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## Still tee'd up at Heather Ridge

*Country club's new crew looks to keep course active in uncertain times*

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Russ Barrett, a Heather Ridge Country Club member for the past 25 years, practices putting Aug. 18 on the putting green at Heather Ridge in Aurora. (Heather A. Longway/The Aurora Sentinel)

AURORA | Heather Ridge Golf Course is operating under the supervision of the property's receiver, Denver-based Cordes & Company, following the apparent suicide of the facility's owner last month.

According to a message on a website for the United Association of Heather Ridge, a group of homeowners around Heather Ridge, Cordes & Company reopened the golf course for play on Aug. 5. The update came less than a week after Richard Jorgenson, 70, the proprietor of the Heather Ridge Golf Club was found dead in the clubhouse.

"Things may continue on a day-to-day basis for the foreseeable future," the message reads. "The receiver still has much work to do to sort out the detail of assets and liabilities."

According to Errol Roland, president of UAHR, Cordes & Company are working with residents and stakeholders to secure a solid future for the Aurora facility.

"We feel like we're on the road to really making the golf course successful again. Their attitude toward us and us toward them (is) nothing but cooperation," Roland said. "When they took it over there were a lot of problems. We're just thankful that they opened it back up for golf."

While food and beverage service has been postponed at the club, Morris said the receivers are currently focusing on simply keeping the course open.

"I respect what's going on and I respect the situation and the issues that they were faced with when they stepped in there," Morris said. "Nine ladies can't have a baby in one month. It takes time for the process. We respect that."

Representatives from Cordes & Company had no comment, stating that the company was still evaluating the situation.

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