A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting was held at the Stirling Castle Hotel on Wednesday, 26th May 1971, Mr J. Wallis-Arthur presiding.

Following the reading of the minutes of the last A.G.M. and Secretary's report, the balance sheet was adopted. In proposing the balance sheet, J. K. Glass said the secretary was to be congratulated on its presentation. Seconded by J. Kirkpatrick.

Matters Arising

It was confirmed to the meeting that all future meetings would take place at The Ship Tavern, 27 Lime Street, London, E.C.2. More details in later magazine.

It was proposed by the secretary on behalf of absentee A, E. Creese, that first-year competitors should play together. Once again, this proposal was turned down. However, it was agreed that to make sure the newcomers know the fundamentals of golf, three cards signed by their club secretary must be submitted with their entry.

Election of Officers

The following were elected for the year: —

President, Mr Jack Wallis-Arthur; Vice-Presidents, Messrs D. M. Craig, F. W. Hawtree, C. P. Simpson, G. W. Worrell, J. Field, K. J. Hemingway, F. Brittin, W. J. Holloway, P. A. Marshall, C. Diebel, C. J. Fowler, K. Thomas and V. L. Waeland; Chairman, C. A. Moore; Vice-Chairman, F. W. Ford; Committee, J. K. Glass, D. H.

New Members

A warm welcome is extended to our new members whose names are listed below. J. E. Atkins (Chesterfield).

Retirement

Mr C. R. Cooke has written to say he is now retiring at last from the head man's job at St George's Hill. He says that the club have settled him into a nice little cottage not too far away and that the cottage garden will keep him busy for at least six months knocking it into shape. He sends his regards to all his friends and I know you will all wish him a long and happy retirement.

Greetings also from Harry Hughes in Devon.

Spring Tournament

Forty-two members took part in the Annual Spring Tournament played over the course of the Garforth Golf Club, Leeds, on Monday, 17th May, by courtesy of the club committee. This was the section's first ever visit to the course and a most generous welcome and kind assistance was given by all members of the club staff.

Following tea, the prizes were presented by Reg Lewis, the club professional.

Results—Scratch Prize: M. Barrett 79-84 = 163.
2nd Division: 1st, D. Roberts 78-74 = 152; 3rd, C. Geddes 77-75 = 152.
2nd Division: 1st, R. Lambert 73-66 = 139; 2nd, M. Rooks 76-65 = 141; 3rd, D. Sellers 76-66 = 142.

Veteran's Prize: S. Smith.

Our thanks are due to the following firms, who kindly contributed to our prize fund:

Stephen Toulson & Son; Rigby Taylor Ltd.; Hayters Ltd.; Webb Ltd.; Flymo; H. Pattison & Co. Ltd.; Ransomes Sims & Jefferies; Stewart & Son; Atco; Pressure Jet Markers.

**NORTH-WEST**

Chairman:  
T. Brennan  
(Royal Birkdale)

Hon. Secretary:  
Horrobin Cottage,  
Old Links Golf Club.  
Montserrat, Bolton, Lancs.

New Treasurer  
I would once again like to draw the attention of all members to the address of our new treasurer. Will you please forward subscriptions, which are now due, to R. Janovskis, Esq., 303 Moor Side Road, Swinton, Manchester.

Annual Draw  
Will members please let me have all monies, counterfoils and unsold tickets by the date printed on counterfoils.

New Members  
We welcome to the section the following new members and hope their association with us will be a happy one:—  
Hon. Member — R. Daniels, Parks & Sportsground Machinery.  
G. E. Lloyd, Hillside Golf Club, Southport.  
C. Brown, Hillside Golf Club, Southport.  
W. G. Watt, Hillside Golf Club, Southport.  
F. Brocklehurst, Houldsworth Golf Club, Manchester.  
G. Corcoran, Lee Park Golf Club.  
B. S. Gregson, Hesketh Golf Club, Southport.

**EAST MIDLAND**

Chairman:  
J. Carrick  
4 Queens Drive.  
Leicester Forest East.  
Leicester.

