

Letter to the Editor

Little Whinfell
Crowborough Sussex
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Dear Sir,

I am sorry to have upset Mr Wright, Greens Convener at Downfield, G.C. I can only plead that on television it did look artificial. Now that I know, I withdraw that accusation wholly.

If, indeed, it was an accusation. If Mr. Wright will read that article again he will see that I suggested it made a good hole, calling for thought. The sight of that lake led me to think on water bunkers and write a *general* article on that subject. The piece is not entirely devoted to the Downfield G.C.

Mr Wright suggests that the Swilcan Burn, with its concrete banks bears more of man's stamp than his pond. May I, in all humility, suggest that the Swilcan was there many years before concrete was invented.

Were I younger and still active, I would give much to visit Downfield and have to make up my mind whether to go for the carry at the 11th, or play short. The test of a good hole.

By coincidence, the Head Greenkeeper at my home club is named Wright!

Yours truly,
Patrick Smartt



Some of the representatives from 20 golf clubs in the Guildford area watching a ride-on triplex greensmower being put through its paces at Bramley Golf Club.