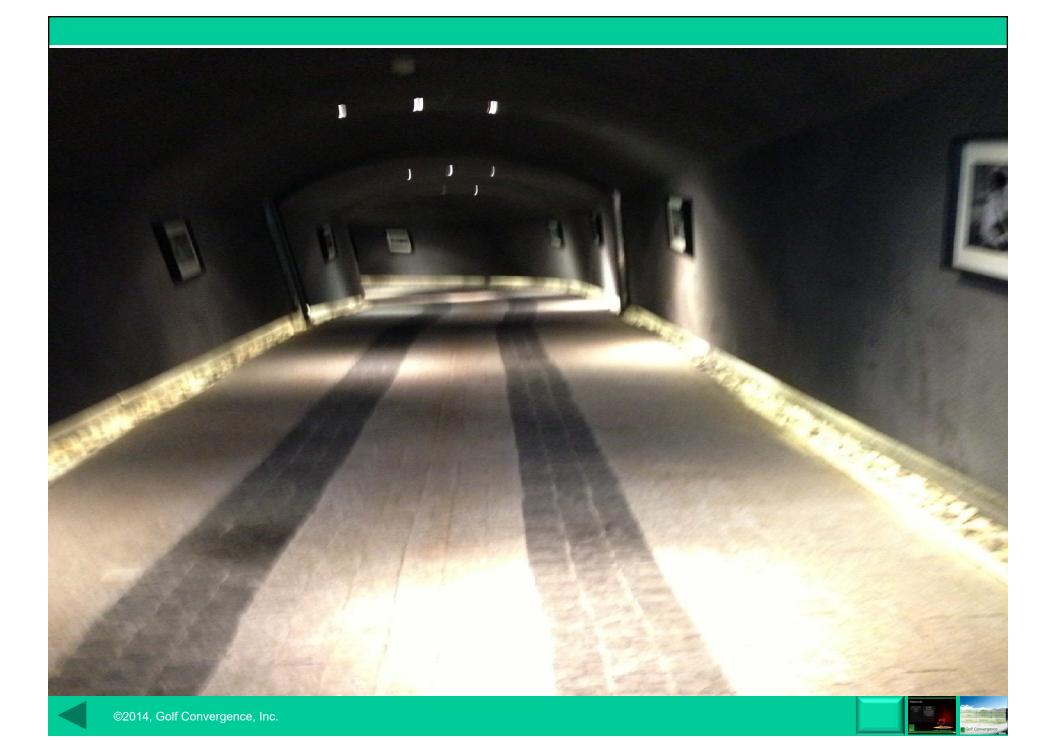








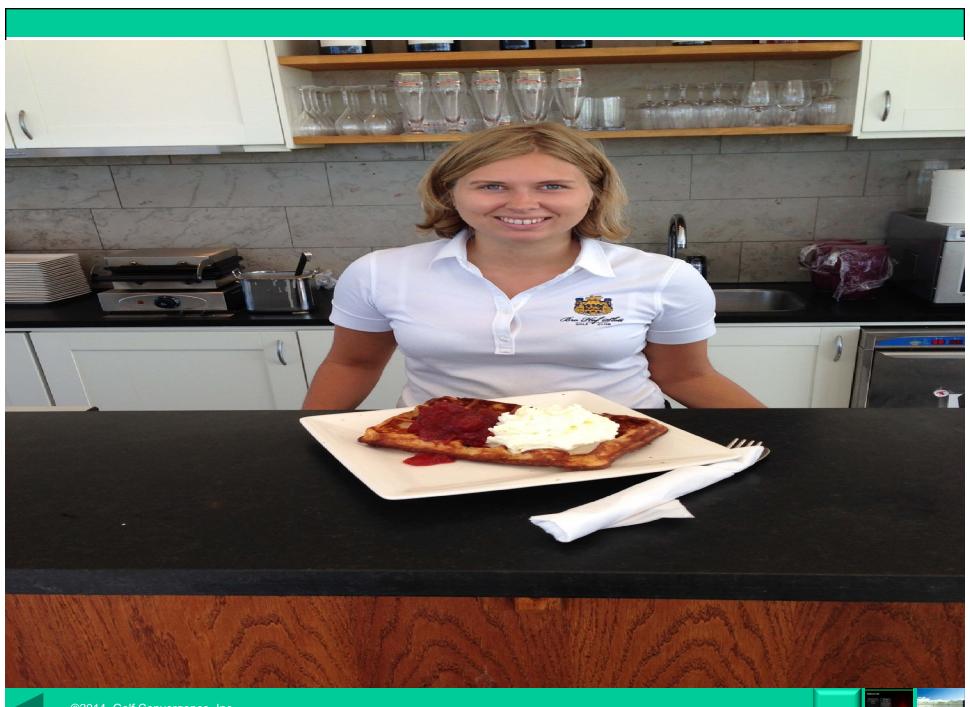


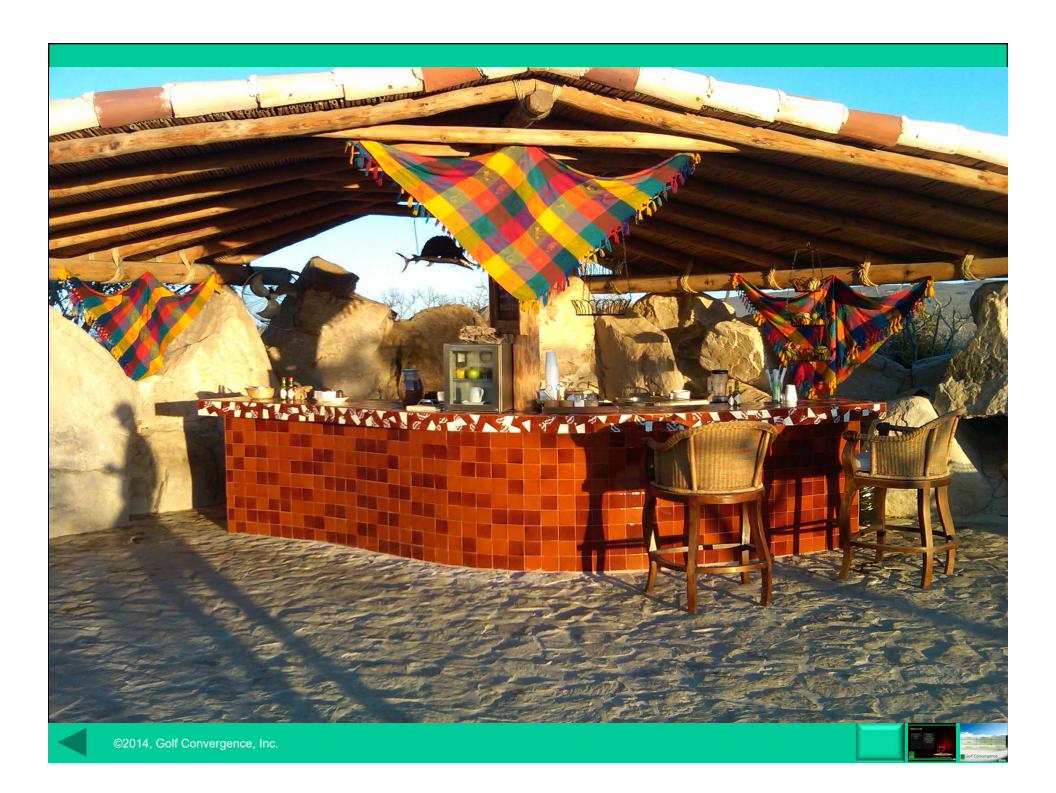








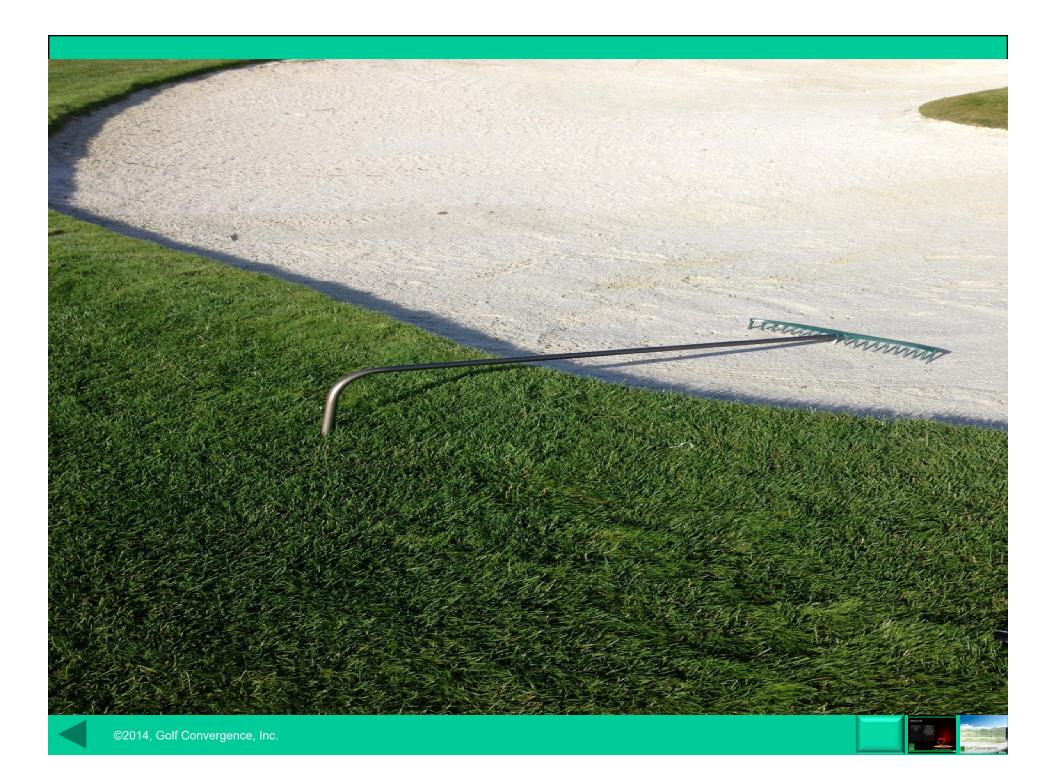




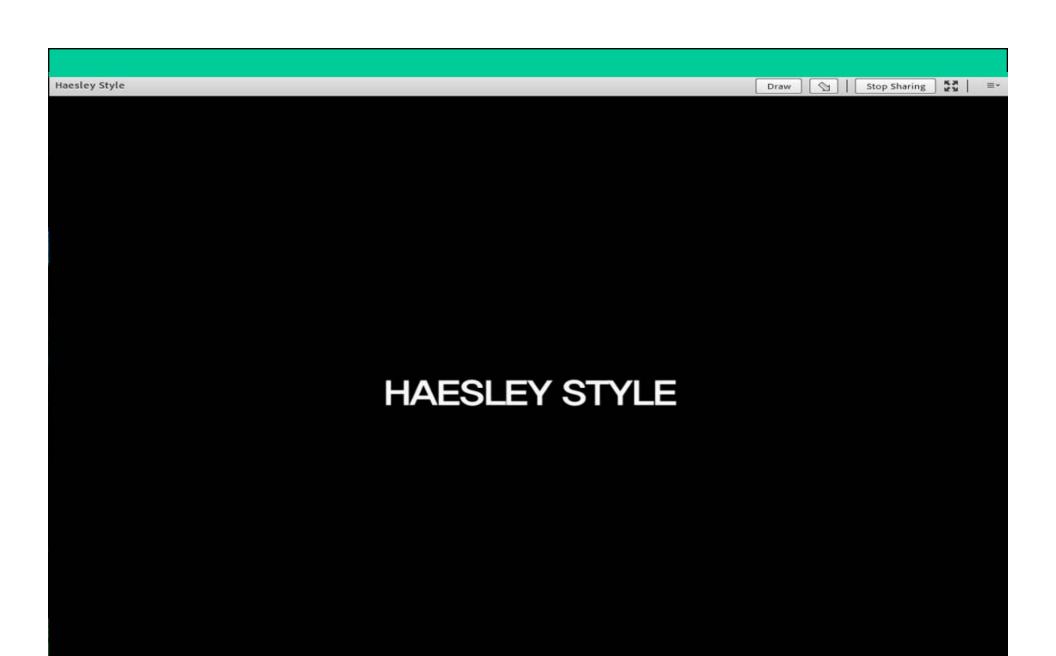




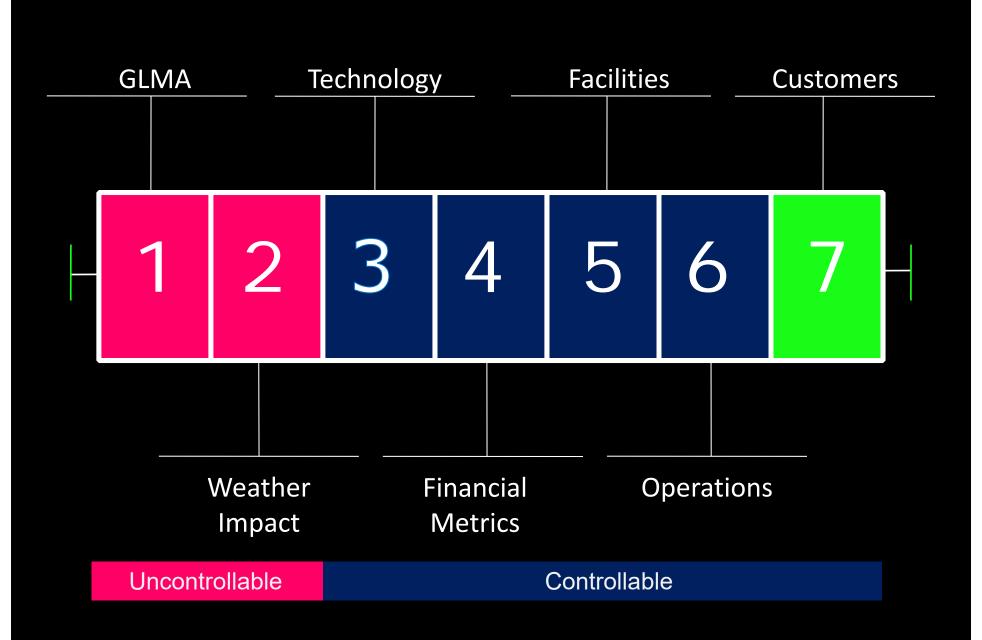








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Frequency does not equal loyalty and "firing" your worst customers is a good thing



