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If there is anything in particular you would like covered, please feel free to contact me via reception or on claredfcreception@hotmail.co.uk

Thanks Andy Gibbins - Head Groundsman

January/February Update: Pitch News



Needless to say, the weather has played a major part in the pitch and golf course's progress.

Severe drainage problems have prevented an issue that as of the 8th & 9th February, a repair on a trial area of the pitch is being carried out, to resolve this problem.

Many thanks to Mick How for his help in clearing the snow from the pitch and Tony MacLoughlin for offering his support. Many people have asked 'why the sand on the pitch?' This is to build the goal areas back up but to still allow drainage of water. An iron sulphate fertilizer will be applied to the pitch when the pitch is dry enough.

A huge thank you to the fans who organised a collection to enable us to purchase our 'Bow Dry Roller' this has been greatly appreciated.

Also, many thanks to Freight Agencies Forwarding Ltd for their kind donation of some pitch coverings which has helped with the frost in certain areas of the pitch.

Not much to report on, however one of the things that has been brought to my attention is the lack of shoe cleaning facilities for golf shoes, this is in hand. We have also had 'trespassers' accessing the course and would appreciate golfers to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to reception immediately.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to those golfers now that are repairing their pitch marks as this can only help to improve your putting surface. However bunker rakes are there for a reason as many golfers aren't using them when leaving the bunker

Thanks to those who have expressed an interest and if anyone would still like a **free** lesson with an ex PGA Pro, please see Nicola or myself, as these will be available from the Spring.

Please remember Tee off times are as follows:-

- February 9:00 am – 5:30 pm (last ticket 4:00 pm)
- March 9:00 am - 6:00 pm (last ticket 5:00 pm)

Just a polite reminder, all members must sign in at reception before going on to the greens – Thank you

Due to the snow the Turkey Trot was postponed and is now renamed 'Spring Chicken Romp' – Sunday 28th February 9am – 3pm – Entry Fee £2.00 for annual members £6.00 for non members. Details to follow.