News



from the Sections

MIDLAND

By F. Cashmore

Chairman: G. HART (Gay Hill) Hon. Secretary:
76 Four Oaks Common Road
Sutton Coldfield. Warwickshire.

I MUST APOLOGISE TO MEMBERS for my failure to send notes for the August journal. I was on holiday and let it go by. Sorry.

Annual General Meeting

We had quite a fair attendance at the Annual General Meeting at the Robin Hood Golf Club on 25th June.

Our President, Mr. Carl Bretherton was in the Chair and a number of our Vice-Presidents attended.

E. Benbow presented his last Balance Sheet which was adopted. There were many expressions of thanks for the sterling work he had done as Treasurer ever since the Section was reorganised after the war.

Mr. Bretherton was unanimously re-elected as President and we were very glad he accepted the office.

The Vice-Presidents were re-elected en bloc with the addition of Messrs. H. G. Lunt, Edgbaston G.C. and C. F. N. Boulton from Stourbridge.

The following Officers were re-elected:—Chairman: G. Hart; Vice-Chairman: W. Mason; Secretary: F. Cashmore, and on the proposal of E. Benbow, seconded by W. Barton, G. Wilson was elected as Treasurer; E. Benbow was re-elected as our representative on the Executive Council.

G. Hart expressed the thanks of the Section to our Honorary Auditors, Messrs. E.

Ballenger and K. Sargeson who were re-

On his retirement from greenkeeping, our old friend, Harry Drewitt was elected an Honorary Life Member and we wish him many more years amongst us. Mr. R. Stanley of Messrs. Ransomes was elected an Honorary Member of the Section. The President asked members to stand for a moment in respect for Charles Fletcher who had passed away during the year.

Parker Challenge Cup

During the afternoon 14 members played for the Parker Challenge Cup. Result: 1st, A. Mitton, Fenham Park, 86—14=72, Challenge Cup and Tankard; 2nd, T. Jones, Warley, 79—5=74; 3rd, A. Stephens, Moor Hall, 94—20=74.

New Members

We welcome M. H. Williams, 53 Brackenfield Road, Great Barr, Birmingham, 22, who is on the staff of the Handsworth Golf Club and congratulate Bob Goodwin, Shirley Golf Club on his appointment as Head Greenkeeper at Whittington Barracks Golf Club. His address is 167 Birmingham Road, Lichfield, Staffs.

Autumn Tournament

By kind permission of the South Staffs. Golf Club, our Autumn Tournament will be held on their course on Wednesday, 26th September. Will members who wish to play please let me have their entries by 15th September so that I may make arrangements for catering.

Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner will be held at the King's Head Hotel, Bearwood, on Friday, 14th December. More details next month, but please make a note of the date as we wish it to be as successful as last year.

NORTHERN

Chairman: G. W. MASON (Halifax West End) By J. Parker Hon. Secretary: 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden, Bingley, Yorks.

AT THE TIME OF WRITING THESE notes our well-known friend, Ted Calam, of Ganton Golf Club, was seriously ill in Scarborough Hospital. I have written to Mrs. Calam expressing, what I am sure is the wish of all members, for his quick and full recovery to Good Health.

Mr. Bill Hannam

As a result of an accident at work Mr. W. Hannam of Bradford Golf Club, has had a long spell in Bradford Royal Infirmary. He has had to have an operation on his hip and is now learning to walk again. I am sure we all wish his long lay-up will soon be at an end.

Change of Addresses

Mr. Doug. Cooper has taken up an appointment with Barnsley Municipal Golf Club. His new address is:—20 Wakefield Road, Staincross, Barnsley.

Mr. T. O'Brien has moved to foreign parts. His new address is:—H.Q. 7322 A.B. WG. Box 1332 American Air Base, La Martinerie, Chateauroux, France.

SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman: J. K. GLASS (Thorpe Hall) Hon. Secretary: 18 Albert Road, Hendon, N.W.4. Tel.: SUNnyhill 0245

WILL MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT yet paid their subscriptions for 1962, please do so as soon as possible.

Association ties are available and may be obtained from the Section Secretary.

NORTH-EAST

By T. Oliver

Chairman: J. SIMPSON (Ponteland G.C. Hon. Secretary:
Heathery Cottage,
Heathery Lane, Gosforth,
Newcastle-on-Tyne 3.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE SECTION has now reached 42. This includes a few who have not been able to attend a Meeting but have promised to join.

We thank the Executive Committee of the Northumberland Union of Golf Clubs for a donation of £10 towards the Funds.

We are very grateful to our President, Mr. Leslie Jones for his interest and good work on our behalf. He has been a great help in giving the Section a successful and most encouraging start. Thanks, also, to our Vice-Presidents, Mr. K. B. Hood (President, Northumberland Union of Golf Clubs) and Mr. A. Harrison (President, Durham Union of Golf Clubs).

