News

from the Sections

NORTHERN

By J. Parker
Chairman:
G. W. Mason
(Halifax West End)

Hon. Secretary:
8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden, Bingley, Yorks.

THE FIRST LECTURE OF THE WINTER session will be held on Tuesday, 13th November, in the Market Tavern, Godwin Street, Bradford, at 7-15 p.m. The speaker will be Mr. B. C. Clayton, M.A., Senior Advisory Officer at the Sports Turf Research Institute. Mr. Clayton will be speaking on general maintenance of golf courses with references to his Continental visits. Your Committee look for your support on what will surely be an interesting evening.

December Social

A Social Evening will be held on Tuesday, 11th December, at the Old Queen's Head, Main Street, Bingley. This will take the form of games and supper, and will also give members a chance to have a general natter over golf course problems and events.

New Member

We welcome to the Section:—Mr. C. Garnett, 425 Harrogate Road, Bradford, 2, who works under Donald Roberts at West Bowling Golf Club. There must be many more Assistant Greenkeepers who are not members of the Association. Come on, Head Greenkeepers, I've plenty of nomination forms for membership.

Change of Address

Mr. S. M. Lemmon has moved to 41 Pelham Road, Cleethorpes, Lincolnshire.

NORTH-WEST

By B. Ellis
Chairman
T. Brennan
(Wilmsho G.C.)

Hon. Secretary:
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OUR AUTUMN TOURNAMENT was held at the Bolton Golf Club, Lostock Park, Bolton, on Thursday, 27th September. We were favoured with a fine day, a course that was in excellent condition, and 40 competitors enjoyed a pleasant day's golf.

Our President, Mr. Kinsey, occupied the Chair and thanked the Captain and Council of the Bolton Golf Club for granting us the courtesy of their course and clubhouse and then introduced the Captain to present the Prizes.

The prize-winners were as follows:—1st nett, W. Sumner, 104, Ransomes Cup and Electric Blanket; Scratch, E. Walsh, 111 gross, Hunter Cup and Tankard; 2nd nett, G. Davey, 105, President's Cup and Windcheater; 3rd nett, E. Walsh, 111 Musical Cigarette Box; 4th nett, O. P. Jones, 112, Travelling Clock; 5th nett, A. Warhurst, 113, Ronson Lighter; 6th nett, J. Metcalfe, 114, Pullover; 7th nett, F. Halstead, 115, Colibri Lighter; 8th nett, V. Crabtree, 115, Plant Tubs; 9th nett, H. Smith, 116, Silver Pencil; 10th nett, W. Burgess, 117, Lighter; Best nett, over 50's, W. Sumner, 104, Hargreaves Cup and Pullover; Visitor's Prize, Mr. S. Cowap; 71 nett, 1 doz. Golf Balls.

The Section Chairman, Mr. T. Brennan, closed the meeting by thanking all who had contributed towards making the day a success, J. Rhodes and his staff for the excellent condition of the course, the Steward and Stewardess for meals, Mr. Payne of Ransomes, and Mr. Grieves of Messrs. Ellis Rees for once again issuing and checking cards. Our thanks are also due to the following who so kindly contributed to our Prize Fund: Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, Messrs. Hunter, Mr. W. Kinsey, Messrs. Rigley Taylor, Mr. W. E. Fyles, Messrs. Pattisson, Messrs. T. Ockleshaw Ltd., Messrs. Wilcox Ltd., Messrs. Ellis Rees, Messrs. May and Baker Ltd., Messrs. En-Tout-Cas, and Mr. V. Crabtree.

New Members

We welcome to our Section the following new members: D. Carter, Werneth Low Golf Club, Hyde, Cheshire; E. Welding, 21 Cole Avenue, Newton-le-Willows, Lancs., and H. M. Walsh, 76 Hadfield Street, Oldham, Lancs.

Lectures

Our first lecture of the winter will be held on Tuesday, 20th November, at the Garrick Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, commencing at 7-0 p.m., when Mr. H. J. Lidgate of the S.T.R.I. will talk on "Soils". Will members please note the date as no other notice will be given.
On Monday, 21st January, 1963, we have Mr. B. C. Clayton, M.A., Senior Advisory Officer at the Research Station, whose subject will be "General Practical Maintenance". This meeting will also be held at the Garrick Hotel commencing at 7-0 p.m.

