



Golf Course Maintenance Monthly Report

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Greens

The greens since 20th December have had everything thrown at them from the nematode and fungi outbreak

20/12 banflo – daconil fungicide

24/12 pride insecticide

31/12 medallion – heritage maxx fungicide

2/1 thumper – push thru nemaicide

9/1 thumper – mlr8 nemaicide

11/1 banflo fungicide

16/1 ran mann – parotit fungicide morning spray

16/1 mlr8-accelrate-fulvic acid-mag-prima strong fertiliser mix

23/1 mlr8-fulvic acid-mag-prima fertiliser

They are starting to show some good signs, also I took a soil & tissue sample from the 14th green report attached. We have a lot of leaf & root spores' damage to the greens so going forward we will try and reduce as much of the thatch layer as possible with a good renovation in March and preventive spraying programme for this spring and summer.

Fairways

The fairways have been fertilised in the past week and are getting 30 minutes of watering a week so I don't think they need any more but a drop of rain would nice.

Tees

The tees are looking really good I am very happy with the way they are coming along we fertilise once a month, water 5 nights a week for 10 min each night, all the sprinklers are working well.

Practice Green

The chipping green is come up great everyone seems happy with it the root depth is good and keeps improving, once we finish the rest of the range of it will be a great practice facility.

Machinery/Staff

We are still having little problems with the mowers from time to time eg tees mower caught fire, hydraulic hose breaking on big rough mower, hydraulic leak on surrounds mower and that was just in the past week. The staff are working well but we are just having trouble keeping up with everything irrigation, spraying, bunkers (look shit) whipper snipping, general maintenance about only thing we seem to get done on time each week is the mowing, we really need a part time staff member about 20 hrs a week just to do the bunkers.

General

The course is in good condition over all the greens are the big problem they just look very poor but everyone says they still roll and putt well. The bunkers are the other problem we just don't spend enough time on them eg we started hand weeding them last week we used 44 man hours in 2 days and didn't even finish the front 9 holes, we have 86 bunkers they all need attention in one way or another.

Sprinkler System

The system is working well we are getting the right amounts of water each night, the system is pumping anywhere from .3 Meg to 1 Meg when required so it's doing its job.

Greens 18 min 6 days a week

Tees 10 min 5 days a week

Approach's 10 min 4 days a week

Fairways 15 min 2 days a week

So we are using 4 meg – 4.5 meg a week we have used about 60 meg this year, SLR 58 meg, we have pumped up from the 4th dam 49 meg and bought 96 meg to date. So I think we should end up about the 90 Meg of usage on the course for the year.