

IN-HOUSE WINTER WORK - 2023/2024



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 3

**Thin out the area on the
LHS of the 3rd fairway, at
the top, by the 7th tee
complex.**

**Most are self-seeded and
a couple of the Silver
Birch are dying.**

**ALL SPECIMEN TREES
RETAINED**



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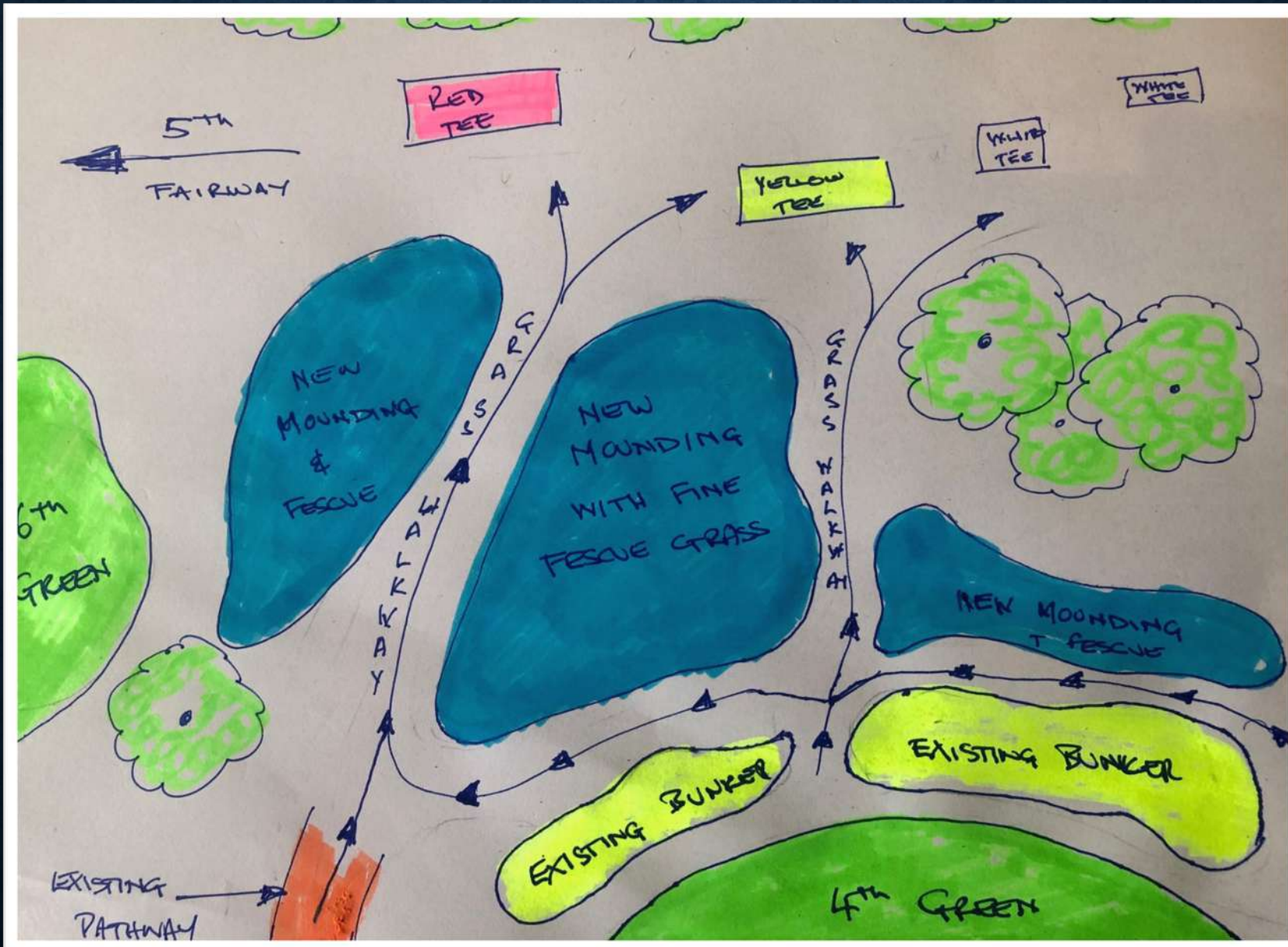
**Ash Trees to the RHS of
the 3RD fairway –
suffering from Die-
Back.**

**Unfortunately these are
just 2 examples and we
have many other Ash
trees around the course
suffering from Die-
Back.**

**We will remove these
when we have the time.**



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 4



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 5

The 2 Maple trees
(one of which is
diseased) will be
removed.

As can be seen, they
are damaging the
first cut of
semi-rough



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 5

We will be removing the Common Douglas Fir to the LHS of the green.
This is causing considerable damage to the playing surface.
We cannot improve or maintain the run-off in this area.



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 5

(Dependant on time being available this winter)

The Rhododendrons in this border are dying.