**SOUTHERN**

By W. Mason

Chairman:
J. K. Glass
(Thorpe Hall)

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MESSRS. EASTON TRACTORS LTD. have kindly arranged to send along one of their representatives to give us a lecture. The subject, "General Maintenance of Tractors", and we hope that members will make every effort to attend what should be a most interesting evening. As usual, this will be held at the Talbot Restaurant, London Wall, Moorgate, E.C., on Wednesday, 14th November, at 6-30 p.m.

**New Members**

We are pleased to welcome two new members. L. R. Hilton, The Wythe, Pycombe Golf Club, Pycombe, Brighton, and P. Marsh, 17 Brownhill Road, Baddesley, Southampton, Hants.

**MIDLAND**

By F. Cashmore

Chairman:
G. Hart
(Gay Hill)

Hon. Secretary:
76 Four Oaks Common Road
Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire.

OUR TOURNAMENT AT SOUTH Staffs. was a most successful gathering and our thanks are due to all at the Club for their cordial welcome, and the way in which they made us comfortable. There was a shower at mid-day but it did not interfere a great deal with play. Twenty-five members took part and thirteen visitors joined us in the afternoon. The Captain of South Staffs., Mr. Lewis, joined us for lunch and apologised for the fact that, owing to a previous engagement, he could not remain for the rest of the day. Our President, Mr. Carl Bretherton, paid us a visit, but he also had a meeting that evening which prevented him staying for the presentation of the prizes.

The results were as follows:—Clayton Cup and Tea Set, T. Jones, 145 nett; Golf Club, G. Woodward, 154 gross; Golf Jacket, E. Mitton, 146 nett; Cruet Set, J. Stephens, 147 nett; Golf Shoes, R. Smith, 148 nett; Canteen Cutlery, A. Hastilow, 148 nett; Lighter, W. Barton, 151 nett; 1 doz. Golf Balls, K. Webb, 152 nett; Wallet, H. Drewitt, 152 nett; Glass Dish, E. Benbow, 155 nett; Alarm Clock, A. C. Jones, 155 nett; Table Mats, A. Boraston, 153 nett; Wallet, R. Pugh, 154 nett; Towels, W. Machin, 158 nett; Cigarette Case, V. Smith, 160 nett; Bottle Whisky, W. Handy, 161 nett.

The leg of pork given by Mr. J. W. R. Robinson for the over 50's was won by A. Hastilow. The golf balls given by our President for players with 2's on their cards were won by W. Barton, G. Woodward, T. Jones and R. Smith.

The prizes were presented by Mr. McCandless, the Secretary, and also a past Captain of South Staffs. Golf Club. He said how pleased they were to see us and hoped that we would visit them again. George Hart thanked him and also the Committee of the South Staffs. for allowing us to play there, and making us feel so welcome. He also thanked the indoor staff for excellent meals, etc., Cecil Woodhouse and his staff for the splendid condition of the course, Bill Payne and his helpers for doing their usual job. Incidentally, Mr. Payne was travelling to Bolton that night to help the North West Section in the same way on the following day. George also thanked our visitors, players and members of the Trade who had joined us and helped to make the day so successful. Our thanks also to the donors of our prizes who were:—Thomas Clayton & Sons, British Steel Golf Shafts, Swallow Raincoats, Tudor Mower Services, Lotus Ltd., Rigby Taylor Ltd., H. Pattisson & Sons, En Tout Cas Ltd., May & Baker Ltd., Chas. H. Pugh Ltd., Parker & Ballenger Ltd., Woodheads Seeds Ltd., Mr. L. Wheeler, Mr. J. Conlon, Mr. W. F. Payne, Mr. J. W. R. Robinson, and Mr. Carl Bretherton.

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This visit is limited to 30 members so will those who wish to go, and have not yet let me know, please do so at once otherwise they may be disappointed. We shall all be travelling by coach which will leave the Hall of Memory at 10-30 a.m. We are due at the Chase Hotel, Coventry at 12 noon.

