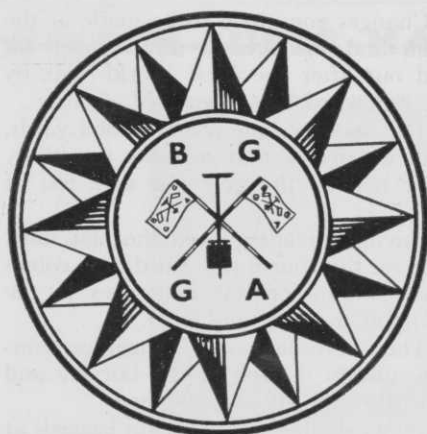


# News



from the Sections

## EAST MIDLAND

By S. T. McNeice

Chairman:  
F. FROST  
(Derby G.C.)

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

### Autumn Tournament

BY KIND PERMISSION OF THE Captain and Committee the Section's Annual Autumn Tournament will be held at Longcliffe Golf Club, Loughborough, Leicestershire on Wednesday, 23rd September.

### New Members

We welcome to the section two new members, D. A. Cope and J. R. Austin.

## SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman:  
J. K. GLASS  
(Thorpe Hall)

Hon. Secretary:  
18 Albert Road, Hendon, N.W.4.  
Tel.: SUNnyhill 0245

### Subscriptions

AS MENTIONED IN HIS APRIL Notes by Mr. C. H. Dix the annual subscriptions as from 1st May will now be increased. I would appreciate if members would send them along without further delay.

### New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members: J. R. Greenfield (Class A), P. K. Bailey (Class B), E. Daunt (Class B), R. Hornegold (Class C), F. Edwards (Class B), also two Hon. Associate members (Messrs. Parkers), R. Elliot and R. Booth.

## MIDLAND

By F. Cashmore

Chairman:  
G. HART  
(Gay Hill)

Hon. Secretary:  
76 Four Oaks Common Road  
Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire.

### Spring Tournament

WE HAD AN IDEAL DAY FOR OUR Spring Tournament at Little Aston Golf Club on 5th May and Gill Woodward took advantage of it to score a magnificent 74 gross which equalled the par of the course, and entitled him to choose whether to take the gross or nett prize. The prize list was:— Ransomes Cup and Electric Shaver, G. Woodward, 149 nett.

Sutton Cup and Bathroom Scales, L. Jones, 168 gross.

2nd nett, Cutlery, V. Smith, 155 nett.

3rd nett, Voucher £3 3s. 0d., A. Boraston, 155 nett.

4th nett, Shaving Mirror, W. Machin, 156 nett.

5th nett, Voucher, £2 2s. 0d., J. Stephens, 157 nett.

6th nett, Voucher £2 2s. 0d., E. Benbow, 157 nett.

7th nett, Bottle Whisky, H. Drewitt, 158 nett.

8th nett, Clock, A. C. Jones, 162 nett.

9th nett, Carving Set, R. Pugh, 164 nett.

10th nett, Bedside Lamp, B. Powell, 164 nett.

11th nett, Holdall, T. Low, 164 nett.

12th nett, 1 dozen Golf Balls, A. Hastilow, 165 nett.

Veteran's Prize (over 55), G. Woodward.

Our President, Mr. Carl Bretherton introduced Dr. Milne, the Captain of Little Aston Golf Club, who had kindly consented to present the prizes. Dr. Milne said how pleased they were to give us the courtesy of the course and hoped that we were satisfied with its condition and had an enjoyable day. Our Chairman, George Hart, thanked Dr. Milne for presenting the prizes and asked him to convey to the committee the thanks of our Association for allowing us the use of their course and clubhouse. The Head Greenkeeper and his staff for the splendid condition of the course, the Steward and his staff for the way they had looked after us and made us welcome. We are grateful to Bill Payne of Messrs. Ransomes, Sims and Jefferies for all the work he had done in the back room, he certainly does a great job. Our thanks to the donors of the magnificent array of prizes, who were: The Little Aston Golf Club, J. F. Cooke, Esq., J. W. R. Robinson, Esq., Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, Sutton & Sons Ltd., W. Hargreaves & Co. Ltd., Fisons Ltd., Carters Ltd., F. W. Lees & Sons, Lunevale Products Ltd., Hilton Gravel Co., Mitchell & Butlers, Parker & Ballinger Ltd., Tudor Mower Services Ltd., Cannock Agricultural Co. Ltd., E.T.B. Mower Services Ltd., Sparkbrook Golf Ball Co.

### Handicaps

Mr. Dudley Evans met us on 1st May and made the following adjustments:—E. Benbow from 6 to 7; W. Barton, 8 to 9; H. Drewitt, 13 to 15; R. Goodwin, 5 to 6; W. Handy, 9 to 10; G. Hart, 5 to 7; D. Haynes, 14 to 18; A. C. Jones, 8 to 9; B. Lowe, 14 to 20; W. Machin, 10 to 12; G. Smith, 20 to 22; G. Woodward, 2 to 3; E. Walford, 20 to 19. New members, T. Rawbone, 15; D. Brazier, 13; L. Greenhow, 24.

