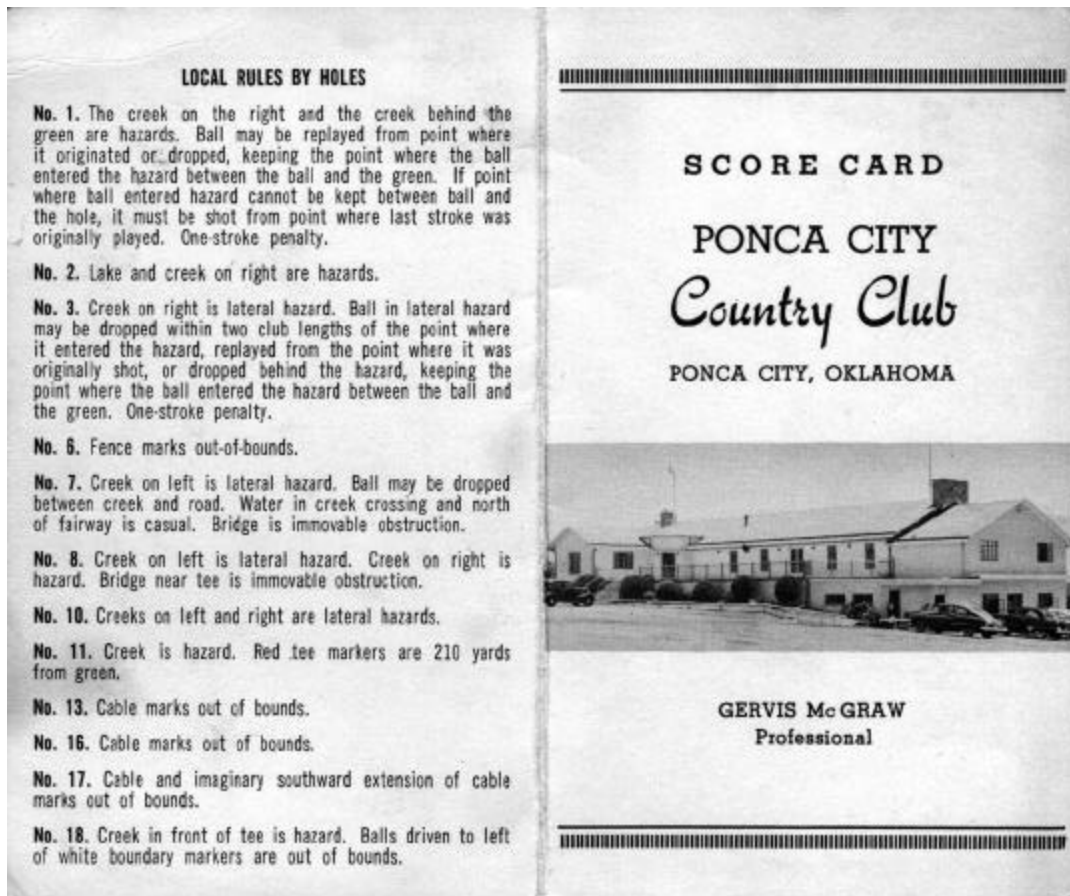
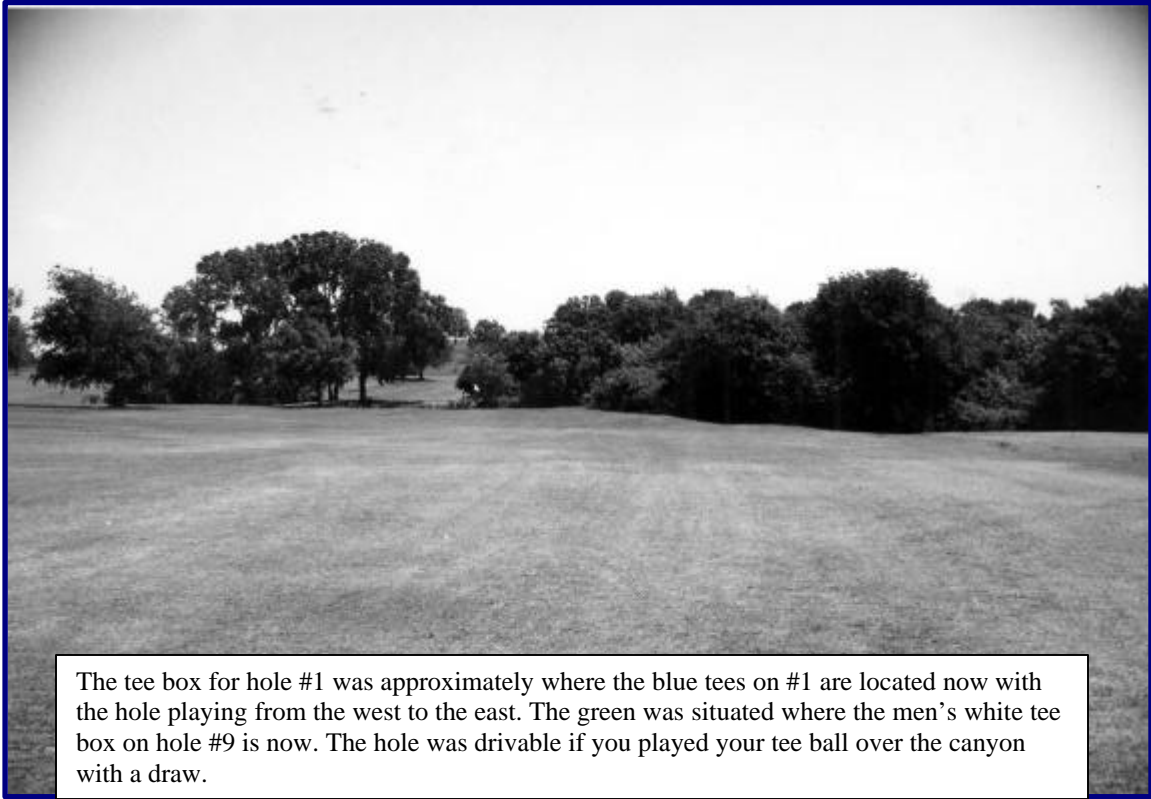


