January Lecture
This will take place at the Kidderminster Golf Club on Tuesday, January 15th, at 2 p.m., with a film and talk on Toro Equipment by Flymo Institute Division.

February Lecture
Will be held at Blackwell Golf Club on Wednesday, February 20th, at 2 p.m. Details of lecture will appear in next month’s issue.
Members and Officials of your club are most welcome to come along to these functions.

Greenkeepers v. Secretaries
The Annual Match against the Midland Secretaries took place at Blackwell Golf Club on Tuesday, August 28th.

RESULT
Secretaries
S. Allen & R. Parsons  0
P. Meacock & F. B. Lock  1-6/5
G. Green & A. Ashworth  0
A. Webster & G. Greetham  1-1 up
N. Russell & G. Dring  0
P. Hope & A. Crooke  2

Midland Section

December Lecture
The first of our winter lectures will take place at the Handsworth Golf Club on Monday afternoon, December 3rd, at 2 p.m., with a film show and talk by Ransomes.
The course was in ideal condition and with perfect weather a most enjoyable game was had by all.

I would also like to thank the Secretaries for providing the Greenkeepers with a splendid meal and a most enjoyable evening.

Autumn Tournament
The Autumn Tournament was held at Gay Hill Golf Club on Thursday, September 13th, over 27 holes.

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Gross Prize—R. Goodwin—121—Casserole Set
Veterans—G. Hart—81-8-73—Scotch
Best aggregate for year—A. Cutler—283—Chair

The prizes were presented by Mr. W. Larkin, Chairman of the House Committee and Captain elect, who extended a warm welcome to greenkeepers and paid tribute to Derek Green, Head Greenkeeper, for the excellent condition of the course throughout the years.

On behalf of greenkeepers, George Hart thanked Mr. Larkin and the members of Gay Hill for the courtesies extended to the competitors throughout the day.

The Chairman also thanked Derek Green for all the hard work he and the green staff had put in for this tournament.

New Members
We welcome the following new members:

T. Rawbone, Assistant Greenkeeper at Gay Hill G.C.
J. N. Jones, Assistant at Portmadoc Golf Club, North Wales.

He also thanked the prize donors and Bill Payne, Peter Wyatt, Roger Daniel and Frank Cashmore for officiating over the tournament.

Our thanks to the following donors of prizes: Thomas Clayton & Sons Ltd., Cannock Agricultural Ltd., Pattissons Ltd., May & Baker Ltd., Rigby Taylor Ltd., Atco Ltd., Flymo Ltd., Parker & Ballinger Ltd., E. T. Breakwell Ltd., Mr. J. W. R. Robinson, Mr. J. Martin, Mr. T. White, Mr. W. Trevor, Mr. L. Hatton, and Mr. J. Monk.
Sheffield Section

Annual Tournament
The Section Annual Tournament was played at Hillsborough Golf Club on July 18th and we thank the Captain and Committee for giving us this opportunity. The weather was perfect and the course in its usual good condition; the Steward and Stewardess looked after the calories more than well.

Thirty-one members took part and were joined in the afternoon by eight vice-presidents and visitors and we were very pleased indeed that our President, Mr. S. K. Arnold, found the time to get away from his Mayoral duties and enjoy a round of golf.

The prizes were presented to the winners by Mr. B. H. Webster, who was deputising for the Club Captain, who had visited us earlier in the day to offer his apologies for not being able to attend in the evening.

The leading scorers were:

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Winter Lectures
The first of the winter lecture series will be held at Abbeydale Golf Club on Thursday, November 1st, at 3.30 p.m.

The lecture syllabus is not yet complete, these will be distributed as soon as possible.

All lectures will be at Abbeydale on the first Thursday in each month at 3.30 p.m.

Welsh Section

Autumn Tournament
Our Autumn Tournament was held at Ashburnham Golf Club on Wednesday, September 12th; the weather conditions were perfect, making it a most enjoyable day. Mr. J. Martin, our Chairman, thanked the Captain and Committee for the courtesy of the course and clubhouse. Thanks were also given to the green staff and indoor staff.

The Captain, Mr. Noel Rees, presented the prizes.

1st Division
1st E. J. Thomson, nett 113. Teaset, given by Ashburnham Golf Club
2nd J. Rees, nett 115½. Water Set.
3rd J. Martin, nett 120. Pewter, given by Welsh Mowers.
4th A. Price, nett 125½. Table Lighter, given by Flymo.

