

Lindrick Golf Club, Lindrick Common, Nr. Worksop.

To "Goblin", Dear Sir,

About 25 years ago we had a hand sweeper called "Goblin" and "Devil's Advocate" is as much behind the times as that sweeper.

When I took over here after the war there were so many weeds that if all the members had turned out daily we would have been at it for years. So what did we do? We called in Bingley as a little bird had whispered to me that they had been working on selective weed killers to rid grass of all weeds. I straight away got my club to buy suitable spraying equipment so that we could do our own spraying when the weather was suitable. If a contractor is called in he has to do the spraying irrespective of the weather. Consequently, he tends to use a weed killer that will stand a certain amount of rain and which I do not think gives as good a "kill".

We sprayed all the greens, tees, fairways and semi-rough every year until 1960. Since then we have "spot" treated as we now have to look for weeds and it is not worth while spraying all over.

With weed killers such as these available, "Goblin" puzzles me on his course when he says they have a lot of weeds now as surely they could not have had many weeds in the old days if they hand weeded the fairways.

Yours faithfully, G. Herrington, Head Greenkeeper. 58 Abingdon Road, Drayton, Nr. Abingdon on Thames, Berkshire.

The Editor, Dear Sir,

Thank you so much for the Greetings Telegram which you kindly sent on the occasion of my Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Whilst writing may I take the opportunity of wishing continued success to the Journal, which by the way I still read with great interest.

Yours very truly, C. C. Prickett.

Very glad to have news of you, Charles. You were at a Committee Meeting forty years ago in London with Tom Bridges and Tom Mason, and must, with them, be one of our most senior members.

It was always good to play at Frilford Heath when you were in charge.

I still remember that half-crown you gave me when the Greenkeepers' Tournament was at Sundridge Park in 192?. With compound interest, it is now worth nearly $6/8\frac{1}{2}$ but does not go anything like so far.

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