Hon. Secretary:  
J. C. Arrick  
Leicester Forest East.  
Leicester.

Annual Spring Golf Tournament  
The Annual Spring Golf Tournament was held at Kibworth Golf Club on Wednesday, 2nd June 1971, by kind permission of the captain and committee. The weather was very good, and also a good entry of greenkeepers, visitors and vice-presidents. Our thanks to the steward and his wife, to the inside and outside staff, and also to the professional for the use of the trolleys. Our thanks also to Mr A. Thornton, Mrs Mott, Mr K. Buckledee, Mr Vaughan for helping with the starting, raffle, etc. Our thanks also to Mr D. Whitehead for the buying of the prizes. Also thanks to the following for prizes: Messrs John Player and Sons; Messrs Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd; H. Patterson Ltd.; Leicester Horticultural Engineers; Rigby Taylor Ltd; Leicestershire

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**Greenkeepers**

1st prize, R. O'Hara (Stanton on the Wolds), 63 net; 2nd, I. Toone (Kirby Muxloe), 71 net; 3rd, A. Shaw (Radclyffe on Trent), 73 net (last nine); 4th, W. Tuckwood (Charnwood Forest), 73 net; 5th, M. Lake (Northampton County), 73 net; 6th, G. Dunckley (Northampton County), 74 net; 7th, C. Fillis (Northampton County), 75 net; 8th, J. L. Bowley (Charnwood Forest), 78 net (last nine); 9th, C. Fillis (Northampton County), 75 net; 10th, J. Carrick (Northampton County), 78 net; 11th, J. Carrick (Northampton County), 78 net; 12th, F. Frost (Derby County), 79 net (last nine); 13th, D. Bagshaw (Stanton on the Wolds), 79 net.

**First-Year Greenkeepers Prize**

S. Ablett (Northampton County), 96 net.

**Vice-Presidents**

1st, R. E. Whitcombe (Chilwell Manor), 74 net; 2nd, R. Bailey (Kidworth), 76 net.

**Visitors**

S. James, 77 net.

**New Members**

I would like to welcome on behalf of the above greenkeepers the following new members to this section.

S. Ablett, Esq., 15 Cranford Road, Kingsthorpe, Northampton.
R. A. Barrass, 57 Griggs Road, Shelthorpe, Loughborough.
J. Roberts, 2 Lilac Close, Keyworth, Notts.
P. Malin, 39 Grantham Road, Radcliffe on Trent, Notts.
I. P. Frost, 24 Leverton Green, Clifton, Nottingham.

**Vice-Presidents**

H. L. Hedley, 96 Station Road, Cropston, Leicester.
A. Clarke, 21 Station Road, Birstall, Leicester, LE4 3RB.
J. L. White, 8 Wavertree Drive, Leicester. LE4 7NU

**Subscriptions**

Would all members please note that subscriptions are now due.

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**NORTH-EAST**

By G. Jeffries

**Spring Tournament**

Our Spring Tournament was held on Thursday, 22nd April, at Durham City Golf Club, by kind permission of the captain and committee. The weather was in our favour, being warm and with bright sunshine.

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**Welsh**

By S. A. Tucker

**Chairman:**

M. Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glamorgan.

**Hon. Secretary:**

36 Clase Road, Morriston, Swansea, Glamorgan.

**Autumn Meeting**

Our Autumn Meeting will be held at Swansea Bay Golf Club, Jersey Marine, on 8th September. All members intending to play in the competition must send their entry in seven days before the meeting. If this is not done they will not be able to play in the competition. Address to send entry is above the section notes.

**Subscriptions**

To all members who do not pay their subs at the annual meeting or send them in before, please remember they are due and send them to Mr Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glamorgan.

**David Whitehead**

I am very sorry to announce the death of David Whitehead, an apprentice greenkeeper only recently joined the Association from Portmadoc Golf Club, through tragic circumstances (motor cycle accident). We send to his family our very deepest sympathy in their tragic loss.

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**PROGRESS**

My game must be improving,
Since all my efforts show,
I miss the ball much closer,
Than I did a week ago.