Annual Dinner

Our Annual Dinner will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Hagley Road, Bearwood, on Friday, 14th December, when we are hoping to see all our friends. We shall be having a full Christmas Dinner and some very good artistes have been engaged for the concert, so we are hoping to equal last year's record attendance.

EAST MIDLAND

Chairman:
S. T. Talbot
(Wollaton Park)

Hon. Secretary:
By S. T. McNeice

Our annual tournament was held at Willesley Park Golf Club, Ashby-de-la-Zouch on Tuesday, 25th September, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee. The Section Autumn Cup was on show for the first time and competed for over 18 holes Bogey. This was also the first time the Section has held a Bogey Competition which made a very pleasant change. Play was not up to the usual standard although the course was in excellent condition, and the weather was all one could wish for, one of those few sunny, warm days we had this summer.

Prize-winners were as follows:—1st, R. Bowler, Wollaton Park (15) 2 down; 2nd, S. T. McNeice, Leicestershire (12) 4 down; 3rd, F. Drost, Derby Municipal (6) 4 down; 4th J. Carrick, Northamptonshire Co., (9) 5 down; 5th, D. Whitehead, Wollaton Park (24) 5 down; 6th, E. A. Clarkson, Leicestershire (10) 5 down; 7th, F. Oliver, Nottingham City (14) 5 down; 8th, D. Bull, Bishill Forest (7) 7 down; 9th, S. Fretter, Kirby Muxloe (13) 7 down; 10th, G. Dunkley, Northamptonshire Co., (12) 8 down. Ties were decided on last 9, 6, and 3 holes. Vice-Presidents' Section, 1st, A. Booth, Chilwell Manor (scratch) 3 down; 2nd, S. C. Long, Leicester Municipal (2) 3 down.

The Section Chairman, Mr. Stan. Talbot, thanked the Willesley Park Golf Club for granting us the courtesy of the course, Dr. D. G. Kelly, the Captain, for presenting the prizes, the Staff for their hard work in making everything so very pleasant, also a special vote of thanks to our officers and Members of the Trade for their contribution to the prizes.

I should like once more to take this opportunity to thank our old friend Mr. A. J. E. Cook for all the hard work which he put in to make everything go with a swing, also to his very able assistant, Mr. Eric Ramsey, who completed the day by checking the cards.


Change of Address

Mr. P. McCarron, 28 St. Peter's Road, Leicester, has now moved to 39 Devana Road, Leicester.

Welsh

Chairman:
M. Geedore
(Royal North Wales)

Hon. Secretary:
By S. A. Tucker

Our autumn meeting was held at the Glamorgan Golf Club, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee, on the 26th September. The weather was not so kind as it might have been but the rain held off and we played 9 holes before lunch and 18 after. The prize-winners were as follows:—1st, J. O'Gorman (local knowledge); 2nd, D. Jones; 3rd, J. R. Williams; 4th, S. A. Tucker. The Nine Hole Competition was

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The dates arranged are the 12th, 13th and 14th August, and I am sure all members will wish to join me in expressing our sincere thanks to the Committee for this privilege.

HON. SECRETARY’S NOTES

ANNUAL DRAW
NEWS OF THE WORLD MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP, 1962

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My congratulations to Mr. W. Dickinson of the Sheffield Section for selling the Winning Ticket.

No claim has yet been made by the seller of the largest number of tickets for whom a prize of £2 10s. 0d. is waiting. I shall be glad if Section Secretaries will notify me of any member whom they think may qualify for this prize.

C. H. DIX
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

WELSH SECTION—cont.

won by G. Brennan, 2nd was H. Fry on last 6 holes from A. Price. Hard luck, Arthur, better luck next time!

Subscriptions

Will any members who have not yet paid their subscriptions please do so by the next post to M. Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glamorgan, in order that Mr. Geddes may settle his books for the winter months.

MISCELLANEOUS

Professionals and Greenkeepers having stocks of used golf balls contact Sparkbrook Golf Ball Co., 295 Highgate Road, Stoney Lane, Birmingham, with a view to filling export orders.

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MAJORCA APPLICANTS

A short list of four applicants was made up at the end of October. Those who have not heard by letter when this notice appears are thanked for their applications. References have been returned. Owing to the particular circumstances of this post, many well qualified persons had to be eliminated.