May 2026 Newsletter

Greens Assistants Course

At the last meeting of the Greens Care Committee, it was decided to finalize the preparations for the long-awaited Greens Assistants course. The Course will comprise of three practical modules held in a number of locations to minimise travelling time to the venues. There are still places available, and anyone who hasn't already expressed interest should contact Trevor Wheeler, either by Whatsapp on 072 992 4019 or by email to wpbgreens@gmail.com .

Final details will be completed by the end of June 2026 and the course will commence in August 2026.

Fertilizers

Following the disruptions to oil exports from the middle east, it is likely that a knock-on effect apart from petrol and diesel price increases, will be an increase in manufactured fertilizer prices. There are a number of organic alternatives that provide good results, which may not suffer that same anticipated increase in price. For example, a mixture of GroBest and Molasses can be applied to a green (1 lire of each mixed with 50 litres of water) using a backpack. It is not necessary to water this mixture in, saving water at the same time. Other products such as kelp and Urea which are nitrogen rich can also be used. You are advised to check the application details of these products.

Levels

It has become apparent that many Clubs are not taking levels every two years, resulting in a lower grading of their greens, (an immediate loss of 20% of the available marks). We have recently purchased a laser level which reduces the time required to take a green's levels. For further information and help, please contact a member of the Greens Care Committee for assistance.

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