News

from the Sections

EAST MIDLAND

Chairman: F. Frost (Derby G.C.)
Hon. Secretary: Portland Lodge Farm, Portland Road, Kirby Muxloe, Leicester

By S. Fretter

Spring Meeting

OUR SPRING MEETING WAS HELD by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of Kirkby Muxloe Golf Club on Wednesday, 25th May 1966. The course was in very good shape and we thank the Steward and Stewardess and inside staff, and also the outside staff for keeping it so. Also our thanks to the Professional, Mr R. Ball, for the use of the trolleys. The Cup was won once again by our old friend S. McNeice. The winners were as follows: Greenkeepers—1st, S. McNeice 72 (last nine); 2nd, F. Oliver 72 (last nine); 3rd, D. Whitehead 74 (last nine); 4th, L. Carrick 74 (last nine); 5th, D. Bull 75 6th J. Burnham 76 7th, F. Frost 77, 8th J. Hewitt 78 (last nine); 9th, P. McCarron 78 (last nine); 10th, L. Cressy 78 (last nine); 11th, B. Mott 79 (last nine); 12th, I. Toon 79 (last nine); 13th, P. Rodwell 79 (last nine); 14th, S. Fretter 80; 15th, Z. Socha 82; 15th, D. Topley 86. Visitors—1st, W. J. Green 76 (last nine); 2nd, R. W. Ball 76 (last nine). Highest score C. Yayes 92. Under-20 Prize G. Arnold 92. Vice-president’s. Mr Freeman 80 net; Mr Whitcombe 82 net.

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The members were told of the illness that prevented our President from attending, and from all the members we wish him a speedy recovery.

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate P. McCarron of Leicestershire and wish him all the best in married life and also on his promotion as 1st assistant to S. McNeice.

New Members

We welcome to our section the following new members, may they have a long and happy stay with us: M. Hudson from North-East Section to Leicestershire Golf Club; S. Brown, Errewash Valley Golf Club; L. Hampson, Chilwell Manor Golf Club; G. Filler, Northampton Golf Club; G. Andrews, Leicestershire Golf Club.

NORTHERN

Chairman: D. Roberts
Hon. Secretary: 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden, Bingley, Yorks.

By J. Parker

Headquarters Sweep

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED THAT the closing date for the return of the counterfoils and moneys is Monday, 25th July. It is to be hoped that all will have done their utmost to sell their allocation.

Visit to S.T.R.I.

Twenty members visited the Sports Turf Research Institute at Bingley on the afternoon of 7th June prior to the Annual General Meeting. Many members were unable to visit owing to the pressure of work, aggravated by labour shortage. The party was conducted round the plots by Mr E. M. Baylis, Advisory Officer, the new variety grass trials creating a great deal of interest. Members were able to see the new watering system recently installed. The pop-up sprinklers round the golf green were a major point of interest. A visit to the Machinery Exhibition ended an interesting afternoon. Members then retired to the Mansion for tea and a chin-wag.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held in the Mansion at St Ives, Bingley, on Tuesday 7th June. Nineteen members, a most dis-
appointing number, attended. The meeting was opened by Mr D. Roberts who asked members to stand in silence in memory of the late Mr L. Baker before calling upon the Secretary to read the minutes of the last A.G.M. which were approved and matters arising dealt with. The Treasurer then gave his report of the financial position and activities of the Section during the past year. He thanked the Chairman and Committee for their support during the year and the President, Mr W Mountain, for his behind-the-scenes generosity to the Section.

Election of Officers

The following were elected for the following year: President, Mr W Mountain; Chairman, Mr D. Roberts; Vice-Chairman, Mr A. Roberts; Committee, Messrs S. Bailes, J. Mawson, C. Garnett, A. Routledge, G. Bennison, D. Copland and R. Thomas; Executive Representative, J. Parker.

Mr Tommy Hullah and Mr Stanley Smith were elected Vice-Presidents of the Section.

Mr D. Roberts then took over the Chair and thanked Mr Hullah for officiating during the election and members for again honouring him with the position. The President gives a short "thank you" for the President's Prize to be played for a Sunday outing, details of which members will be informed later.

SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman: Hon. Secretary:
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Annual General Meeting

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING took place on Wednesday 8th June with our President, Mr J. Wallis Arthur, in the chair. Although not so well attended as we would have liked it went off well with all the existing officers being re-elected. I am sorry to have to inform Mr B. Wood at Bingley that we could not pay a visit as expected owing to the poor response of our members.

