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22 CRANHAM GARDENS,
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NR. UPMINSTER,
ESSEX.

Dear Sir,

When visiting other Golf Courses around Essex, I have always taken note of the state of the winter greens. A lot of them are not very good.

We at Upminster Golf Club have some of the best winter greens in the country. We have drained and levelled them, and they are cut every week right through the cutting season at the same length as the main greens.

I can find no good excuse for not finding the time to get winter greens in good playing order. There is a tremendous amount of work to do on any golf course especially when one is short staffed, but there is no good cause to neglect this important aspect, now that so much more golf is played during the winter months.

Quoting any head greenkeeper I dread to think what golf courses will be like in another ten years. There are so many lazy golfers today, hacking the course to bits. The people who do it are the very first to complain when the course is not as good as it should be.

I have watched many golfers take out a divot about eight inches long and walk away without putting it back. I see red.

Yours faithfully,

RON SIMMONDS.

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