# Ponca City Country Club Golf Course - 1961

- Hole by hole black and white photos were taken in 1961
- Hole by hole color photos were taken in 2001 from the approximate locations that the b&w 1961 photos were taken.
- Old course hole descriptions are from a brochure that was printed in 1961 when PCCC hosted the Oklahoma State Men's Amateur Tournament. Comments from J.B. Hron are also included.



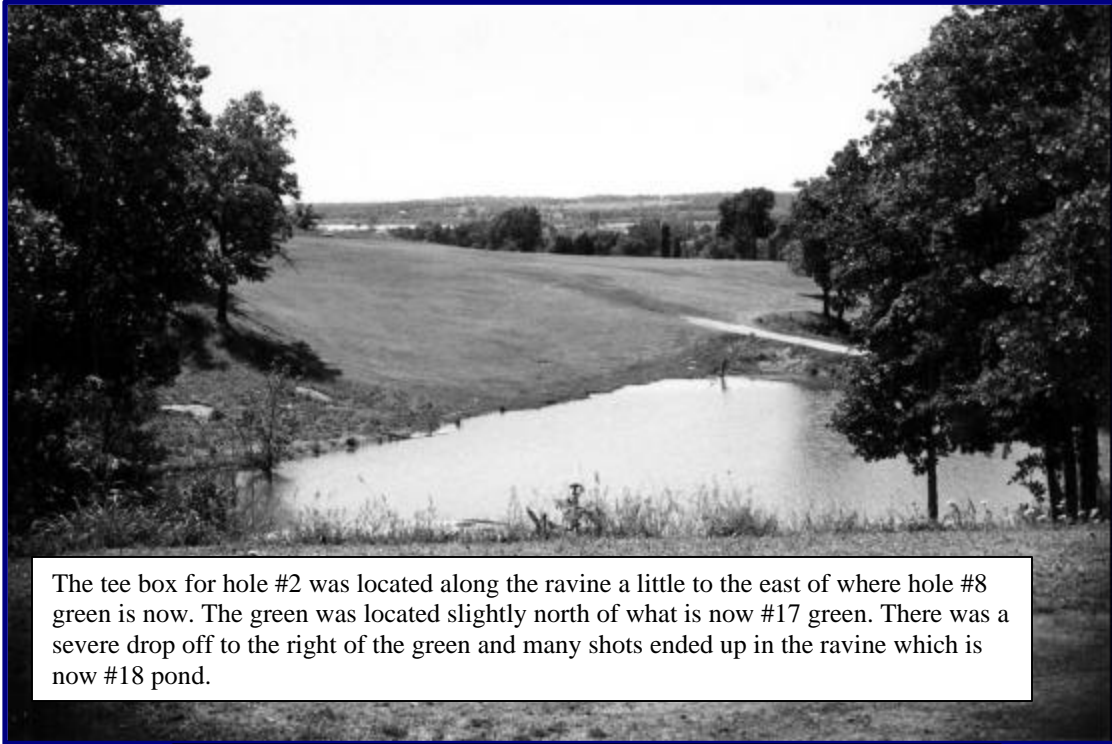


The tee box for hole #1 was approximately where the blue tees on #1 are located now with the hole playing from the west to the east. The green was situated where the men's white tee box on hole #9 is now. The hole was drivable if you played your tee ball over the canyon with a draw.

