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February lecture

It is my pleasure to report another good monthly meeting attendance and to thank Mr. Jennings and his three Flymo experts for entertaining us with a talk, film show and a refreshment conclusion at the bar.

Aided by the projector slides, Mr. Jennings expertly conducted us through the Toro range of machines, commencing with the bread winning 18 in. Flymo. Fondly he referred to the original Flymo as the machine which paid their wages whilst they got on to bigger things, such as the 70 in. and the G.M.3.

The Greensmaster 3 is obviously attracting the most attention at the moment and the question time revealed that despite the £2,000 plus price, over thirty had been sold in this country already, with the expectancy of three times as many in 1972. Regards annual overhaul Mr. Jennings said his estimated £100 compares favourably with the cost of three or four conventional mowers. The Greensmaster 3 mows a golf green in 6-8 minutes and 18 in 3 hours including travelling from green to green time.

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New Members will play from Scratch in 1st year competition and must submit three cards duly signed by their club secretary or Artisan section. I would also like to remind last year's cup winners to bring back their trophies with them or to make sure they are at Maylands Golf Club by Wednesday, 3rd May. The Rule (1971 A.G.M.) one prize only, will be strictly adhered to.

New members

A warm welcome to the following new members: *J. M. Gowan* (Denham), *D. A. Gall and R. Glazier* (Ifield), *H. Morton* and *M. J. Ball* (Eppingham) and *I. Johnstone* of Woodlands Manor.

Deceased

It is my very sad duty to report the death of Ernie Gowing, Head Greenkeeper to the Eaton Golf Club, Norwich. A member of this Association for over 40 years, he was Head Greenkeeper at Addington Palace for a number of years before going to Eaton Golf Club. In earlier days he served under George Hart with Bert Fordham at Hadley Wood.

I have written to Mrs. Gowing on behalf of the Section expressing our deepest sympathy.

Retirement

James Johnstone sends his best wishes to all his friends in the Southern Section on his retirement from Leeds Golf Club. I have written wishing him a long and happy retirement in Scotland when he finishes in February.

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