



Montrose Golf Links

Winter Play Information
Update 30th October 2020

WINTER PLAY

Both courses will revert to fairway mats on the 1st November 2020 and the courses will be played to full length. If you require a mat, you can purchase one from the Professional Shop for £6.50. Winter greens will be in use as and when they are required in order to protect our courses. Winter tees will come into play from the start of January 2021.

WINTER PROGRAMME

Paths

Paths will be astroturfed at the 6th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 16th on the 1562 Course. We have a limited amount of astro turf so not every path is able to be replaced/repared.

Gorse Clearance

Gorse work around tees especially back of the 9th on 1562 Course and areas of the Broomfield Course, as this was due to start prior to lockdown in March. The walkways and tracks used by the greenkeepers and many other areas also need attention.

Bunker Work

Bunker repair work will take place over the 1562 Course at the following holes:

- 3 bunkers at the 4th
- Greenside bunker at 5th
- 1st fairway bunker at the 14th and both bunkers at the right hand side of the green.

Maintenance works

Aeration on the greens will take place every month (normally last week of the month).

All tees and fairways will have aeration during the winter period.

Topdressing and spraying will be completed when weather allows.

BROOMFIELD 9TH TEE

The Broomfield 9th hole will revert to approximately 180 yards from Monday 2nd November 2020 with the tee position being located near the Junior Black tees. The reason for this is we at MGLL are monitoring a possible safety issue arising from wayward golf balls exiting the course beyond the present boundary. This will allow us to see if this tee location limits the number of golf balls exiting the course.

We remind you that if a ball exits the course beyond the boundary on the 9th fairway it is the responsibility of the golfer to report this to the professional shop at the end of the game. Golfers are reminded of the need to shout 'fore' in the event that a ball has been struck out of play or in the direction of fellow golfers or members of the public.

We will continue to monitor the situation and you will be informed of further changes, which are considered necessary.

PITCHMARKS

Can we again ask everyone to repair their pitchmarks and divots to keep our courses in the best condition possible. If we all repair our pitchmarks then our courses will be even better.

We would therefore ask you to remember the following the next time you play: -

- a. Repair pitchmarks - this includes any you see which may not be your own!
- b. Pick up broken tees
- c. Replace your divots
- d. Smooth the sand in the bunker after playing your shot - using your foot or a club
- e. Keep up with the group playing in front of you
- f. Play your shot only when it is safe to do so

For more information on repairing Pitchmarks please visit

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GuYXMn4tA10>