**Hole No. 1 - Par 4 - 355 yards**


A "breathe" hole to start with where driving position can make a difference between birdie and par. Quick-rising hill 230 yards off the tee can minimize distance. Canyon and trees some 210 yards off the tee where the hole doglegs to the right will catch a sliced shot. The approach is not long, but mound running through the middle of the green requires well placed second shot. This hole has no sand traps.






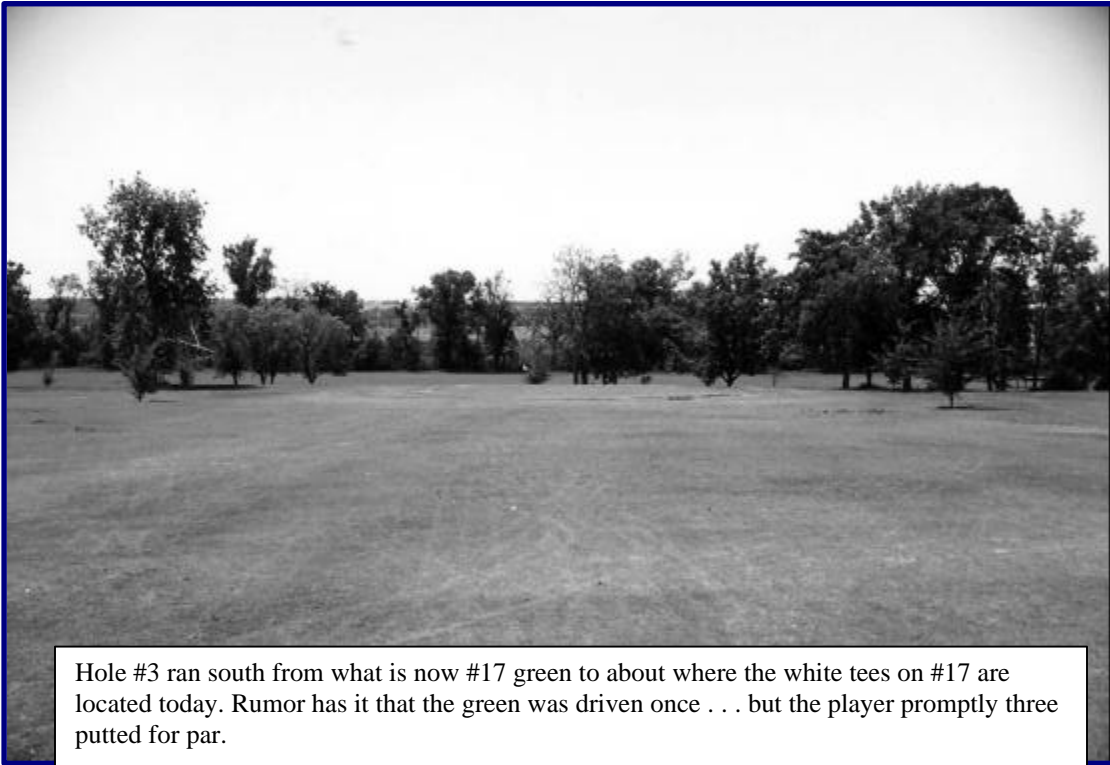
The tee box for hole #2 was located along the ravine a little to the east of where hole #8 green is now. The green was located slightly north of what is now #17 green. There was a severe drop off to the right of the green and many shots ended up in the ravine which is now #18 pond.

