OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING took place at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club by kind permission of the Captain and Committee in conjunction with the Secretaries. All members observed a minute of silence in memory of the late Stan Phillips of the Southerndown Golf Club. May I express, on behalf of all members our deepest sympathy to the relatives. Stan was a very fine fellow, always willing to help the Section in any way he could, a very staunch Committee man who never missed a meeting. We shall all miss him very much.

I would like to express our thanks to John O'Gorman our retiring Secretary for all the work he put into the Section in spite of personal worries, and I sincerely hope that I shall be able to carry on the good work.

Our A.G.M., was a very pleasant one and all present were pleased with the position of the Section.

Competition.

We played an 18 Hole Competition Medal Round in very windy weather conditions but there were some very good scores. The John Duncan Cup was won by J. Williams with a score of 88—15=73; 2nd, J. Martin, 80—6=76, and 3rd, J. Rees, 89—9=80. The Birdie Cup was won by B. Jones with a score of 95—15=80; 2nd, H. Fry Snr., 103—22=85, and 3rd, D. Jones, 99—14=85.

D. G. Lord writes,

"It is with deep regret that I have to inform you of the death of Mr. Stan Phillips, Assistant Greenkeeper at the Southerndown Golf Club, who died on the 14th June, in Bridgend Hospital.

Stan commenced his greenkeeping career at the Southerndown Club in 1926 and spent all his working life there. He was an active member of the Welsh Section for the past 27 years, and his staunch support will be sadly missed.

The funeral service was held at St. Bride's Church, nr. Bridgend on the 18th June when Mr. M. Geddes, Chairman, Mr. A. Jury, and Mr. Cox represented the Section, and I attended on behalf of the Association."

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Section was held on the 7th June at the White Swan, Leeds. Twenty-five members, a disappointing number turned up, though it was pleasing to see several young members taking an interest in the Section’s affair.

Before calling on the Secretary to read the minutes of the last A.G.M., the Chairman, Mr. G. Mason asked members to stand in silence and pay respect to the two members, Mr. C. Leafield, and Mr. C. Blades, who had passed away since the last meeting.

The Secretary and Treasurer in presenting his report was able to show another satisfactory year’s working. Despite increased costs the financial position of the Section remains sound.

Before vacating the chair for the election of Officers, Mr. G. Mason thanked the Committee and all those who had helped to make the year’s events successful, Golf Clubs and Members of the Trade for support of the Tournament Prize Funds, Mr. A. Nott for the free use of rooms, and Mr. W. Mountain, President, for his generous gifts of refreshments, etc. Mr. F. G. Smith then took the Chair for the election of Officers. The following were elected:—President: Mr. W. Mountain; Chairman: Mr. G. W. Mason; Vice-Chairman: Mr. J. Scott; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer: Mr. J. Parker. Committee: Messrs. E. Munns, A. Robertshaw, E. Paley, S. Bailes, A. Routledge, B. Holian and A. Cox. Executive Representative: Mr. J. Parker; Hon. Auditors: Messrs. C. Moore and L. Harper. Mr. G. Geddes was elected as the Section’s nomination for Vice-Chairman of the Association in the coming year.

Mr. G. Mason then took over the Chair again and thanked Frank for taking over during the election. He also thanked members for again electing him to the office, and hoped that he would be able to serve the Section to the best of his ability.

Several matters were discussed and it was decided to leave them in the hands of the Committee. The meeting closed with Mr. Mountain satisfying the needs of the inner man though NOT with what seemed to be the main topic of conversation on the arrival of the hot dry spell—WATER!

Change of Address

Mr. F. Kenny has now moved to the following address: — Betty’s Lodge, St. Ives, Bingley.