2nd Division
1st H. Stead, nett 122½. Stainless Steel Dish.
2nd D. Oliver, nett 212. Lighter, given by Pattisson.

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A prize of three golf balls each was given by R. S. Bird to the first year players, which was won by D. Williams and B. Hughes.

The Sid Tucker Memorial Cup, which is given for the best nett aggregate of the season, was won by J. Rees, 198, Table Lighter given by Cannock Fertilizers.

Our many thanks to the Trades for donating the prizes.

Annual Subscription
Would members please note that the subscriptions for the year are well overdue, and could you please send them on to the Treasurer, Mr. M. Geddes. Thank you.

Northern Section

New Members
We welcome to the section the following new members:

G. Bennington, 8 Oaktree Grove, Hartburn, Stockton, Teesside TS18 5NG.
J. Goddard, 78 Armley Ridge Road, Leeds 12.
P. E. Taylor, The Cottages, Ferriby Road, Hessle, E. Yorks.

Southern Section

AUTUMN TOURNAMENT AT LANGLEY PARK
My sincere thanks to everyone who contributed towards making the above such a memorable occasion. The course was in splendid condition, thanks to Derek, the food first class and again we were surrounded by our willing band of helpers in the Trade.

I would also like to add my congratulations to everyone who completed the 36 holes on a very unusually hot September afternoon, especially some of the older members; in particular Stan Morton. Stan, retired from active greenkeeping but so obviously not from playing the game of golf, is the oldest serving member of the B.G.G.A. and has been a member for 59 years. Well done Stan, we were all delighted to see you looking so well and to have you with us. It was also a great pleasure to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Dix on the occasion of our Autumn Tournament. Mrs. Dix came along as a guest of the Southern Section.

Mr. Leslie Needham, Vice-Captain of Langley Park G.C., presented the prizes and the results were as follows:

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Our thanks to Robert H. Andrews and Tom Warren for their contribution towards the prize list. Tom Warren also holed out in one at the 48th in the morning and to make it an extra unique occasion Mr. Wright, also a guest, did the same in the afternoon. These two gentlemen made it drinks all round after being presented with a Hole-in-One Tie each from the Southern Section. Special thanks to John, Derek and his wife for running the Benevolent Fund Raffle, proceeds of which were £35.00.

**New Members**
A warm welcome to the following new members whose names are listed below: J. Corbishley (Bovce Hill), L. Bunting (Ashridge), D. Handy (East Herts), J. C. Farrington (Frilford Heath) and J. P. Jackson (Hainault Forest).

**October Lecture**
This was to have been given by Douglas Gooding from Synchemicals but owing to it clashing with the England v. Poland match, support was poor and it was decided to postpone his visit. It will now take place at 6.30 p.m. at The George on Wednesday December 5th.

**November Lecture**
This will take place at The George at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 7th November. Mr. J. D. Joss from the Sports Turf Research Institute will be talking to the Section on the subject of drainage.

**North West Section**

**Lectures**
Dates for this winter’s series of talks and films are as follows:
- November 19th – Mr. Lees, of S.A.I. Horticulture.
- December 10th – J. Cogan Esq., Flymo Ltd.

**East Midland Section**

**Annual General Meeting**
The Annual General Meeting was held at the Three Nuns Hotel, Loughborough on 25th July 1973; there was a good attendance. The following were elected:
- President: R. Bailey
- Chairman: G. Darby
- Vice-Chairman: W. Wood
- Treasurer: A. Thornton
- Secretary: S. Fretter
- Section Rep.: P. McCarron

**Jan. 13th** – K. Vertigan Esq., SISIS Ltd.
**Feb. 18th** – P. Wyatt Esq., H. Pattisson Esq.

Venue as last year due to the kindness of the Captain and Council of the Swinton Park Golf Club. Time 7.30 p.m.

**Annual Trip**
The Annual Trip will be to SISIS Ltd., of Macclesfield, on Wednesday, November 7th. Members who intend to go on this outing must let me know as soon as possible to enable me to complete arrangements.

**New Members**
We welcome to the Section the following new members and hope their association with the section will be a happy one:
- P. Boardman, Old Links G.C., Montserrat, Bolton.
- S. Curly, Crompton and Royton G.C., Royton, Lancs.