Hole No. 2 - Par 3 - 165 yards



An outstanding one-shotter, with water in front of tee. The prevailing south wind can make this hole very difficult. Canyon, trees, and large sand trap to the right of green can produce lots of trouble. Tee shot should be played left—everything slopes to the right. Large green sloping left to right can present some tricky putting problems.




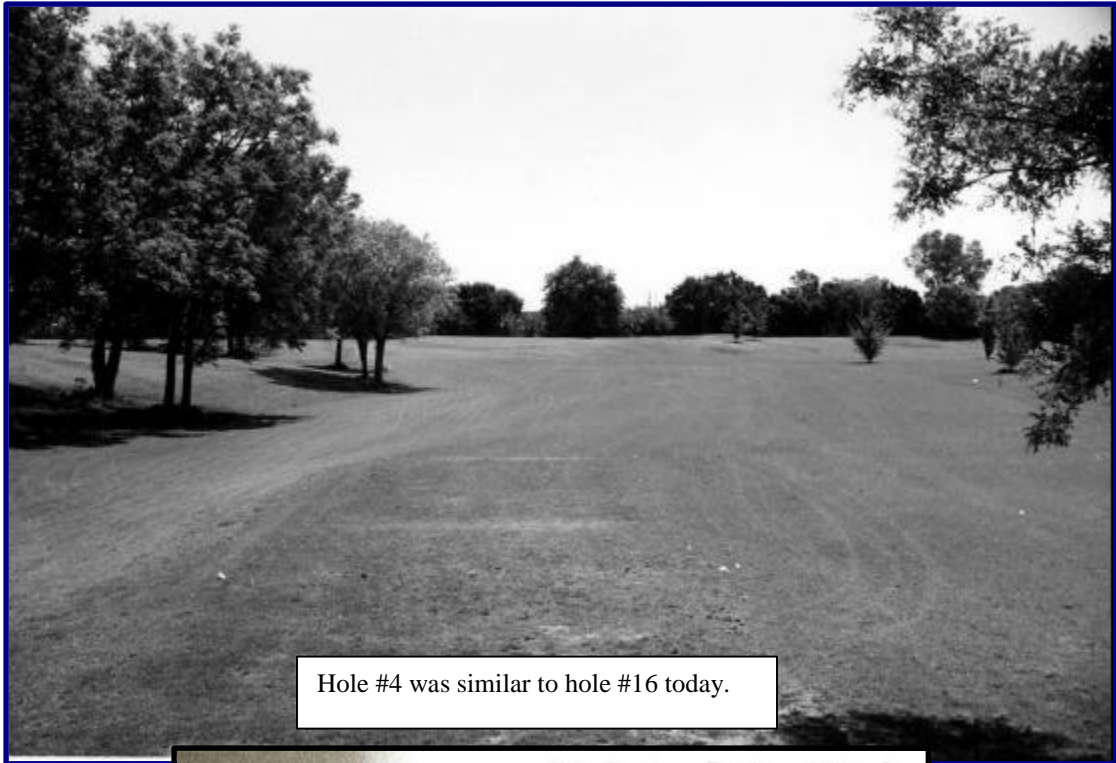


Hole #3 ran south from what is now #17 green to about where the white tees on #17 are located today. Rumor has it that the green was driven once . . . but the player promptly three putted for par.

