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GREENKEEPING - MAKING MAINTENACE A BIT EASIER

Tips and tricks that can help ease the pressure's of maintaining a golf course

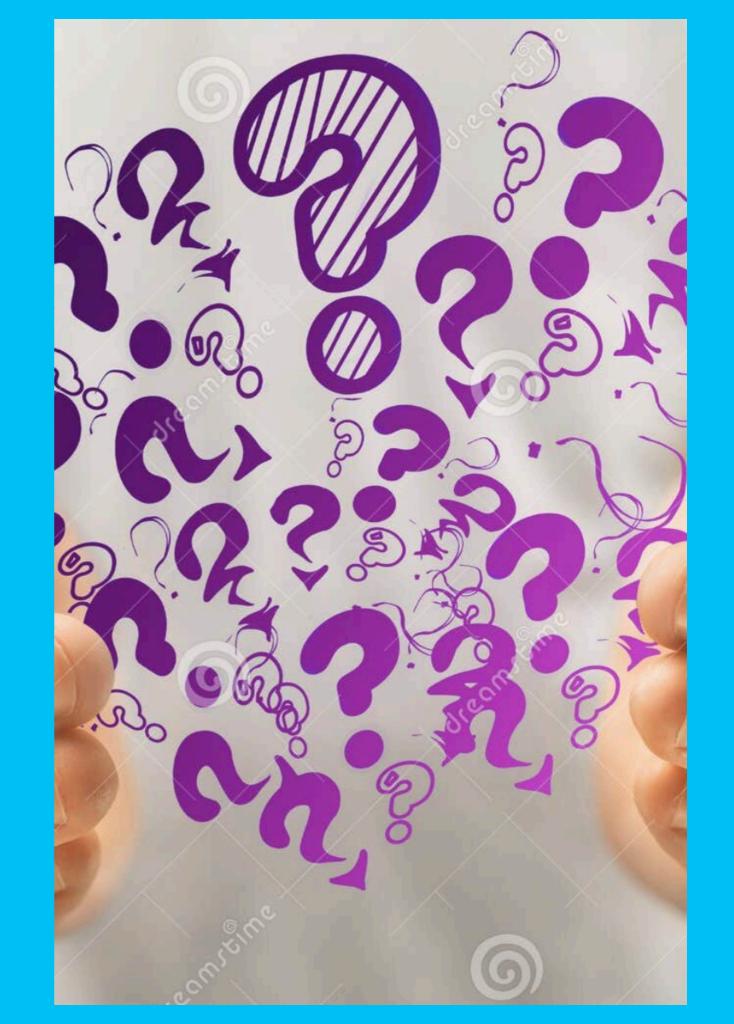
GREENKEEPING-DIFFICULTY TO FIND PEOPLE

- Unknown profession
- Early mornings
- Weekend work
- Outdoor physical work
- Limited starting wages



