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37  (Cardiff Cup), K Kitcher (Jacobsen Cup), A Jenkins (Browns Shield), P Lloyd (Birdie Cup), H Morgan (John Duncan Cup), T Garland (Waycott Cup) I Ellis (President's Shield), A Jenkins (Vitax Shield). Aggregates- M Davies (Nett) and H Morgan (Gross).

Elective for officers for 1993 were: T King (chairman), I Morris (vice chairman), H Morgan (section administrator), committee P Lacey, D Archer, M Davies, M Jones, L Hallott and A Panks, with regional board representatives being H Morgan and P Lacey. Messrs Parry and Swain were thanked by the members for all the hard work they have done since taking office. A raffle was held, with Bryn Phillips the first prizewinner of fourteen.

On behalf of the committee and members I would like to thank the many traders who have made donations, not only for our Christmas competition but throughout the year. Without generosity from the following companies the section could not survive: ICIC; Avoncrop; Rufford's; Liquid Turf; Tacit; Farmura; Proturf; Peter Hampton; Roffey's; Sisis; Bigby Taylor; F Sutton's; M Keeling; C Murphy; C Frost; Vitax; Nomix-Chipman; Jacobsen; K Phillips the first prizewinner of fourteen.

We welcome two Nairn greenkeepers to our Association, Richard Ewen and Martin Cummings, and wish Wilson Morrison all the best in his new post at Alford GC. Just before Christmas I attended the Patrons Luncheon at Calder GC, a really worthwhile meeting which provides the opportunity to meet and talk with friends in the trade.

The final draw for the 200 Club was made in December, the winner being Inverurie greenkeeper John Hay, who won the October £30 and the December £100 draw. Other winners were No 198 I Ellis (President's Shield), (September) £30, No 148 TD Elder, (November) £40. This concludes the 200 Club for 1992 and my thanks to everyone who bought tickets, thus helping to raise section funds. The 200 Club for 1993 is now launched and I ask all members to sell cards as soon as possible, or return them during my nine years as section secretary, including those good folk at HQ and at section level throughout South Wales.

PHILIP SWAIN

NORTH SCOTLAND

The section AGM took place in December, preceded by an informative talk on top dressing given by Peter Jefford, Rufford Top Dress Supplies, for which our thanks. Following a light snack our annual golf match Chairman v Vice Chairman was held, with the first match a head to head between chairman Doug and vice-chairman Sam — resulting in a half. The end result was a victory for the chairman's team, four matches to two. Nearest the hole went to Stuart Donald, who also won the first raffle prize, thus preventing a committee clean-up, as Andy Wilson, Sam Morrison and Douglas Duguid picked up second, third and fourth respectively.

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COMING UP

March 9: BIGGA Scottish Region Conference, Ostraide College, Glasgow
March 26-28: BIGGA National Education Conference, University of Keele, Staffordshire
April 21: BIGGA Annual General Meeting, Royal York Hotel
April 28: Westurf Trade Exhibition, Long Ashton, Bristol
May 25-30: Amateur Championship, Royal Portrush, Northern Ireland
June 9-10: Landscape Industries '93, National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire
July 5-8: Royal Show, NAC, Stoneleigh park, Warwickshire
July 15-18: The 122nd Open Championship, Royal St Georges, Kent
July 16-24: International Turglass Research Conference, Palm Beach, Florida
August 2-4: BIGGA National Golf Tournament, Dunbar Golf Club, Scotland
August 18-19: The Walker Cup, Interlachen, Minneapolis, USA
September 7-9: IAG Show, Peterborough, Northants
September 24-26: Ryder Cup, The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire
October 11-12: Toro/PGA European Tour Student Greenkeeper of the Year Award, Aldwark Manor, York