A look at the future of Greenkeeping...

Looking like a huge silver dish filled with sand and available in every conceivable shape the self-contained bunkers are lowered into place and sculpted around so they seamlessly blend in with their surroundings. A few of the key features include; automatic raking through a set of traversing metal prongs that rise up through the sand, unsurpassable water dispersion through superheating, compaction by vibration offering superior play and "no more wash downs" with its patented Magna-Sand. It becomes the "must have" for golf courses worldwide.

2020 Summit Award.
A dominant grass that self-regulates its growing height from nine millimetres upwards and can be adjusted using sound frequency. With its 'No More Mowing' tagline. Summit now accounts for 99% of all Sports Turf and 100% of all Tees, Fairway and Outfields globally.

2030 The use of Light instead of Metal for mowing.
Inexpensive, robust and able to outperform cylinder mowing in every trial - the laser age comes to Greenskeeping. The greens mower retrofit photon cutting units that seamlessly blend in with their surroundings. A few of the key features include; automatic raking through a set of traversing metal prongs that rise up through the sand, unsurpassable water dispersion through superheating, compaction by vibration offering superior play and "no more wash downs" with its patented Magna-Sand. It becomes the "must have" for golf courses worldwide.

2037 Tranquility Lodge Opens.
The first lunar golf course opens to tranquility. It handles all the updates and key decision making for all the Alliance machineries and creates an industry standard in digital communication. Many fear that the product has been rushed to market but the claims are refuted by GAIF.

2044 The GML Takeover.
With its popularity soaring, and a 10 million strong membership, the Golf Members League buys up the struggling International Golf Federation and, by hostile takeover, disbands the Intercontinental Golf Union. It rebrands itself as The Golf Authority Institution of Fairness. It becomes the "must have" for golf courses worldwide.

2079 Electronic Education.
A Resolution That's Better Than Real Life
Don't let progress devalue traditional greenkeeping

2102 Solid-O-Gram Forests.
The Solid Hologram technology is finally cleared for use on Golf Course obstructions and replaces every tree, wall and hedge with maintenance-free responsive replicas. The catchy slogans include: A Resolution That's Better Than Real Life and Unobtainable Perfection?

2112 The Sphere Crisis.
Loss of data, rolling blackouts and incomprehensible glitches plague the SPHERE servers and the whole golf industry grinds to a freighting halt with 1-Mows rendered useless in the middle of greens. Summum fairways growing over a meter high, Solid-O-Gram trees in the shape of elephants, self-raking bunkers actively attacking golfers and GNOME 2 swallowing up huge areas of land. After four days SPHERE is turned off.

2112 Four Days Later.
Mr P Smith (81), Head Greenkeeper of Buidden Valley GC is seen on the 7th, raking a bunker by hand. It spawns a new revolution in Greenskeeping.

After reading this my only advice is to give your apprentices a heads up on soldering, don’t do anything hasty with your hand tools and look forward to no more bunker raking for 90+ years.