

## GREENS TEAM REPORT

We now have a strong team of 12 volunteers, which includes a new member we have just recruited, supported by 2 experts in Bowls Green Management. It would be prudent for us to have more volunteers to train for the use of the comprehensive machinery that we own, we are expectant that the Management Committee will take a proactive approach to achieving this.

We have started the process of rectifying the damage caused by the autumn renovations carried out by the contractors, who thankfully have been dismissed.

In December we started the necessary actions to promote root growth and have managed to slit tine, scarify and mow both the top and bottom greens twice. In addition we have been able take the necessary actions to treat the high concentration of moss on the bottom greens and spray treatments to help with root growth.

We are starting to see an improvement, albeit small, but it is going to be a difficult challenge on the bottom green.

The main mower has now been sent to Lister Wilder for servicing and our back up mower has been serviced ready to work on the greens.

January has brought us frozen ground and grass which has made it impossible to repeat the actions we need to achieve.

We should point out that with the expertise we have in the team, we will be able to maintain the sprayer in perfect operational condition and therefore it will be an unnecessary expense to replace it as previously envisaged.

The Greens Team will benefit in future from free soil analysis from our second expert who provides the chemicals we need going forward, in addition to advice on actions needed.

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