



What's happening this week?

Monday 10th October: ESSENTIAL COURSE MAINTENANCE (hollow tinning & top dressing) you might experience some disruption to your round during the early part of the week. Apologies for any inconvenience this might cause. Please give green keepers priority.

Tuesday 11th October: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Wednesday 12th October: Ladies from 09:00 to 09:15

Friday 14th October: Seniors from 08:00 to 08:45

Friday 14th October: Alltech Signs x 24 from 10:30 to 11:015

Saturday 15th October: Mens Club Match V's Chiltern Forest from 11:30 to 12:30

Saturday 15th October : Silsoe Golf League x 20 from 12:30 to 13:15

Sunday 16th October: Winter League Round One, shotgun start at 08:30.

Dates for the diary:

Sunday Lunch

We will be serving a traditional Sunday roast throughout the winter, starting today the 9th October and continuing through to March next year.

We have decided to offer a more modern approach to Sunday lunch, rather than carvery style, your choice of meats will be plated and served to you with an assortment of vegetables and accompaniments. This will offer more space in the restaurant area, especially on winter league Sundays and more importantly it will ensure meals are fresh and better presented.

Booking is not essential but we expect to be busy especially on Winter League dates, so please feel free to reserve a table with Emma, Bob, Nathan or I...

Meat Raffle

To coincide with our Sunday Lunches we will endeavour to launch a Sunday meat raffle. Tickets for the raffle will be available throughout the week prior to the draw which will take place every Sunday at 14:00.

Tickets will be available from the bar and from the sign in desk on winter league mornings...

Grill Night

We will be launching our Grill Night, Once a month, every month, on the last Friday of the month..... Starting on the 28th October. If you haven't tried one of our Rib Eye steaks then you are missing out! They really are the best in town....

We will be offering various grilled meats and fish with all the trimmings, your choice of either starter or dessert for £19.99 before members discount.....

Winter League 2016/17

Hopefully you received the email yesterday which details the rules regarding Winter League. Please familiarize yourself with the rules before the start of competition next weekend....

It's all about the course!

We continue to invest on the course and adhere to our list of priorities. Investment spend on the course is not always obvious to the golfer although the golfer enjoys the benefits! for instance, we recently upgraded the control unit on our watering system, affording the green keepers much greater control of where, what and when we water....This recent addition not only saves time for the staff but has been part responsible for the vast improvement to certain tees and greens.

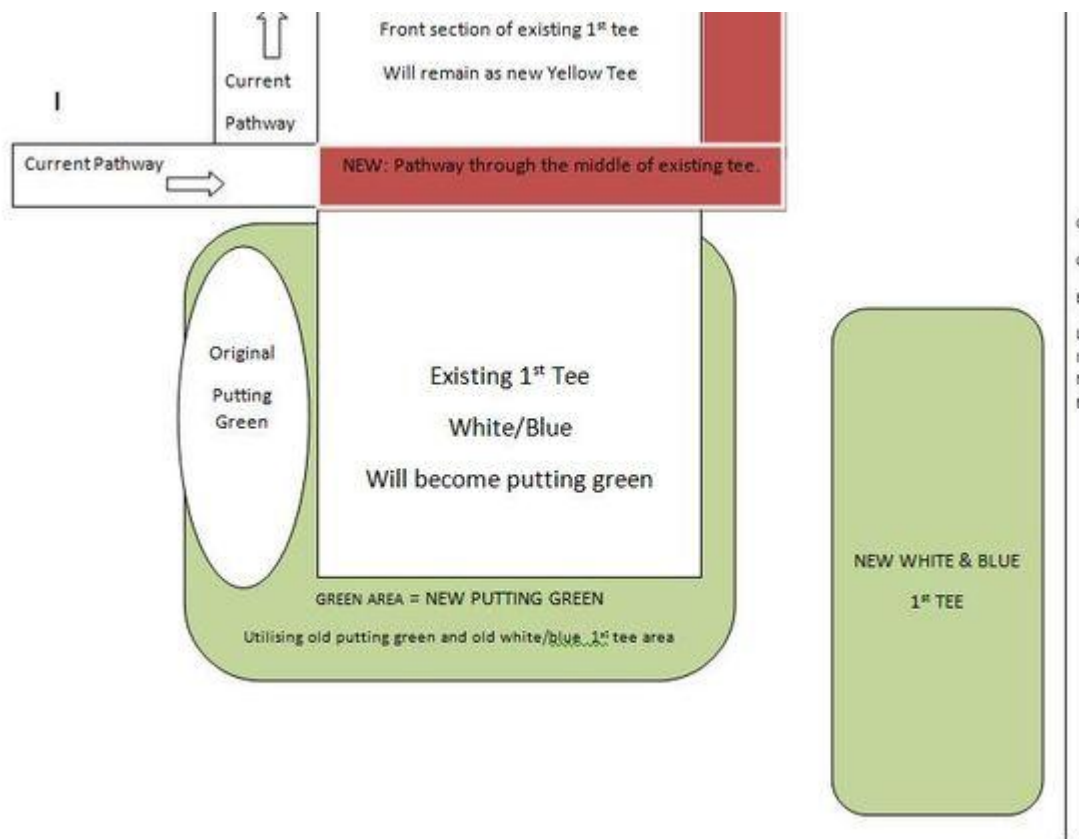
We will be hollow tining, scarifying and top dressing the greens this week. If you are playing during the week you might be unlucky and encounter the green keepers working on a specific green. You must give them priority and if necessary pick up your ball and move onto the next hole.

