



Course Update – 19 May 2017

Course Rotation Delay

At long last we are seeing some rain and heat and there is now growth across all courses. However, all of this has come later than we had hoped. This has resulted in the works on Arndean being slightly behind schedule. We need to further scarify the Arndean greens, followed by further light sanding, rolling and cutting. The 3rd, 5th and 9th also require the newly seeded areas to fully germinate. Hence, the decision has been taken to delay the rotation to Arndean till Friday 2nd June (approximately one week's delay). We are hopeful this will give the Greens Team the time required to get Arndean fully ready and we are keen to ensure we only change rotation when the Arndean course is at least as good as the Naemoor and Cowden.

Resource

The planned recruitment of a greenkeeper to replace Ryan is continuing. We had made an offer to a very good candidate and this was accepted, however his current course decided to significantly increase his salary and offer him a promotion. Further interviews have been held and we hope to make another offer very soon. In addition, Stephen our summer worker cracked some ribs recently and has been unfit for work. We are hopeful he will resume his duties in the very near future.

The impact of the above is that we have been operating with a Greens Team of 3, inclusive of our Head Greenkeeper, for most of May. As I am sure everyone will appreciate, this is putting significant strain on resource and the ability to complete all tasks to the standard we all would wish. We are working hard to address the resource issues and get fully back on track.

Greens Committee
19 May, 2017