

Greens Committee Report 2023/24

All Ballarat Clubs greens were inspected over three days in September with most being in very favourable conditions. A few of the greens were not prepared for our inspection as they had not been cut and rolled. A lot of greens are in very good condition compared to previous years with plenty of cover on the surface. Just looking at the condition of most greens we should have some very playable surfaces to play on during pennant this year if the wet weather stays away. If their condition continues to improve we should have plenty of greens available for Regional events and finals to choose from. Most of the Clubs had working thermometers in their boxes with some needing to change some batteries.

Inspection Details				Overall Greens Details			Grading by Surface Type					Grading Definitions
Inspection Date	No. of Clubs	No. of Greens Inspected	No. of Rinks	Surface Types	No. of Greens	No. of Rinks	A	B	C	D	E	
26-Sep-23	9	16	124	Bent	11	86	1	8	0	1	1	A - Very Good
27-Sep-23	9	13	102	Couch	12	92	0	8	4	0	0	B - Good
28-Sep-23	6	13	98	Sand Infill	12	94	11	1	0	0	0	C - Average
				Carpet	7	53	6	1	0	0	0	D - Poor but Playable
Totals	24	42	325		42	325	18	18	4	1	1	E- Unplayable

All Highlands Clubs greens were inspected over the day in October with most being in very favourable conditions. A couple of the greens were not prepared for our inspection and nobody in attendance. A lot of greens are in very good condition with plenty of cover on the surface of the grass greens. Just looking at the condition of most greens they should have some very playable surfaces to play on during pennant this year. If their condition continues to improve they should have plenty of greens available for Regional events and finals to choose from. Most of the Clubs had working thermometers in their boxes with some needing to change some batteries. A few of the clubs seemed to be missing 2 metre marks on their greens. Gisborne was missing all marks but the person attending our inspection stated that they put flags out when playing pennant. Most clubs were surprised about the inspections as they had never had them done before.

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25-Oct-23	11	14	111	Bent	0		0	0	0	0	0	A - Very Good
				Couch	8	63	1	5	0	0	2	B - Good
				Sand Infill	2	16	2	0	0	0	0	C - Average
				Carpet	4	32	4	0	0	0	0	D - Poor but Playable
Totals	11	14	111		14	111	7	5	0	0	2	E- Unplayable

Thanks to all of the Greens Committee Members for their time doing greens inspections over the season

Ian Hedger

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