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NORTH-EAST
Chairman: Mr. J. Simpson
Hon. Secretary: G. Jeffries
By G. Jeffries
55 Brackenfield Road, Framwell Gate Moor, Durham

Spring competition
Our Spring competition was held on Thursday 20th April, on the course of Gosforth Golf Club, by kind permission of their Captain and Committee. Results over 18 holes were; J. Grainger (Durham City) for the best net score of 68, Salver and voucher. 2nd C. Baxter (Whitburn) 72, Putter and voucher. 3rd T. Nutman (Tynemouth) 74, 4th S. Graham (Newbiggin) 74 voucher. The winner of the Association Prize was R. Hinson 70.

Our Chairman, Mr. J. Simpson, welcomed everyone present, and hoped that they had enjoyed their day at Bridle Path, he then introduced the Captain of the club, Mr. Anderson, who said a few kind words on our behalf, and very kindly presented the prizes.

Mr. Simpson, on behalf of the North East Section, thanked the Captain and Committee for allowing us the use of the course, he then thanked the Steward and Stewardess for a very enjoyable meal, Mr. M. Runnacles and his staff for the condition of the course, this was heartily endorsed by all, thanks also to the Professional for the use of the caddy cars. May I thank Jack Simpson and Norman Fraser for their work with the cards, and also Tom Oliver for his work with the raffle, I also congratulate him on winning the first prize of a bottle of sherry from the raffle, well done Tom.

NORTH-WEST
Chairman: J. Gillett
Hon. Secretary: H. M. Walsh
By H. M. Walsh
55 Brackenfield Road, Framwell Gate Moor, Durham

Draw tickets
Will all members let me have counterfoils and monies by the date requested on the tickets, also please make P.O.’s and cheques payable to the North West Section, B.G.G.A. and not to me.

Subscriptions
Subscriptions are now due for the 1972/73 year, please send them to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

New members
We extend a warm welcome to the following new members and hope their association with the Section will be a happy one. R. Cook, Lowes Park Golf Club, Hilltop, Bury, Lancs., D. D. Clark, Royal Portrush Golf Club, Portrush, Co. Antrim, N. Ireland.

MIDLAND
Chairman: G. Hart
Hon. Secretary: R. Goodwin
By R. Goodwin
4 Burton Old Road, Streethay, Lichfield, Staffs.

A.G.M. and Summer tournament
The A.G.M. and Summer Tournament will take place at Habberley Golf Club, Kidderminster, on Monday 24th July.

The members of Habberley are again kindly providing the prizes for this event and I do...
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Played at the Brockenhurst Course, the Hampshire Rogues Golfing Society Championship resulted in a win for Mr. Thomas Graham, of West Lane, Hayling Island, who is the HEAD GREENKEEPER for the Municipal Course at Hayling Island. His morning score of 73, and afternoon 71 won for him the Maurice Jack Championship Cup, for the event, and here Mr. Maurice Jack the well-known Winchester Turf Accountant is seen presenting the trophy to Mr. Graham (right).
hope for a good turnout of Greenkeepers. Please send your entries to me by 14th July.

Autumn tournament
The Autumn Tournament will be held over the Stratford on Avon Golf Club course on Tuesday 19th September, by kind permission of the Captain and Directors. Entries please by the 4th September.

New members
We welcome to the section B. F. Ashby, Assistant Greenkeeper to the Stratford on Avon Golf Club.

SOUTHERN
Chairman:
C. A. MOORE
(Stanmore)

By F. W. Ford
Hon. Secretary:
68 Salcombe Gardens, Mill Hill, N.W.7. Tel: 01-959 2847

The George
All future lectures etc, commencing Wednesday 3rd October, will be held at The George, George Court, Adelphi, London W.C.2 (Tel: 01-839 4012) in the Adelphi Bar, nearest Underground station and Main Line station – the Strand and Charing Cross.

The Spring tournament
The Annual Spring Tournament was played over 36 holes on the Maylands Golf Course in Essex by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Club.

The weather was laid on, the course was in magnificent condition thanks to Phil Staines and his staff and despite the journal troubles there were 55 entries.

Our thanks to Mr. Turner the restaurant manager for the excellent meals and to the Captain, Mr. Reynolds, for presenting the prizes the details of which are as follows:—

**Best Morning**
B. Richardson (Effingham) 73 net

**Best Afternoon**
W. Machin (Addington Court) 73 net

**36 Scratch Prize**
R. Tempest (Hartsbourne) 75 – 74 = 149

**1st Year off Scratch**
1st D. Jones (West Essex) 164
2nd L. Pickford (Hartsbourne) 165
3rd J. M. Huish (Three Rivers) 168
4th A. Finnie (Shooters Hill) 173
5th D. Anderson (Malden) 195

**Over 60**
18 holes in the morning
1st J. Ness (Croham Hurst) 79 net
2nd G. Piggott (Henley) 79 net

**36 Aggregate**
1st T. E. Price (Whitewebbs) 70 – 74 = 144 net
2nd R. Plain (Beaconsfield) 70 – 76 = 146 net
3rd A. Collins (Sonning) 67 – 79 = 146 net
4th L. Coyte (Romford) 75 – 75 = 150 net
5th F. Hayter (Enfield) 76 – 75 = 151 net
6th D. Major (Betchworth Park) 74 – 79 = 153 net
7th T. Mitchell (Maidenhead) 77 – 77 = 154 net
8th C. E. Ryan (Boyle Hill) 76 – 78 = 154 net
9th M. Claydon (Beaconsfield) 76 – 78 = 154 net
10th T. Foster (Maidenhead) 75 – 79 = 154 net
11th W. Wilkinson (Old Ford) 76 – 80 = 156 net
12th P. Whitehead (Shooters Hill) 76 – 81 = 157 net
13th E. Brown (Beaconsfield) 80 – 79 = 159 net
14th I. Smith (Limsfield Chart) 78 – 81 = 159 net

Thanks and congratulations are due to David Craig and Philip Marshall for sorting out the above. The other welcome helpers were Bill Holloway, J. Shaw, B. Tomlin, and Maurice Emm. John Field deserves a prize for his efforts with the ball sweep and for getting to Maylands so early, I think he slept under the billiard table!

Proceeds from the ball sweep (£7) went to the Benevolent Fund.

Prize donors

Autumn tournament
The Autumn tournament will be held at the Maidenhead Golf Club on Wednesday, 6th September 1972, closing date – 21st August. Entries to reach me by that date, stating name, club and handicap of themselves and partner.

Subscriptions
For 1972/73 were due on 1st May. Members please check to see that they have paid. The new rates as from the 1st May are as follows Class A (Head Greenkeeper) £2. Class B (First Assistant) £1.50. Class C (Assistant and Apprentices) £1 and Class E £2.50.

Thanks went to members of the trade, Mr. Pender and Mr. Forbes of Messrs. Stewarts and Co., Mr. W. Burt of Sissis, and a big thank you to our good friends Messrs. Ransomes for the new flags that they presented us with, for our competition days.

Autumn tournament
Our Autumn tournament will be held on Thursday 7th September 1972, on the Ravensworth Golf Course, by kind permission of their Captain and Committee, this will be a 27-hole event, teeing off approximately 9.0 am.