their success. This begs the question, "Are we, as superintendents, doing our job properly?" Many golfers did not know what superintendents do on a daily basis. But, over 90 percent of golf course superintendents believed they provided side-by-side comparisons of the quality of play and the maintenance of the golf course during the U.S. Open.

A recent survey revealed that 90 percent of golf course superintendents believed that they could sustain a high level of course condition throughout the entire week of competition. Setup crews proceed from tee to green on every golf hole. Course setup begins from the first and second rounds through the first few days of the tournament. Perhaps you heard the ultimate bugbear of the golf course setup: "When we have hosted the U.S. Open today!"

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