Our intention (time permitting) is to remove this bed and build a bank, approx. 2mtrs high and similar to the bank to the RHS of the 5th green. This will have Fescue grass finish.

This bank will screen the 6th tee complex and we will create walkways through the bank to the 6th tees



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 7

We will be removing the Silver Birch and Turkey Oaks from the stand of Douglas Firs.

They are strangling and having a detrimental effect of the fine Douglas Firs.

Their removal will allow the quality Firs to flourish.



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 7th/8th

We will be thinning out the self seeded spindly trees to the LHS of the 7th Green and close to the 8th Tee Boxes.

This work is a continuation of the work done to the remainder of this area and the LHS of the 2nd Fairway.

**ANY SPECIMEN TREES
WILL BE RETAINED**



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 10

We will be removing 2 Sweet Chestnut trees to the LHS of the 10th green.

These trees are casting large shadows over the green, which during the winter months, is detrimental to the health of the green and the new run-off areas that we have created around the 10th green.

They also drop large husks in the autumn, which damage the Surround Mowers.



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 11

We will be removing
the poor quality Poplar
tree to the LHS of the
11th fairway.



WORK TO BE CARRIED OUT ON HOLE 12

We will continue the clearance work to the small and self seeded trees to the RHS of the 12th fairway (behind the Laurel hedge), to open up more views from the 12th hole.

ANY MATURE SPECIMENT TREES WILL BE RETAINED.

The work will commence by the 12th green and work backwards towards the corner/elbow of the 12th fairway.

The Laurel hedge will not be removed until the clearance work is complete.

REMOVE THE COPSE BETWEEN HOLES 17 & 18

Why will we be removing all of the trees in the copse between 17 & 18, apart from 2 young and healthy Scots Pine, which will be retained as they are planted in a suitable location and will not impact the course as they mature.

1. Our appointed Course Architect, Tim Lobb, has provided us with a master plan for the Course Evolution.
This Master Plan has been approved and adopted by The Board.

Part of his plan for the 18th hole is the removal of the Copse so that the 18th green and face bunkers are visible from the 18th tee complex.

This was Harry Colt's intention – to make the imposing Green and Bunker complex visible from the 18th tees, even though the tees were originally in a different location.

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2. John Nicholson, our appointed Arborist, states in his Woodland Management Plan:

“The trees in the copse on the slope to right of the fairway are generally of poor quality [*2 or 3 Ash trees are suffering from Die-Back, 1 or 2 Silver Birch are dead and 1 or 2 Turkey Oaks have split trunks; all require removal*], but essentially have a detrimental effect on numerous holes by blocking views to and from the clubhouse – in particular from the 18th tee complex.

The green setting and finish at Tandridge is one of the best in the south of England but has been compromised by the trees. The drama of the green complex, topography and strategy have all been diminished.

The trees are also having a detrimental effect on the agronomy of the rough and will eventually create grassland that is rank and unplayable.

The trees should be removed to reveal the wonderful finishing hole that Colt designed”.

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3. It is impossible for us to drive machinery in this area and collect grass cuttings as the trees are too close to each other and this area used to be full of bunkers.

These depressions still exist and are dangerous to drive over.

As a result, we cannot keep this area clear of lush meadow grasses, weeds or brambles.

We are going to fill all of the old bunkers and grade the slope so that we can get our machines on it and cut & collect 2 or 3 times a year.

This will encourage the fine fescue grasses over a period of 1 or 2 years.

As a result, the bank will be similar to the first 50/75 yards or bank, where our work over the past couple of years has resulted in better grasses and minimised the ball loss from errant tee shots off the 17th tee and tee/2nd shots when playing the 18th.

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Why are we doing this work now ?

Every year, the winter months are the time we carry out major work on the course.

This winter, 2023/24, in preparation of our full Centenary golf program, we will be concentrating on getting the course into great condition for next year.

As a result, we will not be doing any major work that requires earth moving and/or returfing to the main playing areas of the course.

Therefore, with the approval of the Board, we are using this period to bring forward some planned tree work which will have an impact on the course without causing major disruption.

CURRENT VIEW OF 18TH FROM ALL TEE BOXES



VIEW OF 18th GREEN WITH TREES REMOVED



VIEW OF 18TH GREEN BEFORE & AFTER TREE REMOVAL



TREE PLANTING

We have some 50/60 acres of untouched woodland on our estate which is a haven for wildlife, trees and flowers. We leave these areas to naturally mature as they do not impact the golf course.

However, we are conscious of our obligations to replace trees that we remove from the golf course. We have already planted Scots Pines around the course and will continue to do so in suitable areas of the course and to replace trees that naturally die. We have also identified areas away from the course where we can do some planting of saplings.



Additionally, we have partnered with the Woodland Trust.

This year, we have committed to planting 100 new native trees, both on our own estate in areas that won't impact the golf course and by supporting their tree planting initiative in schools up and down the country.

Many thanks for
taking the time to
attend this
presentation.