Sweep

We thank Mr. J. L. Lowery, Assistant Secretary of the Section, for dealing with the Sweep and congratulate him on a good job well done. We hope all tickets are returned in good time.

At a meeting held on 4th August, Mr. Lowery gave all the Greenkeepers an invitation, on behalf of the Ravensworth Golf Club Committee, to play with their Members on Sunday, 23rd September, as they are giving Mr. T. A. Lud a testimonial. He has been at Ravensworth for more than 40 years, and was also our Chairman for about 14 years. Since his illness he has not been able to continue his work. We all look forward to meeting him and thank the Members of Ravensworth Golf Club for giving us the opportunity.

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Annual Competition

Our Annual Competition will be played at the Gosforth Golf Club (Bridle Path) on 4th October

SHEFFIELD

By R. Whitehead

Chairman: G. HERRINGTON (Lindrick)

Hon. Secretary: 8 Clifton Lane, Hansworth, Sheffield, 9.

SECTION TOURNA THE ANNUAL MENT was held at the Sherwood Forest Golf Club on Monday, 23rd July by kind permission of the Club Captain and Committee.

25 members took part in the competition over 36 holes.

Prize-winners Scratch Cup: A. Spencer, 165 gross.

Handicap Prizes (Nett scores): 1st, F. Crookes, 145; 2nd, S. Inman, 151; 3rd, J. Baxby, 154; 4th, A. Spencer, 155; 5th, B. Crookes, 157; 6th, C. Chappell, 158; 7th, H. Tanfield, 158; 8th, P. Booker, 159; 9th, R. Whitehead, 159; 10th, O. Spencer, 160; 11th, A. Goldthorpe, 160; 12th, G. Herrington, 161; 13th, T. Stringer, 162.

The Prizes were presented by the Club Captain, Mr. W. G. Smith, who also welcomed our members to the club.

Our Chairman, Mr. G. Herrington thanked the Sherwood Forest Golf Club for granting us the use of the course, Mr. W. G. Smith, the Club Captain for presenting the Prizes, and the Steward and Stewardess for the very

Once again I should like to thank, on behalf of the section, Mr. Vaughan and Mr. Mountain for their help and the following members of the Trade for their continued support: W. Mountain and Son Ltd., H. Pattisson and Co. Ltd., W. Hargreaves and Co. Ltd., Rotherham Sand and Gravel Co. Ltd., Ransomes, Sims, and Jefferies Ltd., May and Baker Ltd., Carters Tested Seeds Ltd., Rigby Taylor Ltd., Lunevale Products Ltd., Fisons Horticulture Ltd., Sutton and Sons Ltd., Stewart and Co. Ltd., Atco Service Branch (Sheffield), and T. Green and Son Ltd.

NORTH-WEST

By B. Ellis

Chairman T. Brennan (Wilmslow G.C.) Hon, Secretary: Romiley G.C.

OUR AUTUMN TOURNAMENT WILL be held at the Bolton Golf Club, Lostock Park, Bolton, on Thursday, the 27th Sep-tember and I look forward to seeing as many as can possibly attend. Entries should be sent in to me by the 20th September but the earlier they come, the better.

Charlie Pennington informs me that he has now retired as Head Greenkeeper to the Prestbury Golf Club ofter 41 years' service. We wish him a long and happy retirement and look forward to seeing him whenever he can get to our meetings.

We welcome the following new Members :-

Class A . McGregor, Brookdale G.C., Medlock Road, Woodhouses, Failsworth. M/C.

J. Rutherford, Golf House, Ashton-in-Makerfield G.C., Nr. Wigan.

W. Schofield, Walmersley G.C., Garrets Close, Walmersley, Nr. Bury.

Class C
R. Jenkinson, 6 Central Avenue, Birkdale,
Southport. Royal Birkdale G.C.

Chairman: TALBOT (Wollaton Park)

Hon. Secretary: 40 Edward Road. Clarendon Park, Leicester

OUR AUTUMN TOURNAMENT, TO September, will be a 18-Hole Bogey Competition. This arrangement was passed at the Section's Annual General Meeting.

Will all those who wish to compete, this includes visitors, please notify me not later than Monday, 17th September. The Wel-lesley Club insisted on knowing how many meals will be wanted at least one week before the Tournament.

Coach

I have not, at the time of making these notes, received any enquiries re. Coach for Wellesley. It has now been decided that there is no call for this transport, and it has been cancelled. We will now try and fix lifts for those who need it.

Subscriptions

We still have a number of Members who have not, as yet, paid their subscriptions for this year.

THE SCOTTISH GOLF GREENKEEPERS' **ASSOCIATION** EAST SECTION

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (East Section) will be held at Longniddry Golf Club on Thursday, 4th October at 6-30 p.m. A competition for Prizes will be played p.m. A competition for Frizes will be p.m., during the afternoon starting at 1-0 p.m., "All in" followed by high tea at 5-0 p.m. "All in" charge 10/-. Will members who intend to be present please let me know before the 28th September.

A. HUISH,

Secretary.

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