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EAST MIDLAND

Chairman: Hon. Secretary:
J. CARRICK
4 Queens Drive, Leicester Forest East, Leicester

Annual Autumn golf tournament
Will be held at Woolaton Park Golf Club, Nottingham on Tuesday 3rd October 1972. Would you please let me know by 22nd September 1972 if you will be playing and also require a meal.

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NORTH-WEST

Chairman: R. VICKERS,
Leigh Golf Club

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

By H. M. Walsh

Autumn tournament
Due to the kindness of the Captain and the Directors of Old Links Golf Club, Chorley Old Road, Montserrat, Bolton, our Autumn Tournament will be played over their course Thursday 19th October 1972. The competition will be over 27 holes and, as was decided at the last A.G.M., will consist of 18 holes in the morning and 9 holes in the afternoon. An 18 hole competition will be held for members’ guests after the last of the members have driven off in the morning. Please arrive as early as possible. I would also ask members to inform me as soon as possible of their meal requirements so that I can go ahead with catering arrangements. For members without transport the local bus from the bus station, No. 126 to Montserrat Road, will put them off within 100 yards of the clubhouse.

Annual trip
The Annual trip this year will be to the Dunlop factory of the International Sports Co., Speke Hall Avenue, Liverpool, on a date in November which will be given in the next issue of the journal unless I receive confirmation of the date before this issue goes to press. I shall also want the names of members who intend to go on this outing to help the management to make the necessary arrangements for our visit. One other change from last year – we shall be going by car and not by coach, so will any member with seats to spare offer them to members without transport who would like to go on this trip. I am sure convenient picking up points can be arranged. Please note the address and I will let you have the date and time we are expected, as soon as possible.
Ted Macavoy
Mrs. D. Macavoy, the widow of our late friend Ted, has written to me thanking his fellow greenkeepers everywhere for their sympathy and kindness during their sad loss and also for the flowers and the number of greenkeepers who were able to attend his funeral. She also very kindly wishes the Association every success. Thank you Mrs. Macavoy.

New members
We extend a very warm welcome to the following new members: J. Bee, H. Latham, R. G. Thompson, R. J. Talbot, P. M. Kelly, all of Royal Lytham and St. Annes Golf Club, and M. Holmes of Hesketh Golf Club, Southport. I hope their association with the section will be a happy one.

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WELSH

By J. Rees
Chairman: H. Fry
Hon. Secretary: H. Fry

A.G.M. and Medal competition
Our Annual General Meeting and Medal Competition were both held at Southerndown Golf Club on Tuesday 27th June 1972. This was a joint venture between ourselves and the Welsh Club Secretaries. As in previous years the Glamorgan County Golf Union entertained us with a delightful meal. We thank them for a very pleasant evening. Results of our Medal were as follows:-
1st A. Price Net 66 John Duncan Cup and Gold Watch
2nd M. Clissett Net 68 Holdall
3rd D. Jones Net 68 Pullover
4th M. Jones Net 70 1 dozen golf balls
19 – 24 Section
1st R. Doubler Birdie Cup and Shirt
2nd W. Jones Golf Glove

We thank Mr. Peter Wyatt for taking the Chair and helping with the competition cards. Also we thank Messrs Ransomes, Sim and Jefferies: Mr. J. C. Clay: Mr. I. G. Nichols and Messrs Flymo Ltd., without whom our prize list would look very shabby.

New officers
The following are the new officers for the Welsh Section:
President Mr. R. N. Bird
Chairman Mr. H. Fry, Heathercroft, Northway, Bishopston, Swansea.
Vice Chairman Mr. J. Martin, 3 The Glebe, Bishopston, Swansea.

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NORTHERN

By Walter Heels
President: W. Mountain
Hon. Secretary: 7 Teintergate Close, Knaresborough, Yorkshire, HG5 9BJ

Autumn outing
A visit to Ransomes, Simms and Jefferies, Ipswich, has been arranged for 7th November 1972. Would all members wishing to participate in this visit please contact the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible.

