

COURSE MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2018

ROUTINE

Divot tees, hole changing bunker raking, bins & washers. Leaf blowing and collection daily

MACHINERY

Most of the main mowing machines are now off site for a winter service.

GOLF COURSE CHAIRS

With the machinery now away the chairs have been brought in and will be refurbished during poor weather conditions.

The posts and summer markers will also be refurbished.

PEST CONTROL

Mole control is ongoing and we have been moving traps daily with good results.

TREE THINNING

The 16th right hand side has been completed. Many small trees and lower branches have been removed and the whole area has been cleared away and burnt. This has resulted in more sunlight and drying wind.

The area near the Haughs bridge and 10th tee will be looked at next, with the view to increase wind and sunlight that will dry up and lighten up this shaded, damp area.

BUNKER WORK

The right hand side fairway bunker on the 9th will be removed (the sand is to be put in other bunkers and also spread on winter tees.

The LHS approach bunker will be removed and replaced with gentle mounding.

GRASS HOLLOW

Some catch up work of a field drain in the 10th fairway hollow is to be installed that will improve drainage.

IRRIGATION

Work has started on the repairs to the irrigation pipes (1 completed with 5 more to do).

BALL WASHERS

Two new ball washers have been delivered and shall be put out at the start of the new season (thanks to the seniors section for their donation).

CLUBHOUSE

The clubhouse front and back shrubs have been trimmed, and the hanging baskets and tubs have been cleaned and stored.

The salt box is now in place and ten additional bags of salt have been stored.

GENERAL COMMENT

The greens have now been sprayed with an autumn fungicide and the height of cut on the greens has been raised due to wet and cold weather arriving.

Winter tees will be going on Monday the 12th of November – this helps to move divot line up on fairway and stops summer walk areas and tee banks becoming muddy and bare.

The use of winter wheels will start on the 12th of November also.

When conditions are right the greens will be pencil tined (small solid tine with not too much disruption to play).

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The 10th hole has been hooped off along the top to save the bankside walk area to the green.

All cutting machines will be having their usual safety checks when in for winter servicing.

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