



August Greens Update

Cutting heights:

Greens: 3.5mm
Tees: 10mm

Approaches: 8.5mm
Fairways: 17mm

July weather data:

Rainfall: 31.8mm
E.T: 100.15

What has happened?

Throughout July the greens have been cut or ironed daily. Tees have been cut twice a week, and approaches have been cut 2-3 times a week. Slightly increased rainfall and lower temperatures has allowed for some cutting to be carried out on fairways, semi rough and rough. Liquid supplements, wetting agent and plant growth regulator have been applied to the greens to maintain turf health. Solid tine aeration to a depth of 175mm with 12mm diameter tines has been carried out on the greens and approaches. 20 tonnes of topdressing was then applied to the greens and approaches and brushed in. Sarel rolling has been carried out on the greens weekly as we try to keep the surface as open as possible for moisture to percolate through the rootzone. Verti cutting has also been carried out on the greens and tees.

New rubber crumb pathways have been installed on the 10th and by the putting green. An area of the 6th approach has been killed by a fuel leak on one of our machines. This will be repaired by using a turf cutter to remove the dead area and to cut replacement turf from the old 13th approach.

Planned Work

Greens will continue to be cut or ironed daily. Liquid supplements, growth regulator and wetting agent will be applied to the greens to maintain turf health. Approaches will be cut 2-3 times a week. Greens and approaches will be verticut. All other areas will be cut as required. Solid tine aeration to a depth of 100mm with 8mm diameter tines and sarel rolling will be carried out on the greens. A light top dressing will be applied to the greens.

Solid tine aeration will be carried out on the tees with 10mm diameter tines to a depth of 100mm. Bunkers will be edged and weeded with sand levels checked, redistributed and topped up as necessary. A new Huxley tee mat will be installed on the 8th green tee w/c 18th August. The fence running from the 9th steps to the 1st tee will be replaced w/c 25th August.