Subscriptions
A few are still outstanding, please send them along to the treasurer as soon as possible.

New Members
We welcome to the section the following new members—C. J. Baxter, Class A, and Bryan Bell, Class C.

NORTHERN
By J. Parker
Chairman: Hon. Secretary:
S. BAILES 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden Bingley, Yorks.

Sheffield Match
THE ANNUAL MATCH VERSUS Sheffield Section was played over the course of the Scarcroft Golf Club, Leeds, on Tuesday, 14th September (by courtesy of the Club Committee).

On an afternoon ideal for golf and on a course in first-class condition players were able to have a most enjoyable break from work.

In the match for the "Slater Trophy" the section was able to retain the trophy by four matches to two.

Results—
M. Brown and A. Money lost to R. Whitehead and G. Herrington 3 and 2.
P. Williams and G. Bennison beat A. Goldthorpe and J. Dearlove 2 and 1.
D. Copland and C. Moore beat A. Shardlow and J. Pickering 2 and 1.
J. Hannan and E. Paley beat E. Peat and J. Lomas 2 and 1.
M. Sharp and J. Sharp lost to A. Spencer and J. Walker 3 and 2.

Following a most satisfactory tea Mr A. Shardlow, President of Sheffield Section, introduced the Captain of Scarcroft Golf Club, who presented the trophy to Mr Jeff Mawson, who we hope will keep it well polished for the next 12 months. Mr G. Herrington, Chairman of Sheffield Section, proposed a vote of thanks to the club and all members of the staff for their kindness and efforts to give us a memorable afternoon out. This was heartily endorsed by members.

Mr T. Iveson
Members, especially older ones to whom he is more well known, will be sorry to hear that Tom is in Bradford Royal Infirmary undergoing a course of treatment. I’m sure we all hope that he will soon be fully recovered and back home. Before his retirement Tom was for many years head greenkeeper to Bradley Hall Golf Club and a committee member.

New Member
We welcome to the section David Ward, of Scarcroft Golf Club, who will shortly be starting his apprenticeship with the club.

SOONER OR LATER YOU'LL BUY A HAYTER
By A. Cockfield

Chairman: G. GILBERT, (Shamcastle G.C.)
Hon. Secretary: (Warminster G.C.)

Annual Tournament

OUR ANNUAL TOURNAMENT WAS held by courtesy of the Bristol and Clifton Golf Club on the 22nd September. Playing conditions were perfect, one of those autumn days which begins with an early mist then when the sun breaks through it turns out a glorious sunny day. By far the most enjoyable time of year for golf.

Our President, Mr Southgate, who usually works so hard looking after our score cards and sweep moneys, etc., was unable to be with us, but Mrs Snell, one of our Vice-Presidents, kindly stepped in and did an excellent job for which we are very grateful.

The results were as follows: —

Greenkeepers—
1st A. Meaker (14) 147 net.
2nd A. Butler (16) 149 net.
3rd A. Cockfield (7) 151 net.
4th D. Cheetham (18) 156 net.
5th S. Frappell (16) 157 net.

Assistant Greenkeepers—
1st B. Reeves (4) 148 net.
2nd H. Burge (15) 152 net.
3rd W. Light (10) 153 net.
4th F. Tucker (12) 153 net.
5th S. Baber (12) 158 net.
6th R. Parr (12) 161 net.

Veterans’ Prize, 18 holes, morning round—H. Burge, 72 net.

Highest Score, 36 holes—C. West, 208 gross.

The prizes were presented by the club Captain, Mr K. G. Trotman, who was presented to us by our Chairman, Mr Harry Sheppard, who expressed our thanks to all who helped to make the day such a success.

The Captain in his short speech welcomed members to the club and expressed their pleasure in allowing us the use of the course and clubhouse for the occasion and would be glad to welcome us again at a future date. Without question this was a very successful day and I am certain the Bristol and Clifton course improves each time we play on it, also the catering—a very important factor. No section could receive better attention than we do at the B. & C. Club. (We haven’t visited Knowle Golf Club yet.)

A word of congratulation must also go to four of our senior members, average age well over 65, who not only played the 36 holes but carried away the major share of the prizes. Well done! They are certainly tough in the South-West.

We sincerely thank the various firms and local golf clubs who continue each year to give so generously to our prize fund.

By S. Fretter

Hon. Secretary:
Portland Lodge Farm Portland Road Kirby Muxloe, Leicester

Autumn Meeting

OUR ANNUAL AUTUMN MEETING was held at Birstall Golf Club by kind permission of the Captain and committee. Many thanks to them for their kindness, also to the inside and outdoor staff, especially the steward and stewardess.

The weather was not so good as it rained heavily most of the time, affecting the scores returned. Our thanks also to Messrs Ransomes’ representative for starting and marking the cards.

We are grateful to the following for the prizes—Lunevale Products; Sutton & Sons; Carters Tested Seeds; H. Pattison & Co.; W. Hargreaves & Co. Ld.; May & Baker Ltd.; G. E. Bromley Ltd.; S. Long, Esq., Hon. Sec.

