



MOUNT PLEASANT GOLF CLUB



COURSE REPORT – JULY 2017

WEATHER/CONDITIONS

The total rainfall in July is 87mm, which is quite a bit above average for the month. This is the first time we have had above average rainfall for about a year! The first half of the month was still dry, following on from a dry spring but from the 12th onwards we have had 10 days of rain, with some being quite heavy. We had 25mm on Saturday 29th but the course coped very well. Only 3 greens were slightly flooded in the morning and after some clearing we still managed to get them cut ready for play.

All areas of the course have benefitted from the rainfall, especially tees and fairways, where we don't have irrigation. We also haven't watered the greens for 2 weeks so consequently the pond in front of the 2nd tee has started to fill up again.

Despite the recent rainfall we managed to increase the green speed for Presidents Day up to 10.5 by having another Greens roller on demo for a few days. We are very pleased with the condition of the course in general and the greens have been excellent, as usual!!

GREENS

On 3rd the greens were solid tined using ½ inch tines down to 5 inches deep

Also verti-cut at ½ mm deep to remove lateral growth and improve ball roll

On 4th the greens were top dressed with sand and drag matted in to improve surface levels.

On 5th the greens were drag matted again

On 10th the greens were hand watered using wetting agent to improve the drier areas

On 11th the greens were sprayed with a wetting agent and liquid aeration to help water penetration and distribution

On 19th the greens were sprayed with compost tea and extra liquid fertiliser to improve grass growth

On 24th the greens were star slit and rolled

TEES

On 20th the tees were sprayed with the 2nd brew compost tea, liquid fertiliser and a plant growth regulator

On 24th the tees were verti-cut to reduce lateral growth

On 27th all tees were divoted with soil and seed mix

FAIRWAYS /ROUGH

All fairways have been cut as and when necessary

OTHER AREAS/JOBS

Cut bunker banks, trim edges and move sand forwards

Trim hedge at 1st tee and putting green

Trim and tidy sprinkler heads

Hedger hired in to cut and re-shape hedges – broke down and will be back to finish soon!!

JOBS TO DO IN AUGUST

Star slit greens regularly (Mondays)

Apply wetting agent to the greens on 15th or 16th

Apply Compost tea plus additives to the greens on 23rd

Apply 2nd brew Compost tea to the tees on 24th

Hand water greens if necessary

If weather becomes drier then the height of cut may be raised on the greens

Any questions, please feel free to ask, email or write below. I'm happy to talk about any issues you may have with the course.

Thank you.

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Please feel free to add constructive comments/questions below.

Name	Comments / Questions