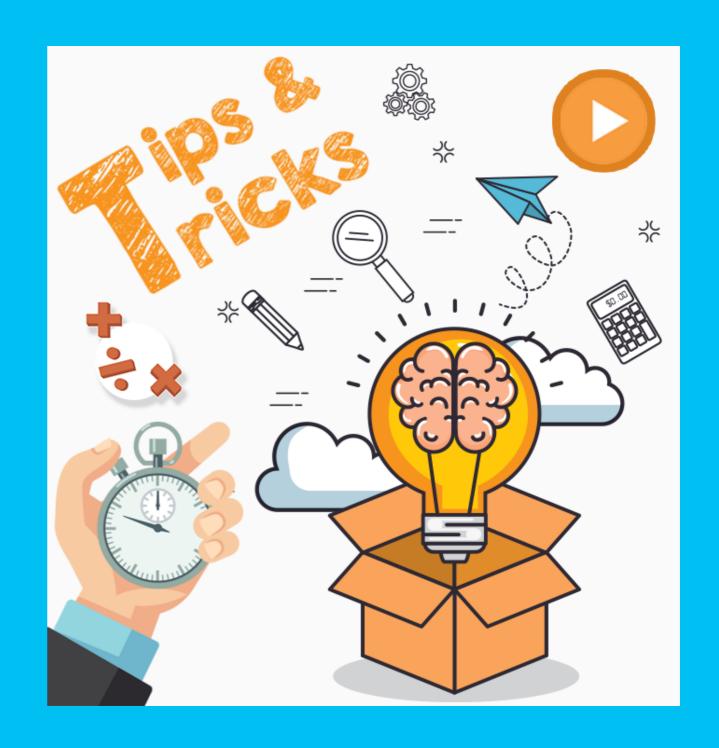
GREENKEEPING NEEDING TO FIND WAYS TO DO THE SAME WORK WITH LESS PEOPLE

- Prioritise
- Efficient Planning
- Understand we can't do everything



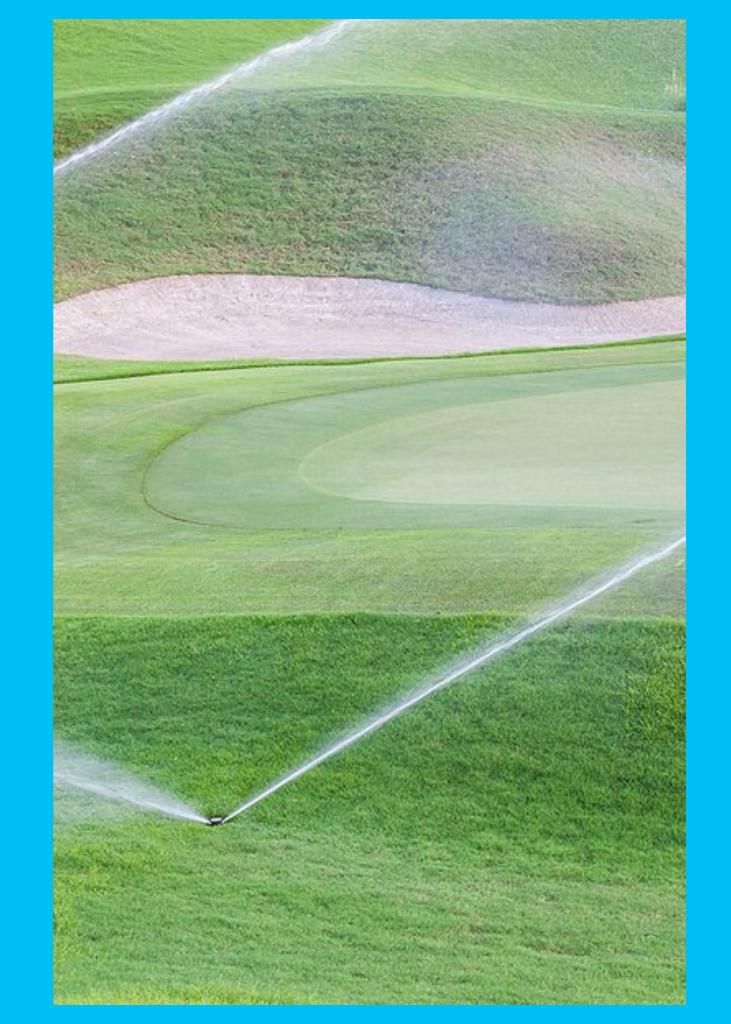
GREENKEEPING-IDEA'S THAT MAY MAKE LIFE EASIER

- Time saving
- Less stress



GREENKEEPING DEW PROGRAM

- Quick removal of dew
- Reduce disease attacks
- Staff can focus on mowing tasks