The following were the prize winners—
1st D. J. Tolley (24) 7 down (last 9); 2nd R. Willars (22) 7 down (last 9); 3rd S. Fretter (10) 7 down (first 9); 4th F. Frost (8) 8 down; 5th B. Mott (13) 9 down (last 9); 6th D. Bull (7) 9 down (last 9); 7th P. Rodwell (24) 10 down (last 9); 8th D. W. A. Tolley (24) 10 down (last 9); 9th D. Whitehead (24) 11 down (last 9). Vice-President’s prize—S. Long (scr.) 4 down. Visitors’ prize—H. Newton (18) 1 down.
OUR AUTUMN MEETING WAS HELD at the Neath Golf Club by kind permission of the Captain and committee. We had a very nice welcome. In the absence of the Captain Mr Lewis presented the prizes.

We played a 27-hole aggregate medal; 9 holes before and 18 holes after lunch. The morning was nice and dry but after lunch the rain came on and things were not too pleasant. Our grateful thanks to the stewardess, Mrs Jack Rees, who gave up her day off to provide us with two excellent meals. We were very sorry not to see any members from the Glamorganshire Golf Club and hope they will manage to come along to the next meeting. Owing to the very bad weather in the afternoon our scores were not up to standard, but in the circumstances were not too bad.

Results were as follows:

Scratch to 18 Handicap—
1st A. Price (12) 104 net, President's Shield and Bedspread;
2nd J. Rees (9) 106 net, Windcheater;
3rd D. G. Lord (9) 108 net, Pair Towels.

19 to 24 Handicap—
1st T. Finch (20) 133 net, Blanket;
2nd W. Woodham (22) 154 net, Overtrousers;
3rd D. Kenealy (24) 164 net, Pair Towels.

Retirement
I understand Mr F. V. Southgate, of Messrs Ransomes Sims & Jefferies, is retiring. All members of the section wish him a very long and happy retirement and may I add many thanks for introducing his successor, Mr W. F. Payne; we shall be pleased to see him at our meetings. We would like to thank them for their good work in helping with the cards, etc., for our competition.

The prize winners were as follows:—
1st (Clayton Cup and Watch) G. Woodward, 108 ½ net.
2nd (Golf Jacket) J. Grealy, 109 net.
3rd (Putter) D. Brazier, 109 ½ net.
4th (Lighter) A. Boraston, 114 ½ net.
5th (Bone China) A. Stephens, 115 net.
6th (Carving Dish) E. Benbow, 115 net.
7th (Silver Pencil) H. Drewitt, 116 ½ net.
8th (Sandwich Dish) C. Fudge, 117 net.
9th (Bottle Gin) T. Jones, 118 ½ net.
10th (50 Cigarettes) R. Pugh, 119 ½ net.
11th (Condiment Set) E. Walford, 120 net.
12th (12 Golf Balls) G. Bunting, 120 net.
13th (Bottle Whisky) V. Smith, 121 net.

Player with 2 on his card—A. Boraston, Golf Ball.

Visitors—
1st T. Harold, 4 Golf Balls; 2nd E. Ballinger, 2 Golf Balls.

The prizes were presented by our President, Mr Carl Bretherton, whom we were very pleased to have with us. In the absence of our Chairman, one of our old members, Reg Pugh, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Bretherton, the Bloxwich Golf Club for granting us the courtesy of their course, Roy Smith for the condition of the course and the professional for the use of his caddy carts. We are grateful to the donors of the grand display of prizes who were—Thomas Clayton Ltd.; Swallow Raincoats Ltd.; British Steel Golf Shafts Ltd.; H. Pattisson & Co. Ltd.; C. H. Pugh Ltd.; Rigby Taylor

Autumn Tournament
EARLY IN THE MORNING OF 16th September it seemed that we were going to be unlucky for our tournament at Bloxwich but about ten o'clock it cleared up and we had as nice a day as any we have had this summer. We must congratulate Roy Smith on the condition of the course which was immaculate. The attendance was very poor again with only 18 entries and a dozen entries for our invitation match.
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SOUTHERN

By W. Mason
Chairman: W. E. Moore
Hon Secretary: 18 Albert Road, Hendon, N.W.4
(Romford)
Tel.: SUNnyhill 0245

New Members

NORTH-WEST

By H. M. Walsh
Chairman: D. Payne
Hon. Secretary: 78 Hadfield Street, Oldham, Lanes.
(Royal Birkdale G.C.)

Winter Lecture
THE FIRST OF OUR WINTER lectures was held at the Garrick Hotel, Manchester, on Monday, 11th October. A very interesting and instructive talk was given by Mr Castell of Fisons Ltd., who spoke on the very important subject of "Selective Weedkilling". Afterwards the meeting was thrown open to discussion and some pertinent points were raised and given an airing; all in all an evening well spent.

The next lecture will be on Monday, 8th November, Garrick Hotel, 7.30 p.m. and the speaker will be our old friend Mr Finch, of Maxicrop Ltd., followed on 6th December by Mr Ratcliffe, of Rigby Taylor Ltd.