Buffet Dance
A Buffet Dance has been arranged for Monday 27th November, 8 pm – 1 am at the Knaresborough Town Hall. Tickets may be had on request from the Hon. Secretary at a cost of approx £1.30. Bring as many friends as you can.

MIDLAND

Chairman: G. Hart
Hon. Secretary: 4 Burton Old Road, Streethay, Lichfield, Staffs.

Albert Oakley
I regret to inform members that Albert Oakley passed away on Friday 7th July.
Albert was Head Greenkeeper at Moor Hall Golf Club when he retired in 1969, after 30 years service, and was highly respected among the members.
On behalf of Midland Greenkeepers, I wish to extend deepest sympathy to Mrs. Oakley and her daughter in their bereavement.

New members
A warm welcome to the following new members: J. A. Bayliss and R. Naughton, Assistant Greenkeepers at Coventry Golf Club, Finham Park.

SOUTHERN

Chairman: C. A. Moore
Tel: 01-959 2847

A.G.M. and tournament
The A.G.M. and 18 hole Medal made a successful debut at the Hendon Golf Club with 51 players taking part.
Leading the field, your Chairman and I had...
the pleasure of playing with Tom Mason who was head greenkeeper at Hendon for more years than I care to remember. Tom is now an honorary member at the club. He is still knocking them down the middle at 82, his card of 70 off 19, collecting 5th prize, speaks for itself.

I would like to record a vote of thanks to the Captain and Committee for allowing us the courtesy of the course and clubhouse, also to Frank Mace for getting the course ready for us to play on. Frank, incidently, has only just moved down south. Best wishes from all of us, Frank, and we expect to see you at the meetings.

We are again appreciative of your efforts, Dave, John, Bill and R. Rose. The additional prize of a table lighter was a nice thought from Flymo.

Details of the presentation by Jack Wallis-Arthur are as follows:

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First year competitors of scratch
1st R. Risbridger Beaconsfield Net 85
2nd S. Kemp West Kent Net 86

A special prize of a bottle of whisky, donated by Bob Plain, was presented to an unexpected guest, Bill Mason. We were all very delighted to see you again, Bill.

New members
A warm welcome to the following new members: Stephen Donnolly (Rochford), C. Choyce and R. Peters (Bush Hill Park), K. Graham (Gillingham), M. L. Labram (Bedford and County), M. Pearce, H. Latter, P. D. Groves, and S. P. Bone (Addington Court).

Clubhouse etiquette
Jacket, collar and tie must be worn in the clubhouse at all future golf competitions.

Date error
In the July issue of the journal the date for the first lecture at the George should read Wednesday 4th October.

A.G.M.
Details of the A.G.M. held at Hendon Golf Club on Wednesday 21st June 1972, with Mr. Jack Wallis-Arthur presiding, are as follows:

The minutes of the last A.G.M. were read and signed as being correct. There being nothing arising from these minutes the Secretary read letters of appreciation and thanks from our Chairman, Mr. C. A. Moore and the following invited guests to the Annual Dinner at the South Herts, B. Williamson, Secretary Essex Golf Captains, John Fisher Captain London Golf Captains, and Joe Carrick Chairman B.G.G.A.

The Section and Benevolent Fund Accounts were adopted on the proposal of F. W. Corner and seconded by R. Plain.

Election of Officers
President – Jack Wallis-Arthur
Chairman – C. A. Moore
Vice Chairman – F. W. Ford
Section Representative on Executive Committee – E. W. Foulkes
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer – F. W. Ford

A.O.B.
The Secretary informed the meeting that the final arrangements had been made for the change over from the 'Ship Tavern' to the 'George' for lecture meetings commencing 4th October.

It was decided on the proposal of D. Major that the Hendon Golf Club should be approached re holding the A.G.M. there again next year. (Carried).

The following Dinner and Dance Committee was formed on the proposal of A. Winters: J. Thornton, D. Jones, S. Kilby, R. Tempest, R. Jobson, and A. Winters. Details to be published at a later date in the journal (I hope!)

A proposal to raise members subscriptions was turned down but a voluntary donation to the Section Benevolent Fund was agreed, W. J. Rogers making the first contribution.

The meeting closed.