



Golf Course Maintenance 2019

With Spring around the corner, I thought I would be a good time to update you.

Having carried our hollow coring in January, the greens have had good aeration and are in a stable condition for the time of year. We will be top dressing the surfaces just as soon as we get a series of dry days and nights, and with temperatures above the seasonal norm we may see some early growth.

We have carried out further tree maintenance and comprehensive ditch clearing.

We utilize much of February to service all of our course equipment in preparation for the season ahead. This is very time consuming, costly and very important, but having mechanically minded staff a great asset to Bishopswood.

Due to the hollow coring of the greens taking place early we will be in a position to verti-cut them during March and further top dress, this will give us a good putting surface earlier in the season, with future hollow coring taking place in August.

All tees will be verti-cut and top dressed and over seeded where required.

We may have to scarify and over seed the lower half of the 4th fairway following last years high temperatures, but this decision will not be made until we get more consistent higher ground temperatures, at that time a more accurate decision will be made.

Should the weather be on our side March/April I intend to carry out bunker remodelling on the 2nd hole.

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