

## **This week on the course**

### **Monday 25th February**

We started the day by mowing the greens, then we followed this up by spraying the greens with a mix of Liquid Nitrogen, Porthcawl and Revolution. The nitrogen is applied to help boost the growth of the greens, The Porthcawl is a organic fertiliser and soil conditioner which increases the amount of soil bacteria which promotes a dense deep rooting sward and finally the revolution is a soil surfactant which helps to stabilise water levels through the soil and helps to hold water in the soil throughout drought periods. The aprons and surrounds were mown, once they were mown the staggered red lines were redone around the greens, as mentioned before these lines are only for our reference until grass around the greens has grown in sufficiently to show definition. Also we started to cut the tees once the aprons were finished.

### **Tuesday 26th February**

Following a frosty start to the day the course was checked, bunkers and tee markers were checked and the temporary greens to come into play for a couple of hours. By 10am all the main greens were back in play and we were able to finish off the cutting of the tee boxes. The edging of the 4th path was completed and we carried out some pruning of low branches on trees on the 3rd hole. With a window of warm daytime temperatures we decided to get some fertiliser onto the aprons to try and establish growth.

### **Wednesday 27th February**

The greens were switched to remove the morning dew, bunkers and tee marker were also checked. The application of fertilisers on the aprons was completed so we moved onto feeding the tee boxes. Work on edging paths was continued with the 1st and the path to the back of the 9th green completed and commenced work on the 7th path.

### **Thursday 28th February**

The pin positions on the greens were changed and the greens were also switched. We finished the feeding of the tee boxes and also the edging of the 7th path. After checking the 12th and 16th greens it was decided that the turf had settled and rooted in sufficiently to allow for the 2 greens to be brought back into play, work will continue on these greens to help the drain lines to settle further.

### **Friday 1st March**

After an inspection of the greens it was noticed that a small amount of disease had become active so we sprayed the greens with a fungicide following mowing to combat this. The bunkers were fully raked and tee markers were moved position. The footpaths at the 7th, to the rear of the 9th green were and part of the 10th path were topped up with red track.