

## Dalewood Golf Club

Greens Committee Meeting; May 10, 2018

8:15 ~ 9:45 AM

Attendees; Neil Pemberton (Greens Chairman) Peter Wangen, Ken McDonald, Jeanne Beath, Iain Carruthers, Tyler Truest (Course Superintendant)

1. Course survived the Winter very well with only a couple of areas on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> greens slightly damaged when the snow melted in February which exposed the greens to very cold winds. (The ideal situation is for snow to come early & stay late which insulates the greens & prevents damage) Power carts were able to be used earlier than last year as the course was not nearly as waterlogged as last year.
2. Tee box discussions: The forward tee box on #8 has been enlarged & leveled out & is almost ready for use, all remaining par 3 tee boxes are being reviewed for upgrading, the white tee box on #13 is the highest priority. The forward tee box on #12 is also a concern during the Summer due to the wrong material being used when it was built, the sand used does not hold the water & dries out quickly, the problem is compounded by the sprinkler system configuration, the forward tee is on the same loop as the white tee on #12 this means if the forward tee receives enough water the white tee box becomes over watered.
3. Bridges: The walking bridges on 10, 13, 16 & 18 should be installed during the week of May 21, weather permitting. Discussions took place on the main bridges for 10 & 15 the bridges are sound however the problem is where they attach at each side of the stream, where they attach has eroded over the years & requires repairs, this means the local conservancy people have to be involved, this will potentially have an impact on what can be done & how quickly it can be done. One suggestion was to have a cart bridge installed between the left side of the walking bridge on 10 & the right side of the walking bridge on 16 & existing bridges would become temporary walking bridges.
4. Sod Farm: A plan is in place to set up a sod farm between the 1<sup>st</sup> & the 18<sup>th</sup> fairway this would allow the greens staff to repair damage to greens & fairways quickly & with the right type of grass, the sod farm would produce

different grass for fairways & greens. No date has been set for this project to start.

5. Washrooms: The washroom (corner of 6, 7 & 14) was damaged by a player attempting to unblock the toilet, this caused a pipe to dislodge causing quite a mess. (which Tyler is not looking forward to repairing) In future if a washroom is out of commission a sign will be posted at the Pro Shop, if the washroom is to be out of commission for an extended period a portable toilet will be used.
6. Greens Staff safety: Tyler has asked us to remind everyone that when they approach greens staff working on the course they make eye contact with them to ensure the staff can observe miss hit balls coming in their direction, Tyler was also asked to remind greens staff to wear the hard hats they are provided with as it is for their own safety.
7. Divot repair: There is a possibility for us to use high school students who require volunteer hours completion, to repair divot damage on the course, this is being investigated at this time.
8. All projects discussed during the meeting will be priced & prioritized before any work begins.