

# Maintenance Report

## Mid April- Mid May 21

The Management of La Marquesa Golf reports on the work carried out during the last month on the course.

- The usual mowing of the field has been carried out. There has been a slight delay a few weeks due to the rains, but the mowing have recovered in the following weeks.
- Regarding the rains, that fell only in the week of mid-April, more than 34 litres fell in a couple of days, which is many litres, but it was a good rain without causing any damage in the field.
- It has been achieved that there are small dry areas on the greens (less green areas) which tells us that now we are watering just enough and not too much. Certain droughts that were on the greens have been pitted in order to allow the water to reach deeper with the rain
- The collection of palm tree prunings has been completed.
- The right area of the driving range has been cleaned. It prevents damages to the net and also facilitates the collection of balls.
- The ditch on the right side of driving range has been cleaned.
- The curb on the side of the green on the 9th has been completed to prevent players from passing through the fairway. This can be a bit annoying for players to have to walk a little longer to the 10th tee, but it was necessary for their own safety.
- The lakes have been treated with bacteria to eliminate the algae. This is a medium-term treatment, that is, it takes more than a month for them to be eliminated. Carps have also been included to speed up the disappearance of algae
- Rainy days have been used to paint stakes as well as push trolleys
- Cleaning of sprinkler edges continues
- The bunker on hole 9 has been completed by lifting the slope. It has been really good and with a clear view from the yellow tee. (from red it already looked good)

- Regarding the palm trees cut from number 4, the stumps have been removed, covering them well with soil to prevent them from being seen on the one hand and on the other to prevent the cutting machine from receiving any damage during the mowing. Likewise, the trunks of the cut palm trees have been removed
- The back part of the green of the 3 is being dismantled. This work is done in order to correctly differentiate where the course ends. In the future it is planned to fence the entire golf course to avoid walkers in the afternoons, so we will have already defined the area of where the fence should go.
- Regarding the new sawgrass tee, although now it seems that it is left and with weeds, I want to comment that it is being consciously left. The appearance is horrible but when the seed can be planted we will fumigate it before, killing the broad leaf, and we will seed but we must wait for the soil temperature to rise a little.
- Another micro- solid tine was made on the greens. This is a job that will be done continuously, occasionally applying a verticut and a small top dressing to achieve greater consistency on the greens, which we are achieving.
- The area adjacent to the putting green has been arranged, placing a bench and adorning it with plants. The intention is for it to be a rest area for when practicing on the putting green or for those accompanying them to have a comfortable area to be.
- The 10th tee access has been fixed. We have planted lavender and thyme, shrubs that later need no maintenance, have a pleasant smell and are visually attractive.
- The pipes in the lateral area of 14<sup>th</sup> hole have been diverted and the trees that were there have been transplanted
- 9 phoenix palms have been removed to move them to the right area of hole 14.
- The greens have been fumigated but it has not ended due to the tank-machine rupturing. This is important because we have detected fusarium and a bit of Dollar. This is due to the rare weather there has been, so much rain and rising temperatures, but it has been detected in time and also, cutting the irrigation of the greens, they will have less humidity and we will avoid these infections.
- The field is being defined with the trimmed machine. An operator every day goes out to the field with this machine to improve the appearance of the same. It is the machine that best defines areas and reflects an aspect of care.

- On the other hand, we are having a higher level of machinery breakdowns, which is normal with increasing mowing. This has caused us to sometimes be late in certain cuts, such as in the rough that are continuous mowing, but that we hope has not been noticed much in the field.
- The park in front of the offices, next to the parking, as well as the area where the supermarket goes up to the club, has been cleared.
- New maintenance is being carried out in the bunkers, improving their appearance and facilitating their subsequent maintenance.
- With bunkers, if we look, for example, at the green on the 18th hole, the one most visible from the club, the grass is entering the bunker. This happens because the edge was removed when wanting to bring the grass to the sand itself. The maintenance of this type is very high because it forces us to have to fumigate the edges to avoid invasion, the cut has to be done with floating machines and the time per bunker is very high. Also, it has to be a perfect maintenance for it to look good. With all this it has been decided to keep the bunkers with a slight edge of definition. This will facilitate maintenance and also improve the appearance of the bunkers. This project is going to be carried out little by little in all the bunkers along the course and, in the end, they will have a more careful appearance, giving a quality touch to the course, we avoid the excessive use of fungicides, achieving more environmentally sustainable course and better maintenance. This is to return to the original bunkers that have been in the club.
- Regarding the game, it will affect that the ball will rarely roll out of the bunker, making the game more fair (it is a hazard after all) but it will prevent, as in the bunkers near the ditches, that the ball after falling into the bunker roll and end up in the ditch.
- There has been a cleaning of several solenoid valves that have been stuck in these days. They have been cleaned and the sprinkler cleaning plan is continuing. With this, better irrigation in the field will be achieved, being more uniform and avoiding flooding.
- Oversanding of several tees has continued to achieve greater uniformity.
- Training has been started for our greenkeepers, who will receive continuous maintenance training, so that they are updated with the latest golf course maintenance techniques and trends. We see this point as important, since it is a sector of the industry in which progress is made day by day, with new techniques,

disease treatments, machinery, etc., and it will be achieved that, applying the new knowledge acquired, have a better level of maintenance in our field.

I hope you have founded the course in better conditions every day and....GOODS PUTTS!!!

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PD: Photos of several of the mentioned works are attached









