**Course Report October 2020**

* David, John, and Martin Watt are still doing reduced hours as part of the flexi furlough scheme.
* The fairways have now all been verti-drained and the semi-rough will be aerated using the big slitter.
* Leaf clearance is now in full swing and will continue until the end of December.
* The tees have been scarified using the fairway scarifier to remove organic matter from the top 20mm.
* The greens have had their first application of their liquid feed consisting of iron, potassium, and calcium.
* The winter greens have been cut.
* Course protection has started, and few areas have already been roped off. Two 60-meter spools of yellow rope are on order to complete this task.
* The tees and some of the fairways have been divoted.
* On 14-Oct-20, Club Captain Paul Rafferty had on on-site meeting with Mark Smith of Scottish Canals. He confirmed that within the next few weeks the trees and branches causing obstruction in the upstream section will be removed. He is also committed to putting our case forward for cleaning out downstream.

**2020-21 Course improvement programme**

The course walk round has been arranged for Sunday 25-Oct-20 at 10:30 am. After this, the course improvement plan will be drafted. However As we look to prepare this year’s winter programme, key questions will have to be answered before

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1. The winter greens to be GUR when not in use.
2. Old Pins without foam inserts to be used on the winter greens.
3. Winter tees will be put in place, as soon it is practical.
4. Going forward we should look to astro-turf the front sections of tees for future winter use. This could be done over 2-3 winter programmes.