#### This week on the course

### **Monday 18th February**

Once a thorough check of the course was carried out, with bunkers checked and tee markers mowed we started to topdressing the greens. In this process we firstly mow the greens, then we applied the topdressing, approximately 8 tonnes across the 21 greens, once this is spread we then follow with the tractor mounted brush and matt to help work the dressing into the surface and we finally go over the green with the vibrating rollers to leave the surface as true as possible. The turf at the end of the path at the 13th was finished off.







### **Tuesday 19th February**

The usual check of bunkers and moving of tee markers was carried out with also the need to switch the greens to remove the morning dew. The damaged area on the putting green was repaired. The maintenance on the drain lines on 12 and 16 was continued today using the turf iron to help them settle further following the previous days topdressing. As members will have noticed mole hills have become an issue around the course, we cleared some of the worst effected areas such as the 15th behind the pond, on the hillside up towards the mens tee area, just past the 150 yard markers on the right hand side of the 18th fairway and in front of the 5th tee box just before the fairway.

# Wednesday 20th February

WE continued our work on the paths today, starting work on edging the path at the 4th tee area, also we topped up the paths at the 14th and the 9th holes.



# **Thursday 21st February**

Following an inspection of the course the main greens were mowed, bunkers were checked and tee markers were moved. Following a good prolonged warm and dry spell we were able to start work that would normally be carried out in the spring, this being the verti-cutting of the aprons and the scarifying of the tee boxes. Once the tees were scarified we used the tractor mounted blower to remove the debris from the surface.



# Friday 22nd February

Following the greens being mowed, the bunkers fully raked and the tee marker positions moved, the scarifying of the tee boxes was completed. With the work being completed on the tees and aprons and the forecast for further warm weather, its our target to get some fertiliser on to these surfaces in the next week or so.