#### **The Question That Measures Loyalty**

Based on your playing experience over the last 24 months, how likely is it that you would recommend the following courses to a friend, colleague, or family member. (Rate your likelihood to recommend on a scale of 0 to 10 with "10" being "Extremely Likely" and "0" being "Not At All Likely." If you did not play a course please indicate by checking "N/A.")

#### The Calculation (Fred Reichheld)



# DID YOU KNOW

Your Take Aways



#### Your Take – Aways

Lesson #1 - You are working too hard on the wrong things that make little difference: WHY.

Lesson #2 - There are six key measurements that accurately forecast the potential of your facility: MOSIAC, Income, Age, Ethnicity, Golfers Per 18, Slope.

Lesson #3 – 10 Year Playable Day Reports and 11 Month Forecasts. Weather Trends

Lesson #4 - The template website you have created and your current use of technology have little value. Become transaction vs. information oriented

Lesson #5 - Do you know the financial results of your competitors? Benchmark

Lesson #6 - Avoiding the Death Spiral? Invest and budget capital reserves

Lesson #7 – Shattering "illusory superiority" thinking that their customers are loyal when they are not. Secret Shop and Survey

Lesson #8 - Stealing customers from your competitors and from third party tee time providers is easy. Create SKU that identifies third party times sold







#### So, what does it all mean?



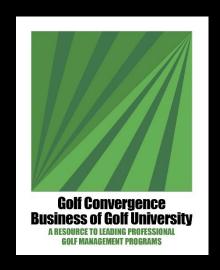


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