THE HON. SECRETARY WRITES . . .

Vice-Chairman, 1963/4

I am very pleased to announce that the South West Section have nominated Mr. Harry Sheppard of the Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club to act as Vice-Chairman for the current year. I am sure all members would like to join me in thanking Mr. Sheppard for accepting this office and wish him every success.

Annual Tournament, 1964

Mr. A. A. Cockfield has been successful in obtaining the courtesy of the Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club for our Tournament in 1964, to be held on the 10th, 11th and 12th of August. I have expressed our appreciation to the Secretary and Committee for their kindness, and I am sure we can look forward to a most enjoyable meeting.

Our Chairman, Mr. G. T. Geddes had the misfortune to lose one of his clubs during the meeting at Birkdale. It was a Pinsplitter No. 5 Iron and I am asked to enquire if any member inadvertently picked it up in error, as there is no evidence of it having been left in the Club.

1963 DRAW ACCOUNTS

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NEWS AND NOTES

Drought in North Wales

Ernie Folkes has now shaped up three of his four new greens at Flackwell Heath in record time and managed a week’s holiday in North Wales into the bargain. We were worried how Ernie would manage on the arid Sundays in that part of the world but the well-known Folkes charm apparently opened the back doors of suitable establishments with no trouble at all.

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Stanmore to County Down

Charlie Moore from Stanmore was off to Ireland for the British Ladies’ Championship at the end of last month. His daughter was meeting the Vicomtesse de Saint-Sauveux in the first round. The prospect in no sense alarmed her and by the time this appears in print we shall know if she got over this first stiff hurdle and, let us hope, others as well.

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As the Hurlingham Exhibition took place after we had gone to press, a full report will be appearing in the November issue.

New Club House

We were shown over the new club house at Whitefield, Manchester, last week. This is the work of the Design Partnership, a group of architects in the North. They had not planned a golf club house before but we hope they will do more. The building gives a sense of space although it is not large by pre-war standards. Circulation, cleanliness, cost and convenience have all been admirably studied and we recommend it to all those many clubs who are now considering setting fire to their wooden pavilions.

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Old and New

Messrs. Pattison’s have sent us a copy of their latest catalogue. Several new features, especially motorised aerated machines are included. This firm has carved a very special niche for itself in the maintenance of golf courses by painstaking service and sensible design. We hear that they are now experimenting with ball retrievers for driving ranges.

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