New Members
We extend a welcome to the following new members, S. Wyatt of Stand Golf Club and N. Houldsworth of Hazel Grove Golf Club.

SITUATION VACANT
GREENKEEPER FOR GOLF CLUB to take charge of labour, previous experience as Head Greenkeeper would be an advantage. Salary in the region of £1,000 per year according to experience and qualifications. Apply, The Halesowen Golf Club Ltd., The Leasowes, Halesowen, near Birmingham.
POP-UP SPRINKLERS APPLY WATER AT PARKSTONE GOLF CLUB

COMPLETELY automatic watering of all greens and tees is now possible at Parkstone Golf Club, Dorset. No labour is required; in fact, water is applied at night so that there is no interference with play.

The system, designed and installed by British Overhead Irrigation Ltd., of Shepperton, Middlesex (a member of the Wright Rain Group), was officially handed over to the club on 13th October by Mr W. D. Hawthorn, B.O.I.L. general manager.

There are already installations at Ashford Manor, Denham and Handsworth clubs and others are planned but Parkstone is the first to incorporate watering for tees and approaches as well as for greens.

The club captain, Mr E. P. Ward, said: “The popularity of Parkstone Golf Club is such that the course naturally gets a tremendous amount of wear. The committee are confident that the installation will materially help to keep the course in first-class condition at all times, aiding as it will the work of the ground staff who will then not have to rely on the vagaries of the British weather. In other words, we can apply the right amount of water at the right time to all greens and tees with the minimum of effort and with the opportunity of extending the system to all fairways in the future.”

Water is applied through 105 B.O.I.L. Toro “pop-up” sprinklers which, when not operating, are sunk flush with the ground around each green and tee. A sequence controller in the pump house automatically starts up the pump and selects the greens and tees to be watered for periods which may be varied from three minutes to one hour. Sprinklers are also sited on seven green approaches which, because of their topography, are liable to dry out rapidly in the summer months.

Water is taken to the sprinklers through miles of permanent underground P.V.C. piping. A feature of the installation, carried out in only seven weeks, was that the work did not interfere with the play. The scheme was planned so that only twice did piping have to cross the line of play and this work was completed out of playing hours.

SPECIAL OCCASIONS

NOVEMBER
8th North-West Section, Lecture, Mr Finch of Maxicrop.
9th Northern Section, Talk by Mr B. M. Wood, Old Queen’s Head, Main St., Bingley.
9th S.G.G.A. Glasgow, Lecture.
10th " Dundee, "
11th " Edinburgh, "
25th Sheffield Section, Lecture, Brunswick Hotel, Haymarket.

DECEMBER
6th North-West Section, Lecture, Mr Ratcliffe, Rigby Taylors Ltd.
14th S.G.G.A. Glasgow, Lecture.
15th " Dundee, "
16th " Edinburgh, "

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JANUARY
27th Sheffield Section, Lecture, Brunswick Hotel, Haymarket.
"But you told me in my last lesson to adopt a more aggressive attitude to the game."

Mrs Greenkeeper's Own Corner
with Ann Mawson

Now it is Christmas Cake time and if you like a really rich cake try this recipe:

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\frac{1}{4} \text{ lb.} & \text{ butter} - \frac{3}{4} \text{ lb. plain flour} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. cherries} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. brown sugar} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. raisins} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. sultanas} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. chopped almonds} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. mixed candied peel} - \text{ grated rind of one lemon} - \text{ grated rind of one orange} - \frac{1}{2} \text{ teaspoonful mixed spice} - \text{ pinch of salt} - \text{ glass of brandy} - 4 \text{ eggs} - \frac{1}{2} \text{ lb. currants.}
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Beat the butter to a cream with the sugar, add well-beaten eggs alternately with the flour (sifted), then add the brandy and beat the mixture for ten minutes. Now add the fruit (previously washed and dried) and the halved cherries, then the rest of the ingredients, mix well and pour into cake tin lined with oiled paper. Bake in a moderate oven 3-3\frac{1}{2} hours.

Christmas Cake (Economical):

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\begin{align*}
\frac{1}{4} \text{ lb.} & \text{ self-raising flour} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ teaspoon mixed spice} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ teaspoon salt} - \frac{3}{4} \text{ lb. mixed fruit} (\text{currants, raisins, sultanas}) - 2 \text{ oz. candied peel} - 1 \text{ oz. ground almonds} - 5 \text{ oz. margarine} - \frac{1}{4} \text{ lb. demerara sugar} - 2 \text{ eggs} - \text{ little milk.}
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Sift the flour, spice and salt together. Wash and dry fruit. Beat margarine and add sugar until soft and creamy. Beat the eggs for five or six minutes and add alternately with the flour to the creamed margarine. Continue beating whilst you add the fruit and almonds and lastly enough milk to make a mixture that will just drop from the spoon. Turn into a cake tin six inches diameter by three inches deep lined with greaseproof paper and bake at once for two hours. Regulo Mark 4 for the first hour then reduce to Mark 3 for the second hour.

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