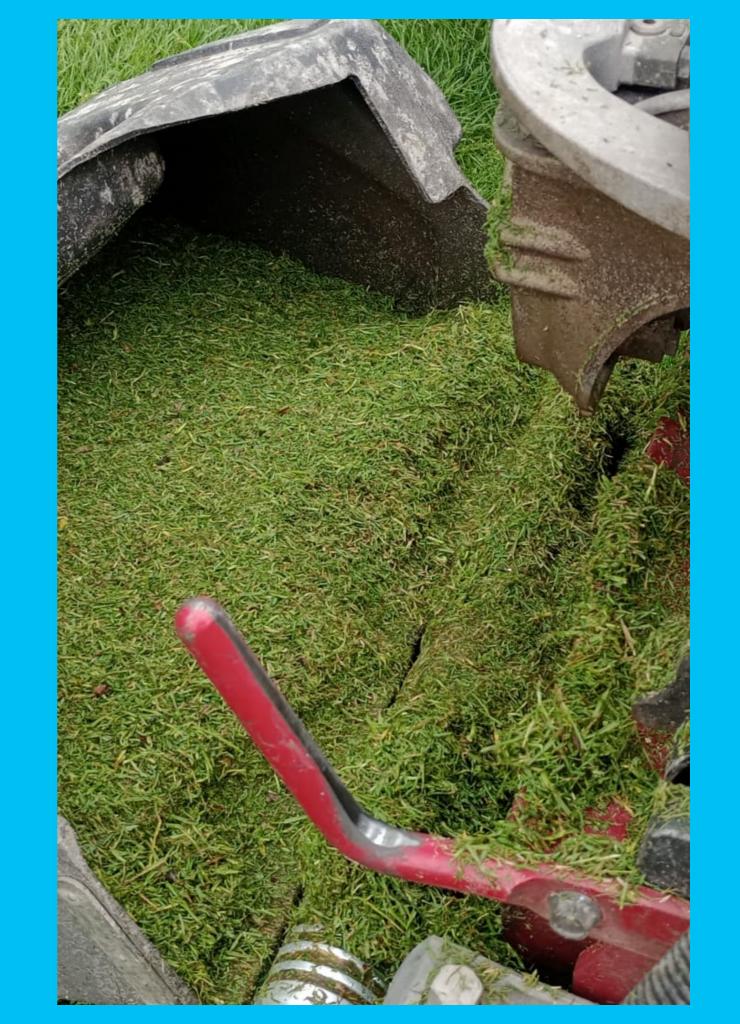
GREENKEEPING USE THE WINTER FOR SUMMER PREPARATION

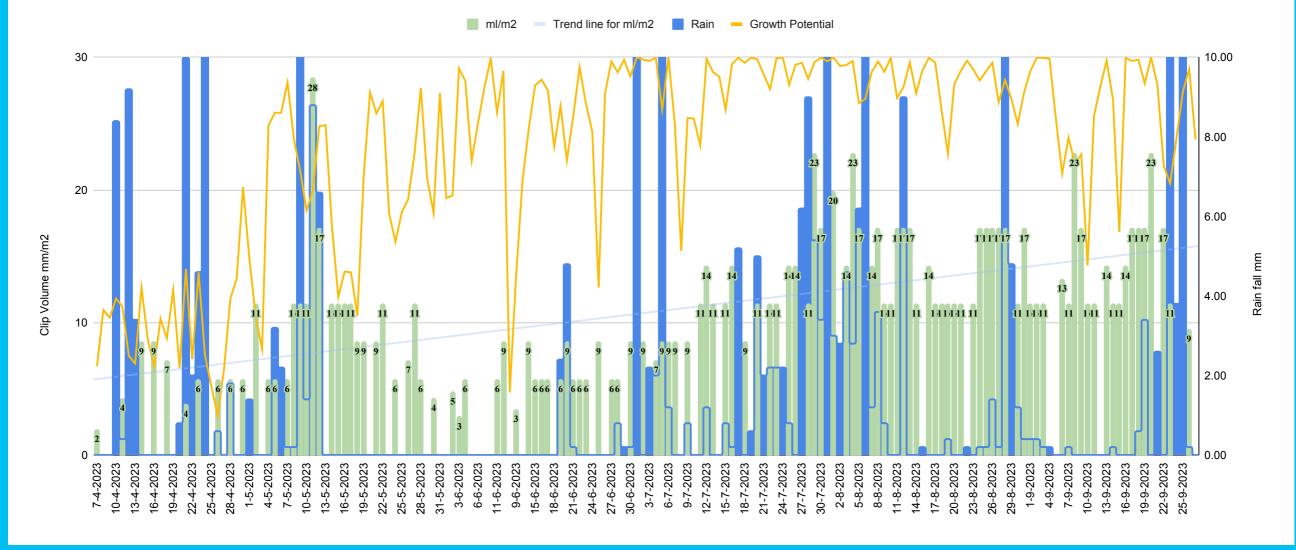
- Overseeding greens
- Topdressing greens
- Topdressing fairways



GREENKEEPING CLIPPING VOLUME

- Easy stimp speed (9+)
- Less mowing
- Less spray applications
- Reduced disease
- Putting greens requiring less work but with improved quality



