

CORRESPONDENCE

19 Vernon Drive,
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Dear Sir,

As you know a number of courses are installing pop-up sprinklers, some already have them.

I have visited some clubs who have had "pop-ups" for some time between one and five years and find that they have problems which they had not encountered before they were installed. It would seem that new methods of greenkeeping will have to be devised to control these problems. It would seem that there is no one to go to for advice except a first class greenkeeper who has had "pop-ups" for several years and has found out through trial and error, how to use this water to the best advantage, and how to deal with the problems it brings in its wake. The trouble how many greenkeepers with this experience are to be found.

Perhaps one day the Sports Turf Research Institute will be able to give a course of instruction, when more is known about the problems and difficulties which seem to follow the installation of "pop-ups". Then a club who is having them installed would be able to send their greenkeeper to Bingley for instruction on how to deal with the problems when they arise, which they surely will.

Therefore it would seem that the sooner we can get down to this the better for all concerned.

If anyone has cracked any of the problems caused through "pop-ups" such as softness of greens, thatch, black slime, excessive Fusarium, we shall be pleased to hear from you.

Your truly, C. A. MOORE.

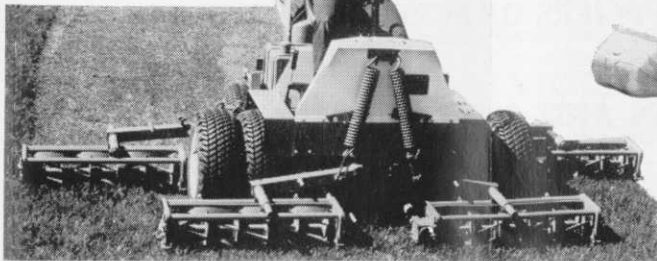
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