Hole No. 3 - Par 4 - 385 yards

A hole where a player can get into all kinds of trouble. Position—not distance—is the key factor off the tee. Too far to the left and trees can shut off the approach to the green. To the right is deep canyon and trees. A well placed drive leaves a short iron to a narrow green that is trapped to the left and right.


A small, hand-drawn diagram on the right side of the text block. It depicts a golf hole layout with a tee box on the left, a fairway in the middle, and a green on the right. The green is shown as a narrow strip, and there are lines indicating the placement of trees and a deep canyon to the right of the green.

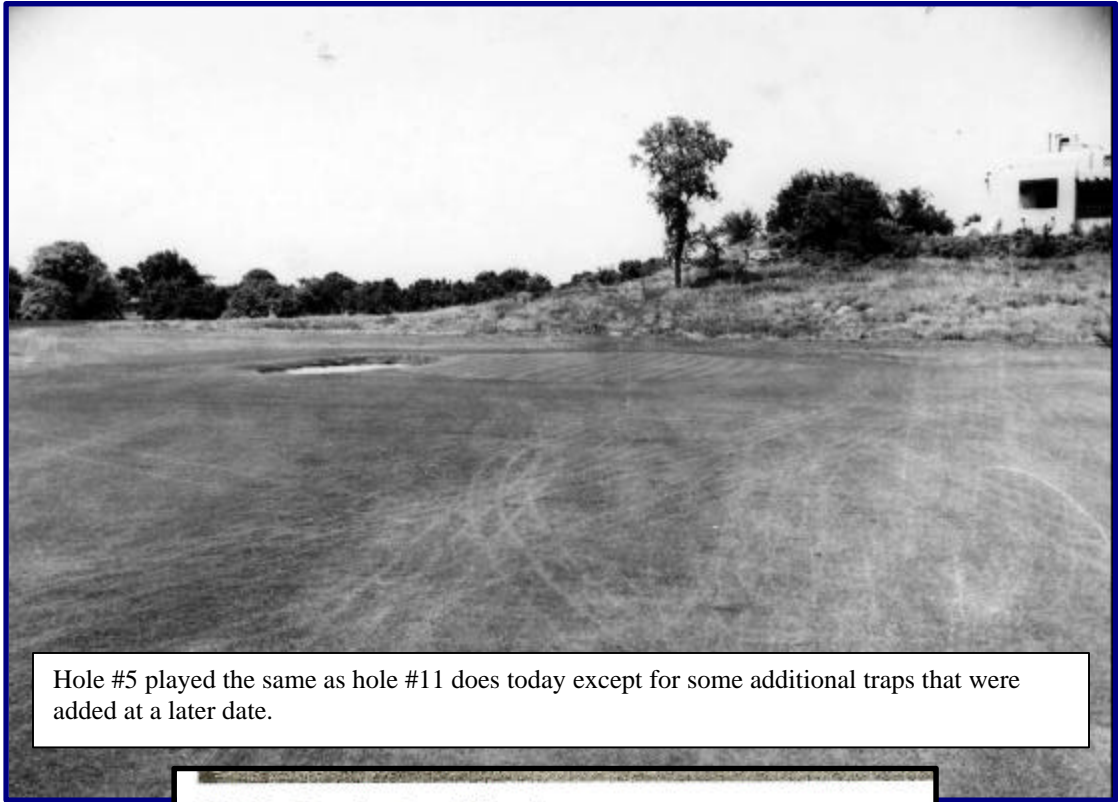


Hole #4 was similar to hole #16 today.