Autumn Tournament

Our Autumn Tournament will be held with the kind permission of the Thorndon Park Golf Club over their course on Wednesday, 7th September. This as in previous years will be open to all members who can invite a member of his parent club as partner to play in a four-ball, better-baller competition. When sending in your entries to me you will please state your club and the handicaps of both yourself and your partner. The closing date will be 22nd August and the draw will take place on the 23rd.

New Members

A welcome to the section to B. W. Gibbs and D. A. Blackman.

Mr A. J. Thame, aged 65 and a member since 1958, writes to say he will now retire on pension after 40 years with the Frilford Heath Golf Club.
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Annual Tournament
(Report by R. Moffat, Secretary)

THE ANNUAL TOURNAMENT WAS held on Thursday, 9th June by courtesy of the Ralston Golf Club, Paisley. After a very enjoyable day with an entry of 103 competitors Mr J. K. Campbell, the Chairman, thanked the Committee and Members of the Ralston Golf Club for the courtesy of their course and clubhouse. He also said it was nice to have such a large entry. Among those present were a number of older members who like to come along and enjoy a day with old friends. Mr Campbell thanked the Trade for their donation of Prizes which were many in number. Mr Park, Captain of the Ralston Golf Club, was invited to present the Prizes. After doing so, Mr Park drew the names of the members who would receive the six complimentary tickets for the “Open.” Mr Park then spoke on behalf of the members of Ralston and hoped we would come back again. Mr G. Alexander proposed a vote of thanks to Mr C. Thomson and his staff for the course and the house staff for their hospitality.

I would like to add my thanks to the members of the Trade who once again did the work and allowed me to have a game. It was very nice to see some new names on the prize list and a number were from the younger members.

The Prize-winners were as follows: The Mongo Cup was once again retained by the West Section. Scratch 1st, H. Diamond (Bogside) 72, Pyrex coffee set; 2nd, L. F. Millar (Erskine) 74, watch. 1st Class K. McIven (Williamson) 76-9-67, Ransome Cup and Tankard, 2nd, H. Wright (Prestonfield) 76-9-67, golf bag; 3rd, W. Shepherd (Musselburgh) 75-7-69, fish knives and lorks; 4th, D. McClelland (Elderslie) 75-6-69, watch. 2nd Class A. Ferguson (Douglas Park) 83-16-67, S.T.R.I. bowl and electric kettle; 2nd J. Bulloch (Ballochmyle) 81-12-69, holdall, 3rd, H. Boyle (Skelmorlie) 86-16-70; putter; T Wemyss (Hagg’s Castle) 83-12-71, golf jacket. 3rd Class 1st, E. Thomson (Haggs Castle) 81-24-57 S.G.G.A. Cup and Flask, 2nd, I. Lowe (Cardross) 90-24-66, golf bag; 3rd, A. Paterson (Glenbervie) 92-21-71 barometer; 4th, A. McIver (Kelburn) 93-22-71 cuff links. New Members T. Skeldon (North Berwick) 83, kitchen set; Veterans 1st, D. Rattray (Fereneze) 92-24-68, lighter; 2nd, J. Baillie (Bruntsfield), 88-17-71, putter. Foursomes 1st, J. Baillie and D. Brown, plates; 2nd W. Donaldson and J. Gray, golf balls. Best score at long holes D. Wright (Ravelston), wallet. Trade Putting J. Souter (S.A.I., Edinburgh), cigarette box. St Mungo Cup, West Section 72-74-75 = 221 East Section 75-75-76 = 226.

The end of June brings us to the end of another year and I would like to remind all members who have not paid their subscriptions that they should be paid before the 30th June for the year 1965-66. I would also say at this point that the subscriptions have been increased and this takes effect from the 1st July 1966. They now are Superintendent £1 10s., Assistants £1, Apprentices 12s 6d. I would like to thank all members who have sold tickets for the “Open” draw, also the East Section for the help in doing the Draw. I am sorry that the R. and A. Committee will not allow members to the “Open” free on production of their membership card. We were allowed six complimentary tickets which were drawn for at the Tournament.

