

Minchinhampton Golf Club in the Cotswolds is proposing to purchase 130 acres for a second 18 holes. But the scheme envisages maintaining the present golf course, which is on common land and crossed by several roads. This would be kept open for those wanting an occasional round or to learn how to play the game. If the scheme goes through, Minchinhampton will be the first golf club in Gloucestershire to have 36 holes.

Wigtown and Bladnock Golf Club in Scotland have decided to buy their golf course, which is now owned by the Town Council. The Council is asking £3,750,

so it looks a good bargain.

Teignmouth Golf Club's professional, Leslie Dymond, received a little-known trophy last month. He is now the Plymouth Gin Professional of the Year. Mr Dymond has served the club for more than 40 years.

Berwick Town Council has accepted in principle a scheme to develop the

present Magdalene Fields Golf Course into 18 holes.

A West of Scotland golfer who has an artificial leg bought himself an electric buggy and got his club's permission to use it on the golf course. Unfortunately, a public road crosses the course and the buggy had to be licensed for the road at a cost of £10.

John Reece, writing in the Western Daily Press, described how one well-known Bristol golfer, Bob Williams of Knowle, recently surprised fellow members by announcing that he was going to clean his clubs. George Gunston did his best to dissaude him. "They'll fall apart, Bob," he said. Bob took all his iron clubs and disappeared in search of a bucket of water. When he returned he was excited. His clubs gleamed. "Look at this," he said, "the thing I have been using as a two-iron is really a five! Oh, watch me shake these chaps from now on."

Troon Old Golf Course has brought a new green into service as the first of a

series of improvements in readiness for the 1973 Open Championship.

