MAY NEWSLETTER

W.P. Greens Standing Committee

Greens evaluation.
In order to maintain the high standard of greens in the Western Province, and to provide additional support to our Club Greenkeepers, we intend visiting all of our Clubs over the next six weeks.
We have chosen to do this now, as this is a **relatively** quiet time for many of the Clubs and it precedes the annual renovation programme which, for some Clubs, starts as early as August.

Over the next few weeks, one of the members of our Greenscare Committee will be approaching your President and Greenkeeper to arrange a convenient time for an evaluation visit. Depending on the number of greens at your disposal, the visit should not take more than an hour.

In order to prepare for the visit, we would ask your Club to:

- Prepare at least one of your greens as if for play ie running surface and banks cut and ditches cleaned
- Allow access to all greens equipment
- Provide level readings taken within the past three years.

Regarding the taking of levels, all Clubs will have been advised of the Cubitt Levels Programme which requires readings taken at 2.5m intervals. If you do not have records of acceptable levels, we would urge you to arrange for these to take place preferably before our visit but no later than 7 June 2019. As levels contribute to 30% of a Club's rating score, non- compliance obviously has consequences for the Club's grading.

It would be appreciated if the Club Greenkeeper and his staff be present during the visit. Time will be set aside for a brief discussion after the evaluation, should this be necessary.
Within a week of the evaluation, the Club will be provided with the evaluation results and recommendations regarding possible action to be taken.