Hole No. 4 - Par 3 - 165 yards

This par 3 hole plays easy from the front tee, can be made hard by moving the markers to back of tee, which would require a long shot of about 200 yards. Trees along left side of fairway present very little trouble.





Hole #5 played the same as hole #11 does today except for some additional traps that were added at a later date.

**Hole No. 5 - Par 4 - 350 yards**

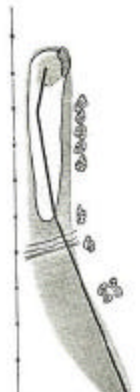
The power hitters have an edge here as a long tee shot will reach the top of the hill leaving a short approach shot. Average tee shot will be penalized by rising hill 220 yards off the tee. Second shot will be played to long narrow green that is trapped to the left.





Hole #6 was what we now play as hole #12. The only changes between now and then are (1) a fairway trap on the right has been eliminated and (2) the two traps in front of the green have been added.

Hole No. 6 - Par 5 - 460 yards



The first of the par fives where the long hitter can open up. Hole has a dogleg to the right and out-of-bounds to the left. Trees and deep rough line right side of fairway. Ideal position for tee shot is the right side, leaving shortest shot to the green. A long narrow sand trap lines the right side of green. An easy hole—should see lots of birdies.



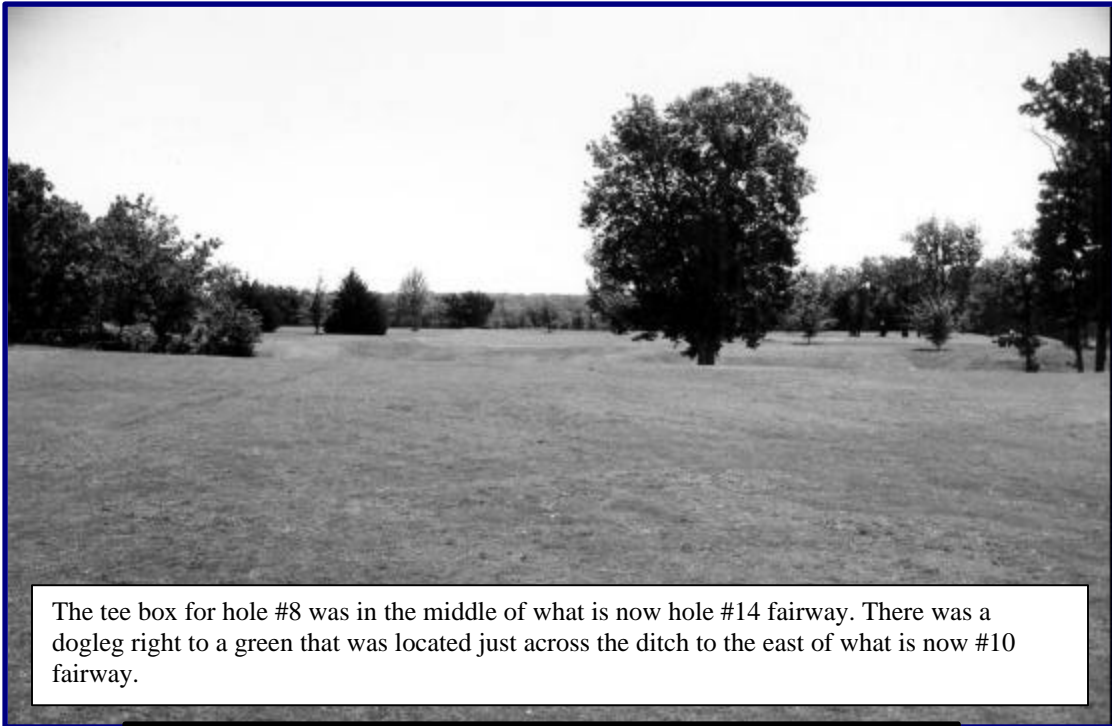


Hole #7 was basically the same hole as hole #13 is today. The only change is the current green is more elevated.