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WEST SECTION

Annual Spring Meeting

BY THE COURTESY OF THE Prestwick St Cuthbert Golf Club, the West Section held their Annual Spring Tournament over the St Cuthbert course on Thursday, 21st April. A good day was had by all who took part. The scoring was as follows Scratch, M. Travers (Gourock) 72, 1st Class S. Bullock (Bellisle) 7-71, D. McLellan (Elderslie) 6-73, J Graham (Glasgow Gailes) 4-74; 2nd Class S. Duncan (Barassie) 15-69, A. Ferguson (Douglas Park) 16-70, H. Boyd. 3rd Class A. McLean (Gourock) 20-66, A. Bayfield (Buchanan Castle 22-69, D. Gall (Dumbarton) 18-71 Veteran’s J Robertson (Troon Municipal) 4-74, D. Paterson (Paisley) 7 75. New Member’s Prize A. McGregor (Largs) 80.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting will be held over the Lanark Course on Tuesday, 27th September

NORTH AND MIDLAND SECTION

Tournament

THE TOURNAMENT FOR THE George McLean Trophy was held at Deeside Golf Club by kind permission of the Council. We were made very welcome and had a wonderful day. The course was in excellent condition and I want to thank Mr Donnachie and staff for their efforts. We had our largest turnout yet, 53 in all counting members and friends and I want to thank everyone for making it such a success.

The Prize-winners were as follows. 1st handicap A. Connell (St Andrews); 1st scratch J Falconer (Panmure); 2nd handicap, W Ritchie (Kirkcudbright); 3rd handicap, D. Livingstone (Ballater); 4th handicap, D. Whan (Kirkcudbright); 5th handicap, W Elder (Monifieth); 6th handicap, J K. Campbell (St Andrews); 7th handicap, I. Sinclair (Ayr); 8th handicap, W Donnachie (Banff). New members 1st, R. Roy (Forres), 2nd, W Cruickshank (Nairn). Trade J C. Pirie. Visitors T Durdan. Highest score W Milton (Dundee).

Congratulations

I wish to congratulate Mr G Leighton on being made an honorary member of Bandorg Golf Club. It is indeed a very great honour and it shows that his services are very much appreciated.

EAST SECTION

THE ANNUAL OUTING TO THE Royal Burgess Golf Course was held on the 12th May, at which there was a very good attendance. The Prize-winners were as follows. Scratch, W Darling (77); New Members Prize, W Shepherd (81), 1st Class D. Flynn (75), W Brown (79), I. Purvis (80); 2nd Class H. Wright (77), D. Shade (78), W Huish (82); 3rd Class R. Cunningham (67), A. Patterson (69), G Cameron (75).

"It's going to be a sudden death play off!"
JULY
4th  Midland A.G.M., Habberley Golf Club, 7 p.m.
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AUGUST
8th  Annual Tournament Little Aston Golf Club.
9th
10th

SEPTEMBER
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For some meals “Fruit Tart”, “Fruit Flan”, or “Fruit Pudding” are always popular. This allows a choice of what kind of fruit is cheapest and best at the moment, or even bottled, tinned or frozen fruits can be used. Frozen fruits are very good, but if possible I always use fresh fruit. Let us hope strawberries are plentiful this year.

Strawberry Crush
1 lb. strawberries, 4 oz. castor sugar, ½ pint milk, wafer biscuits.
Wash strawberries and hull them. Drain them, and mash them with the castor sugar. Mix with the milk and put into individual glasses. Put into a cool place and serve with wafer biscuits. Enough for four people.

Strawberry Flan
1 sponge flan case, 1 lb. strawberries, ½ pint strawberry jelly, castor sugar, cream.
Wash the strawberries and hull them. Arrange them in the sponge flan case. Make up ½ pint of strawberry jelly, and allow it to become cool, but not set. Pour over the strawberries in the flan case. Allow to set. Decorate with cream and dredge with sugar, and add more strawberries. Enough for six people.

Strawberry Pudding, Baked
1 lb. strawberries, 2 tablespoonfuls of water, 2 oz. butter or margarine, 3 oz. granulated sugar, ½ lb. self-raising flour, cream or custard if liked

Wash and hull the strawberries and look over them to make sure they are all sound. Put them into a stewpan with the two tablespoonfuls of water and cook slowly until the fruit is quite soft. Rub through a sieve and put the pulp in a buttered pie-dish. Beat the fat and sugar to a soft fluffy cream and add the flour, mixing well so there is no dry flour left in the basin. Sprinkle this mixture on the warm fruit and bake until the pastry is nicely browned. Serve hot or cold. Whipped cream or custard may be served with it. Enough for four people.

Time about 20 minutes — Regulo Mark 6, electricity 400° F

Strawberry Tartlets
½ lb. strawberries, 2 tablespoonfuls of water, 3 oz. sugar, ½ lb. short pastry
Stew the fruit gently with the two tablespoonfuls of water. When quite soft rub through a sieve. Add the sugar to the pulp and leave until cold. Roll out the pastry and line greased patty tins with half of it. Three parts fill with the fruit pulp. Cover with pastry. Press well at the edges with a fork to make secure and bake in a hot oven until the pastry is nicely browned. Good hot or cold.

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