News

from the Sections

NORTH-WEST

By H. M. Walsh
Hon. Secretary:
J. Gillell
(St Anne’s Old Links)
Chairman: Hon. Secretary:
J. Gillell, Horrobin Cottage,
Old Links Golf Club,
Montserrat, Bolton, Lancs.

Autumn Tournament

Our thanks to the captain and council of
the Childwell Golf Club for their kindness
in granting us the courtesy of their course
for the playing of our autumn tournament
on the 7th October and also the facilities of
the clubhouse. Our thanks also to the ground
staff, E. Walsh and his men, for the excellent
condition of the course, to the stewardess
and the kitchen staff for the two splendid
meals, to Messrs Vaughan and Whyatt for
the valuable help with the scorecards and
moneys and to our friends in the trade who
donated prizes and to all other prize donors.
Thank you all.

Prize Winners (over 27 holes)

Scratch prize, E. Walsh, 107; 1st nett, J.
Gillett, 106½; 2nd, E. Walsh, 107; 3rd, W.
Summers, 107½/9 (C.P.); 4th, M. Owen, 107¾
(C.P.); 5th, J. Robinson, 107½ (C.P.); 6th,
D. Pate, 109; 7th, R. Vickers, 111 (C.P.);
8th, E. Macavoy, 111 (C.P.); 9th, J. Mac-
donald, 112 (C.P.); 10th, A. Leonard, 112
(C.P.); 11th, D. Robinson, 114 (C.P.); 12th,
J. Rhodes, 114 (C.P.); 13th, H. McCaddy,
114½; 14th, E. Drage, 115; 15th, R. Janovski,
116; 16th, A. Fyldes, 116½; 17th, S. Conlon,
117. Over-50s Prize, J. Gillett, 106½.

Visitors’ Prize (18 holes), J. S. Fawcett, 70
nett.

Season’s Greetings

I would like on behalf of the members of
the North-West Section to wish a Very Happy
Christmas and a Good New Year to our
president, the editor, secretary, and green-
keepers everywhere at home and abroad.

Lectures

The January talk will be given by G.
Smythe, Esq., of May & Baker. Date, 10th
January; venue, Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly,
Manchester, at 7.30 p.m.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following
new members and hope their association
with us will be long and happy: N. Green-
wood (Crompton and Royton G.C., Oldham),
A. Ebden (Crompton and Royton G.C.,
Oldham), B. Roberts (Royal Birkdale G.C.,
Southport), S. Conlon (Lee Park G.C., Gate-
arce, Liverpool).

EAST MIDLAND

By S. Fretter
Hon. Secretary:
J. Carrick
Chairman:
4 Queens Drive,
Leicester Forest East,
Leicester.

Autumn Golf Tournament

The annual Autumn Golf Tournament was
held at Erewash Valley Golf Club on Wed-
nesday, 6th October 1971. It was a lovely
day, the weather was glorious, the course
was very good, also a very good turnout by
the greenkeepers. Our thanks to the captain
and committee for allowing us the courtesy
of the course, also the inside and outside
staff. Our thanks to Mr A. Thornton, Mrs
Mott, Mr K. Buckledee for the starting, the
raffle and the cards. Also our thanks to Mr
D. Whitehead for the buying of the prizes.
Our thanks also to Mr M. Young, Messrs
Pattinson & Co., May & Baker, Superturf,
Cannock Fertiliser.

Winners were as follows:

GREENKEEPERS—
1st, R. A. O’Hara (18), Stanton-on-Wolds,
3 up; 2nd, A. Shaw (14), Radcliffe, 1 up;
3rd, M. J. Lake (24), Northampton G.C.,
1 up; 4th, W. Woods (2), Stanton-on-Wolds,
level; 5th, P. McCarron (24), Leicestershire,
4 down; 6th, S. Abblett (24), Northampton
C.B.C., 5 down; 7th, R. Willars (14), Leices-
tershire, 5 down; 8th, S. Fretter (10),
unattached, 6 down.

VISITORS—
E. Abbott (7), 3 down; S. James (7), 4
down.

VICE-PRESIDENT’S—
A. J. E. Cook (20), 8 down.

1ST YEAR—
B. Davis (24), Longcliffe, total 94, nett 70.

New Members

I would like to welcome the following
greenkeepers to this section: Mr T. J. Stone,
6 Manor Road, Burton-on-Trent (Burton
Golf Club); Mr B. J. Davis, 123 Station
Street, Loughborough, Leicestershire (Longcliffe Golf Club); Mr E. N. Lane, 87 Town Green Street, Rothley (Rothley Park Golf Club); Mr M. C. Davey, 3 South Street, Barrow-upon-Sear, Leicestershire (Rothley Park Golf Club).

