

Greens Committee meeting. Held Tuesday May 3rd 2011. 6pm.

Present were

Mick Almond,[Chairman]. Dave Parrot. Nick Hartnett. Tony Quinn
Colin Fairley, [Course Manger]
Derrick Arden,[Club Chairman] John Titley [Club Vice Captain]

Committee meeting began with a presentation by Colin related to the Club machinery and equipment used to maintain the course including the sprinkler system. Club Chairman explained how the financing of our facilities are controlled. This was followed with a walk of the course, Holes 3 to 15. We then held remainder of meeting at the Clubhouse.

Main issues arising from the walk revolved around an action plan which could quickly reduce the amount of scar and winter damage on some of the Greens, whilst causing the least disruption to the Membership.

Of the options recommended by Colin, it was agreed that needle spiking followed with reseeding and top dressing on all 18 Greens should be carried out as quickly as possible, this work represents a two day work programme for the Greens team. Colin will implement this plan with immediate effect.

Other observations included WIP related to drainage on some Greens as well as continued improvements to pathways and teeing area's, improvements to winter green pin locations is also ongoing with further landscaping to be carried out to create better pin positions for the winter period

Weld mesh which has been used to repair holes in the fence alongside the 6th and 7th holes is proving a better deterrent, we believe we should re-order another batch so that we can block off newly created access routes immediately they appear.

Tee mats installed for last winter have proved a huge success; we would like to see four more for the coming winter season, beginning with one on the first. Ultimately all 18 holes could be set up; this would reduce tee area damage dramatically.

Suggestion that the "Club Course Policy Document" should be reviewed and brought up to date was accepted, this item will be on next meeting agenda.

Date of next meeting, Tuesday 7th, 6pm.

Update.

As of going to print, all greens excluding 17 and 18 have been micro spiked, reseeded and top dressed.

Mick Almond, Chairman. 12 May 2011.