The divot bags are proving very successful, thank you to all those that continue to use the bags and re-fill stations. As we move into the colder months could we ask that all golfers stop replacing their divots with the section of turf removed and fill the divot with the sand/seed mixture provided. The grass doesn't grow when the ground temperature is low therefore divots do not regenerate. The sand/seed mixture however does fill the hole and will remain in place creating a better playing surface, a tidy course and the chance of growth as soon as temperatures allow.

We have just taken delivery of some new scorecards which will come into use next weekend. Please note that the rule allowing free relief from trees under two club lengths in height has been removed. Relief is only permitted when trees, bushes or shrubs are staked.

The gorse bushes on hole 15 are now in play apart from the compound nearest to the green which remains wired off. This will however be in play next year, so we have removed the rule allowing relief from gorse compounds on hole 15. You are still entitled to relief until such time as the wire is removed.

We will commence work this week on the construction of a new tee on hole number one. The design of the new tee complex allows us to nearly triple the size of the putting green by adding a new white/blue tee nearer the OOB line, creating a better pathway and an overall much improved first impression. It will mean that from tomorrow, the white/blue tees will be moved forwards and when necessary the mat will be used.



The refurbishment of the remaining 'old' bunkers continues to be our number one priority and work will begin on this years phase very soon. We await the contractor who installs the liner prior to the re-build of the rivett.

We will be adding a zig zag style pathway on hole 11, similar to the path added last winter on the 1st hole.

The car park area will be netted, shoe cleaner station added and completely surfaced with 20mm shingle.

The chipping green will shortly close. Steps will added to the bunkers as required and the area will be finished appropriately. Potentially adding astro turf hitting areas to cut down on wear and tear.

Members are reminded, when using the chipping green, please chip from within the wooden posts, DO NOT chip from outside the post/wire netted area.

We are conscious that the continued growth of certain trees on the course is making play particularly difficult. We have therefore contracted a tree surgeon to tidy up certain areas, for instance the big tree at the top of the hill that affects the 11t tee shot... etc etc.

Other News

Thanks to the Captain, Adam Smith for running Race Night on Friday.... Thanks also to the members that supported this fun night....If anyone is going racing and needs a tip, Malcolm Freed is your man!!!

Our ladies played another friendly this time at home against JOG. It seems the ladies are taking to this style of competition quite quickly....notching another win against a strong JOG team means we go into next years county shield with much confidence! Well played ladies.

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More news next week

Happy Golfing