I would also like to welcome to this section Mr P. Malia, who is now at Rothley Park Golf Club, and hope he will have a long and happy stay with us. Mr Malia has transferred to this section from the Southern area.

October Lecture

Our first get-together at the Ship Tavern was rather disappointingly attended but I feel sure that the 25 who found their way to our new meeting place benefited by the discussions which took place.

Our chairman welcomed all members present and called upon the president, Jack Wallis Arthur, to take the chair. Mr Wallis Arthur expressed the hope that he would not be expected to solve all the greenkeeping problems and declared "Question Time" open.

Our worthy chairman and quizmaster, C. A. Moore, started off a lengthy discussion on automatic sprinklers. He said that he had visited several clubs who had had pop-ups for some time and that these clubs now had problems which they had not encountered before. The question is who can we find with enough automatic watering experience in this country to give advice with the ensuing problems.

The following subjects were also discussed. Tee construction, double greens, autumn rust, Yorkshire fog, and wormkilling by Chlordane and Mowrah Meal. "Using pop-ups to apply Chlordane is an interesting experiment, Hugh. We shall be pleased to hear about the result.

One member said he was using "Verdone" powder in 1946. This was disputed by a fellow greenkeeper who said that Verdone powder had been replaced by liquid by that date. Can anyone settle the argument? There is 100p at stake.

January Lecture

Our first 1972 lecture will be given by the senior horticulturist on turf from Fisons, Mr Bob Morris. It will be well worth making the trip out to hear Mr Morris who has given such fine talks in the past. He will probably talk management in general, perhaps concentrating a little more on recent developments in the golf management world.

New Members

A warm welcome is extended to the new members whose names are listed below—J. M. Thomas, vice-president, D. Cantledge (St George’s Hill), S. L. Grace (West Kent), E. A. Edwards (Romford) and Maurice Emm of Pattisson.

Southern Secretaries v. Southern Section Greenkeepers at Sany Lodge Golf Club on Wednesday, 13th October

The longed-for rain arrived 24 hours too early for our annual get-together with the Association of Golf Club Secretaries. Most of us had worn our knees out praying for it!!! Needless to say, yours truly got the blame for not organising better weather!

However, it was good to see both teams drink their coffee after introductions to their opponents, don their waterproofs and go out to the first tee to do battle. The result, I am delighted to report, was a convincing win for the Greenkeepers (and a soaking) which makes us one up in the series.

Our sincere thanks to the catering staff, Mr Griffiths, secretary, and Mr I. F. M. Lucas, captain of the Secretaries, for making us so welcome at Sandy Lodge.

Accepting the Challenge Cup from Mr Lucas our chairman and captain for the day, C. A. Moore, added his thanks and con-
gratulations to the winning team and thanked everyone who helped to make the day so enjoyable.

Last but not least, my thanks to Fergus Pearce for team and venue arrangements at Sandy Lodge and for accepting not being able to take the cup home so cheerfully.

Details of the match as follows.

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Match result: 5½ - 12½.

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By W. Heeles
Chairman:
Hon. Secretary
J. Scott,
(Wetherby G.C.)
7 Tentergate Close,
Knaresborough.
Tel. 047 376 3851

**STANTON - ON - THE - WOLDS Golf Club**, seven miles south of Nottingham, wish to appoint a Head Greenkeeper. Modern house available. Please write to H. G. Gray, F.C.A., 7 College Street, Nottingham, stating previous experience and salary required.

**ASSISTANT HEAD GREENKEEPER** required by West Herts Golf Club, Cassiobury Park, Watford, Herts. Highly mechanised with Toro machinery. Applications, in writing to The Secretary.

**HEAD GREENKEEPER** wanted for busy 9-hole course on country estate. Free modernised accommodation. Proceeds from pro.'s shop and modest catering. Apply Hon. Secretary, Serlby Park Golf Club, Bawtry, Doncaster.

Mr F. King

I am very sorry to announce the death of Mr F. King. He had only recently retired after many years as head greenkeeper at Elland Golf Club and was a life member of the section. We send to Mrs King our deepest sympathy.

**SITUATIONS VACANT**

**NORTH-EAST**

Chairman:
Hon. Secretary:
J. Simpson
55 Brackenfield Road,
Framwell Gate Moor, Durham.

Sweep Tickets

I congratulate all members who sold tickets for the sweep. The amount collected was a few pounds down from last year. However, a grand effort was made by all. Thank you again.

Subscriptions

There are a few more subscriptions outstanding. I would be obliged if members still owing could please pay their dues as soon as it is convenient.

New Members

We welcome to the section two new members and hope their association will be long and happy. They are: W. Rudd, head greenkeeper of Ravensworth G.C., and G. Palmer, head greenkeeper of Birtley G.C.