

TEE SHOTS



by the Editor

The Rhos-on-Sea Golf Club has been offered its 18-hole golf course and clubhouse with bedrooms for twenty people at the price of £60,000. Miss Blodwyn Lloyd Williams is retiring as Managing Director of a small private company which owns the sea-front course. With 450 members this works out at £133 6s. 8d. per head for the 6,064 yard course which lies either side of the Caernarvon/Denbigh border.

Not far away, at Wrexham, a public enquiry has been considering proposals to tip in the Moss Valley which included the subsequent construction of an 18-hole golf course. Counsel for the Company applying for permission to carry out the tipping said that the materials would be restricted to foam rubber, scrap timber and builders rubbish. If the first material predominates, it should ultimately be a very comfortable course to play on.

At the other end of the scale, Atherton Recreation Ground Committee is considering reclamation which will provide a 9-hole golf course on the site of the old Gadbury brick works.

Kingston Hill Golf Club, Stafford, have had outline approval for developing a new 18-hole golf course at Ingestre. The existing course was bought some while back by a property development company.

The Marquis of Douro has obtained permission for constructing a new golf course as the first phase of a countryside park in the Hackfield Section of his Stratfieldsaye Estate. He hopes to attract national tournaments.

The Old Course at St Andrews was closed for play at the beginning of January and will not re-open until the end of March. This will give John Campbell, the Links Supervisor, time to get on with various improvements for the Open Championship which starts on 8th July. One of the notable changes is a new tee which adds 30 yards to the 370 yard 3rd. This new tee opens the course record to all comers. The previous record of 66 was held jointly by Jack Nicklaus, Peter Alliss and Bernard Hunt. Incidentally, John is off to the 41st Annual Conference of the Golf Course Superintendents' Association of America at Houston in February.

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