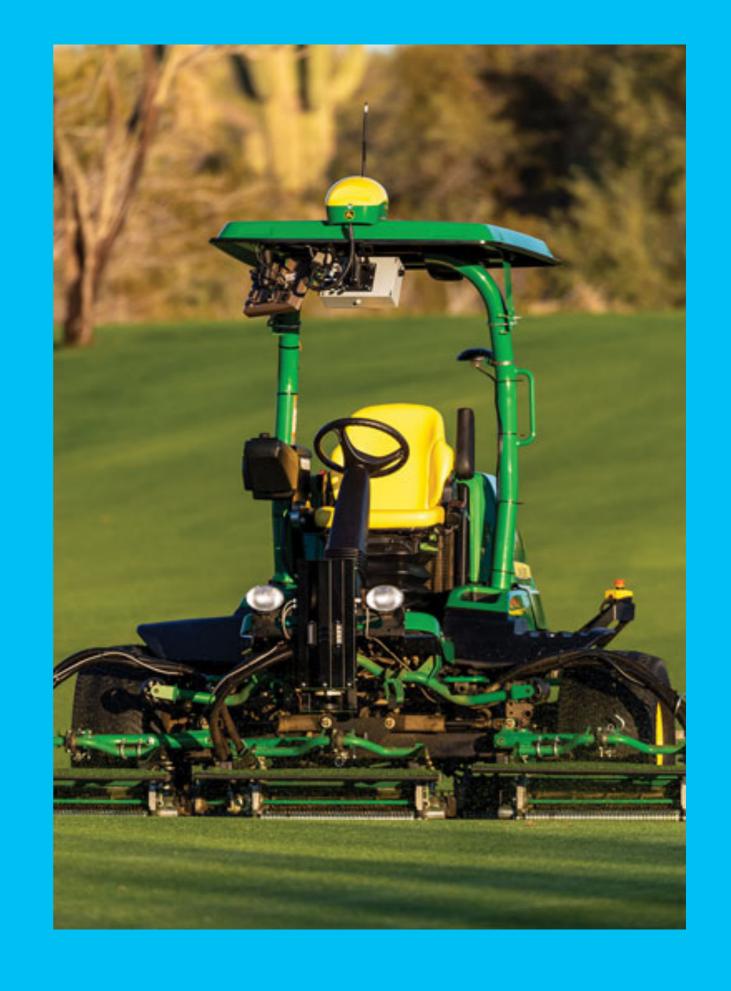


<u> Aim -</u>

- Balanced clipping volume to growth potential.
- After June clipping volume average no more then 15 ml/m2.
- Year average clipping volume 10 ml/m2 (dependent on average growth potential)

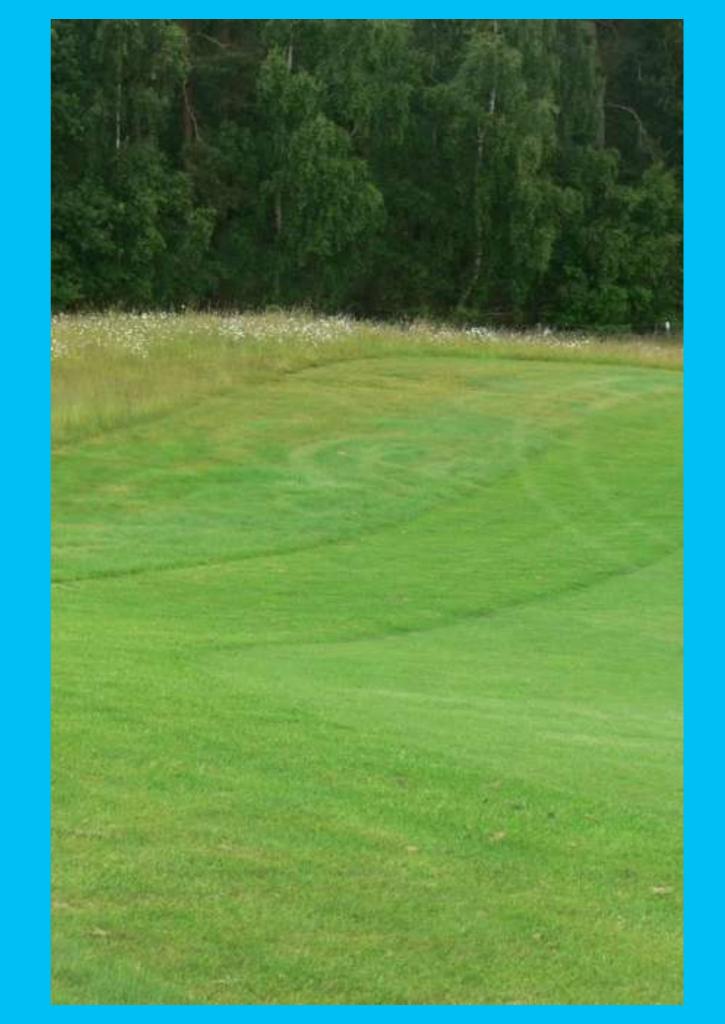
GREENKEEPING-ROBOTS CAN MOW BIGGER FAIRWAYS

- Robot is not bothered
- Less rough to mow for the human
- Happier golfers
- Golf play moves faster



GREENKEEPING SEMI ROUGH, DO YOU NEED IT?

- Is it really a priority
- Will it be missed
- More time on other areas



GREENKEEPING-ROUGH HIGHT OF CUT

- How high do you mow your rough?
- Golf ball diameter = 4cm
- Can you mow lower?
- How fast does your rough grow ?
- Faster the rough grass grows = mow it lower



GREENKEEPING REDUCING NITROGEN APPLICATIONS

- How much time do you spend a month spraying greens?
- Is it needed?
- Is there another way?
- Are you creating more work for yourself?



