

June 2019

Greens Report

The summer golf season or should we say monsoon season is now upon us with over 65mm of rain in the last few weeks making it extremely difficult for the green staff to keep the course in good condition. The additional rain fall has added to our moisture readings on the greens lifting it to 35% average where our target is between 25-28%. However, the greens are remaining true, firm, and the ball is running well.

The greens have had their second visit of the season of the Air2g2 treatment, pumping much needed air into the root system, relieving compaction at the 7-8" depth and will continue to help the surface water percolate down through the greens with the minimum disturbance.

This week sees us with our first session on divoting fairways. Thank you to all the volunteers - your efforts are really appreciated. We will continue with this exercise at least once a month so please do come along and meet with other members.

The club has also ordered a rack for individual bags of soil and seed. One installed at the professional's shop; we would encourage you to take one with you as you play to replace/repair your own divots, and leave the empty bags in the bin as you exit the course.

Air2G2



The Divotees



Alison McGovern, Stewart Fraser, Ian Duguid
Louise Reid, Mike Reid, Graham Millar,
Peter Gillespie, Joan Peden

The 4th green has had some renovation work done. Over time, this green has had a severe invasion of moss which has been very difficult to eradicate. As a result, we have had the thatch-away units set at minus 3 and double scarified trying to remove the moss. We have also punched holes into the surface to create small spaces for over seeding and added nutrition to aid recovery.

Over the next few months the greens will be given various spray treatments of:

- Wetting agent to promote the movement of moisture through the profile.
- Seaweeds for plant health.
- Pre-Bru bugs to help prevent turf diseases, (this is new to our programme as more traditional chemicals have been taken off of the market.)
- Liquid feeding.

With July just around the corner hopefully we will see better weather and enjoy our golf course in the sunshine.



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