

News



from the Sections

NORTHERN

By J. Parker

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G. W. MASON
(Halifax West End)

Hon. Secretary:
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Bingley, Yorks.

Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT, due to be played on Tuesday, 9th April, has been postponed. The new date will be Tuesday, 7th May. Closing date for entries will now be Saturday, 27th April.

February Meeting

Despite the continued severe wintry weather, 30 members turned up for the February meeting held in the Market Tavern, Bradford, on Tuesday, 19th February. The speaker was Mr. H. Winkle, of B.S.A. Ltd., who illustrated his talk with coloured slides. These were most interesting and Mr. Winkle clearly explained the different processes gone through in making up an engine. A vote of

thanks was proposed by Mr. A. Robertshaw, seconded by Mr. S. Bailes, after Mr. Winkle had answered members' questions.

Our thanks are due to our President, Mr. W. Mountain, for providing a delicious buffet supper and drinks.

New Member

We welcome to the Section Mr. W. Dalby, who has taken over the position of Head Greenkeeper to the Ganton Golf Club, in succession to the late Ted Calam.

SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman:
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WE HAD A VERY GOOD ATTENDANCE on 13th February and a cost interesting colour film showing the installation of alkathene tubing for water to all the greens on the Portrush Golf Course. Many thanks to Messrs. Parkers and their representatives who gave the show, especially Mr. Booth, who gave a running commentary and answered all the questions put to him afterwards.

The Section Annual Spring Tournament will be played at Thorndon Park Golf Club, Brentwood, Essex, on Wednesday, 15th May. During my absence in hospital, my Committee decided that all entries for the tournament should be sent to Mr. F. W. Ford, 66 Mercer Road, Holloway, N.19, together with the name of their club and handicap.

Please note the closing date will be Monday, 29th April, and the draw will be made on the 30th. All competitors will be notified.

May I please remind all members that the end of our financial year is 1st May, when subscriptions become due.

(We all hope Bill Mason will soon be back in harness again and send him our very best wishes—Editor.)

Quiz

Topical and interesting questions on subjects such as leatherjackets, ring disease,

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bone meal dressings, soil samples, surface drainage, square frost holes, etc., were discussed at the ever popular quiz on Wednesday, 13th March, at the Tab t Restaurant.

It was very gratifying to see new faces among the old of the 47 members who, despite this never-been-known-before winter, and all the problems that go with it, seemed in very good spirits.

Thanks to our Chairman, Mr. Jock Glass, who, with his natural ability and a big hammer, conducted a very enjoyable evening.

Thorndon Park

Entries for Spring Tournament to Hon. Secretary as usual, closing date Monday, 29th April. Preference of starting times to accompany entries.

Visit to Suttons

On Wednesday, 26th June, a party of 40 members will be guests of Suttons and Sons, Ltd., Reading, and from past experience this will be a most enjoyable and instructional day out.

A coach will be provided, leaving Charing Cross at approximately 8-0 a.m., or members can travel under their own steam. Either way, apply to Secretary as soon as possible.

NORTH-EAST

By T. Oliver

Hon. Secretary:
Heathery Cottage,
Heathery Lane, Gosforth,
Newcastle-on-Tyne 3.

Chairman:
J. SIMPSON
(Ponteland G.C.)

MEMBERS HAVE BEEN INFORMED of a visit to the Sports Turf Research Institute, on Tuesday, 23rd April. The bus will leave St. Thomas Street, Haymarket, Newcastle, at 8-30 a.m. Lunch and tea at Bingley. As applications had to be in by the end of March, will any member who has not yet applied and intends going, please let me know at once, along with any of their "officials".

We are very proud that Mr. L. A. Jones has been elected President of the English Golf Union. Not only does he take a great interest in the game, he is also very keen on our work and greenkeeping, and it was mostly through his efforts that we arranged a meeting with Jock Glass, Chairman, Mr. Dix, Secretary, and Mr. Hawtree, Editor, which was very successful and resulted in Northumberland and Durham Greenkeepers re-joining the B.G.G.A. Mr. Jones has very generously presented the Section with a prize. This will be known as "The President's Putter", the competition to take what form the Committee decides. On behalf of the North East Section we thank him very much and wish him all the best and a happy year of office.

The Spring Meeting will be held on Thursday, 16th May, by kind permission of the Committee of the Hartlepool Golf Club.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Saturday, 13th April, at the Marquis of Blandford, Westgate Road, Newcastle, at 7-0 p.m.

NORTH-WEST

By B. Ellis

Chairman:
T. Brennan
(Wilmslow G.C.)

Hon. Secretary
Romiley G.C.

THE SECTION SPRING TOURNAMENT will be held at the Sale Golf Club on Monday, 13th May, by kind permission of the Council.

Eighteen holes will be played in the morning nine holes in the afternoon. Members are requested to make an early start. Entries should be sent to me by the 6th May.

The Annual General Meeting will also be held at the Sale Golf Club in the evening of 13th May and will commence as near as possible to 7-0 p.m.

Subscriptions are now due. Early payment saves reminders and extra postage.



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