holes, was a close fought battle with Mike eventually winning 2&1.

Finally, can I thank everyone for their support during the last 12 months and wish everyone a Happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

DEAN CLEAVER

SHEFFIELD

Firstly I would like to wish David Milbourne all the best in his new position as head greenkeeper at the new Waterton Park GC near Wakefield which is due to open next year, and to Pat Heaney who has taken up the position at Cavendish GC. We hope you enjoy your new challenge.

Our November lecture was given by Rufford and our thanks go to Peter Jefford of Rufford for an interesting and informative afternoon which was enjoyed by all. This lecture was also the section's AGM which was well supported. I hope we can keep up the numbers for the remainder of the winter. The section AGM was quite an eventful one this year.

The committee is: President – AK Arnold; Chairman – N Mahly; Vice chairman/treasurer – D Milbourne; Secretary – R Ullerthorne; Comp secretary – I Collett; other members – R Graham, J Lax, S Hird and E Monie.

Barry Heaney has had to stand down from the committee this year to undertake the great honour of being chairman of BIGGA in '95. We wish Barry a very successful year and offer any help he might need.

Also at the AGM it was passed that any members wishing to play in section golf competitions next year must attend at least two winter lectures or give reasonable cause for not attending to secretary R Ullerthorpe. Please also remember to wear a jacket, collar and tie at all times while we are guests at Rotherham GC.

For October's lecture I must thank Graham Walker and Gem for the talk. Unfortunately I was unable to attend as I was on holiday but I understand it was an interesting afternoon.

Stan Quinn, chairman of green at Rotherham GC, would like to express how impressed he was by the high standard of applicants for the head greenkeepers job at Thrybergh and wishes to thank everyone who applied and to congratulate BIGGA.

Our February lecture on Thursday the 2nd will be given by Neil Thomas and BIGGA's new education officer Ken Richardson, so please let's have a full house and support our chairman Barry Heaney.

A Happy New Year to you all.

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