HON. SECRETARY'S NOTES



F. G. Hawtree Memorial Fund

The Trustees of the Fund have two reservations for the Spring Course of Instruction to be held at the Sports Turf Research Institute, Bingley, Yorks., from the 25th to 29th March, 1963, and invite applications from greenkeepers for these places. Members are advised to make early application as there will be no further places available until the autumn.

The Fund is prepared to pay all travel and living expenses in addition to the fees, but the Trustees would be pleased to know from applicants, when applying, if their Club is prepared to make any contribution toward the costs.

Head Greenkeepers are asked to bring the scheme to the notice of promising members of their staff. Age, experience, and any relevant details should be given. New Year Greetings

May I take this opportunity of wishing all members, and the many Trade friends of the Association, a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

C. H. Dix.

Viewpoint

From W. J. Gardner, M.B.E., The Artisan Golfers' Association.

17th December, 1962.

The Editor, The British Golf Greenkeeper.

Dear Sir,

May I be permitted to offer my sincere congratulations to the British Golf Greenkeepers' Association on celebrating its 50th Birthday, and my compliments to you, sir, on the excellent Jubilee number of the Journal. Perusing its contents, my mind was taken back to many happy days in the long ago spent with Bill Smithers, Arthur Lacey (with whose well-known son now in U.S.A. I frequently correspond), Tom Mason, George Philpot, Tom Bridges and many others. I proudly join in the tribute to the Association's founder, the late Mr. F. G. Hawtree, and may I here add a warm greeting to his loyal assistant and devoted partner, Mrs. Haw ree, happily still with us. A few short years after the formation of the B.G.G.A. Mr. Hawtree inaugurated the Artisan Golfers' Association wi h which I have been privileged to be associated for a great many years. The sound advice, the kindnesses, the wise guidance I received from F.G.H. formed a debt I could never repay. I pray that both the B.G.G.A. and the A.G.A. may continue to prosper, for F. G. Hawtree would desire no better memorial.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. GARDNER,

Hon. Secretary.

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