Woodford Golf Club Work Party – Conservation (1)

What does Woodford Golf do to conserve Epping Forest and the surrounding areas of the golf course?

Increasingly since cattle have ceased to graze the land in Epping Forest areas have been taken over by brambles, Holly, Ivy and small self seeded trees, these are choking the beautiful established Oak Trees of the forest and scrub is encroaching onto the acid grasslands, ant hills and the fairways of this 129 year old golf course.

Woodford Golf Club work parties and their two resident green keepers (who have looked after this land for over 80 years between them) over the last four years have set to reverse the above and return the areas of the forest towards its original links state.

This work has been carried out under the terms of our licence with agreement of the Corporation of London, Epping Forest for conservation and the safety of the visiting public.

Below are photographs of work carried out with some before and after shots.











Holly removed to expose this line of young oak's that were being choked on $4^{th}/13^{th}$ Fairway (May 2019)



Work carried out on view looking at 3rd Green and 4th Tee – Holly and Ivy that completely surrounded these oak trees was removed. (Before and After)

Holly and Ivy cleared next to 5th Tee / 4th Fairway, brambles removed and now replaced by grass and wild flowers



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All bridges and stream crossing points have fitted with anti slip material for the safety of golfers and walkers.



All greens are hand and hose watered by our greens staff as we do not have fitted green side sprinklers, this is time consuming operation mean long runs of hoses to water tees and greens.