Hole No. 7 - Par 5 - 565 yards


A good golf hole that puts a premium on long, straight drives. A creek to the left runs the full length of the hole. A good drive, well hit two or three wood, will leave a short iron to the green. A large elevated green which is very flat should be easy to putt. Not a very easy birdie hole.





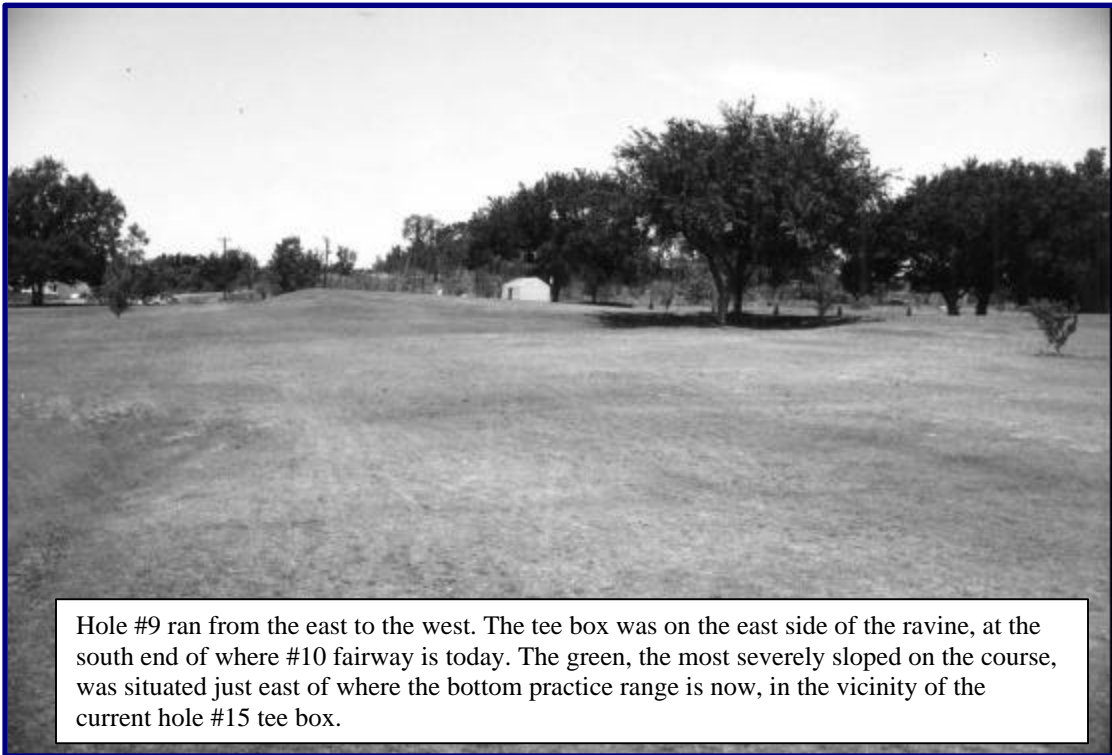
The tee box for hole #8 was in the middle of what is now hole #14 fairway. There was a dogleg right to a green that was located just across the ditch to the east of what is now #10 fairway.

Hole No. 8 - Par 4 - 365 yards



A par four that looks easy but plays hard and is much longer than card shows. Trees and heavy rough to the right. A decided dogleg to the right that offers a big opportunity to short-cut it from the tee. Average hitters best drive position is to left side of the fairway. A large tree guards the right front part of the green. A small easy green to putt.





Hole #9 ran from the east to the west. The tee box was on the east side of the ravine, at the south end of where #10 fairway is today. The green, the most severely sloped on the course, was situated just east of where the bottom practice range is now, in the vicinity of the current hole #15 tee box.

#### Hole No. 9 - Par 4 - 355 yards

A rough par four finishing hole for the front nine. Fairway slopes to the left, leaving either a side or up-hill lie. Two large trees guard right front part of the green. Tee shot should be played slightly to the left center of the fairway to open up the approach to the green; normally a 6 or 7 iron shot. The extremely elevated green requires good control.

