

Course Maintenance- August 2019

We successfully carried out our greens maintenance with our hollow coring and top dressing program, and this will see a positive growth period taking us into Autumn.

We suffered during 2018 as many golf courses did with the high summer temperatures and dry early Winter period and it is now that we aim to carry out an over seeding program commencing September 2019. It also my intention to use our walk behind scarifier during the Autumn to remove excess thatch on the greens

We are to hire a tractor mounted over seeder that we will use on the 2nd and 4th fairways, along with any areas that are accessible on the golf course with the machinery. On the back of the over seeding we will also be turfing some of the tops of bunkers and heavily worn areas within the green complexes.

During November and December we will be further solid tining greens and tees, and verti draining fairways and approaches.

If the weather is on our side we will further deep scarify the greens during January/February in preparation for the 2020 season.

Weather and time allowing we will also be re visiting tree plantations and removing and clearing weaker species.

The above is a tremendous amount of work that I have set for my team, but I believe all is required to further improve Bishopswood and strengthen our position as one of the best nine hole golf courses in the South of England.

Kevin Pickett

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