### President's Match

I have all the players who played at Little Aston down to play at Handsworth on 25th June, if anyone cannot make it, please let me know but I hope all will turn up. I have not checked up with Mr. Bretherton but I expect arrangements will be the same, a buffet tea being available between four and five. We hope to get the players off as soon as they arrive, please don't let me down.

## WELSH

By S. A. Tucker

*Chairman:*  
M. GEDDES  
(Royal Porthcawl)

*Hon. Secretary:*  
36 Clase Road,  
Morrison,  
Swansea, Glam.

### A.G.M.

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club with the kind permission of the Captain and Committee. We are always very pleased to go there because the course is in perfect con-



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dition, thanks to M. Geddes and his staff. We were lucky with the weather again, having a lovely day to play. We played 18 holes in the morning and held our A.G.M. in the afternoon. Our President, Mr. Ivor G. Nicholls presided and we are very thankful to him for his help and support. Our thanks also go to the trade and local clubs for helping us to have a very good prize list. The following were the winners with what I may call varied cards:—D. Jones, Pyle & Kenfig won the Duncan Cup and an Electric Razor, given by Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, nett 69 for 18 holes. The Birdie Cup was won by D. G. Lord, his prize being a pair of shoes given by Swansea Bay Golf Club, nett 71. 3rd Prize went to B. D. Jones, a Ronson Lighter given by Patisson & Co. Ltd., 74 nett. 4th Prize, D. H. Jones, a pair of shoes, nett 78 won on last 6 holes from J. Williams, who won 5th prize, a Windcheater. The 6th prize was won by yours truly, nett 85, the prize being two pairs of socks, given by the Professional, Wally Gould.

### Autumn Meeting

Our Autumn Meeting we hope will be held at the Whitchurch Golf Club, Cardiff. I will try and get the date fixed up as soon as possible for late in September, and hope to have a good attendance.

### Subscriptions

Subscriptions are now due. Please be good enough to send them to M. Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glam., they were due on 1st May, refer to April journal, Hon. Secretary's Notes for rates, as they have gone up this year. If you are in doubt about how much you have to send please write to Mr. Geddes.

### John O'Gorman

We are all very pleased to see John O'Gorman amongst us. It was nice to hear he is able to attend to his job again after such a long illness. We all wish him well in the future and hope that he will soon pick up a little more strength to help him.

## SHEFFIELD

By J. J. Dearlove,

*Chairman:*  
G. HERRINGTON  
(Lindrick)

*Hon. Secretary:*  
63 Langsett Avenue,  
Sheffield, 6.

### A.G.M.

THE A.G.M. WAS HELD AT THE Brunswick Hotel, Sheffield, on the 30th April, and about 30 members attended, including a Vice-President, Mr. Hickling. The only change in officers is that John Scott takes over as Vice-Chairman. Apologies were received from the President for his absence in the form of a very nice letter enclosing a donation to the bar takings in exchange for liquid refreshments for a lot of thirsty greenkeepers.

Not until the meeting was well under way did some of us discover that we had a golf

reporter in the camp. We thank Mr. Hunter of the Sheffield Telegraph for his offer of any help he may be able to give in the interests of our section.

The following tentative venues and dates were suggested for our golf competitions:

Sheffield Section v. Northern Section at Wortley G.C. on the 15th September.

President's Prize and Annual Tournament to be played on the same day (subject to President's approval) at the Wheatley Golf Club, Doncaster, on 22nd July.

It was agreed that every effort will be made to arrange the following events:

A visit to the Yorkshire Show on Wednesday, 15th July.

cost will possibly be subsidised from section funds.

A visit to Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, of Ipswich (more information on this later).

Annual Dinner to be arranged sometime in October.

#### New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members: D. Jeffcock, R. Cooper, G. Farnary, D. Neve, J. Walker, G. Gilberthorpe and J. Wobschall.

## NORTHERN

Chairman:  
S. BAILES

By J. Parker  
Hon. Secretary:  
8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden,  
Bingley, Yorks.

#### Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT of the Section was played over the course of the Horsforth Golf Club on Tuesday, 12th May, by kind permission of the Committee.

##### Results:

Scratch Prize: M. Henderson (Ganton) 157.  
1st Division: 1st K. Driver (Serlby Park) 143,  
2nd D. Roberts (West Bawling) 148, 3rd  
P. Williams (Northcliffe) 150, 4th D. Copland (St. Ives) 152.

2nd Division: 1st G. Bennison (Otley) 132,  
2nd H. Childs (Fulford) 137, 3rd S. Bailes (Keighley) 151, 4th H. Marshall (Cleckheaton) 152.

Vice-Presidents: 1st R. Kirk 139, 2nd A. Brophy 145.

Veteran's Prize: D. Scott (Scarborough North Cliff) 76.

The prizes were presented by Mr. H. Davies (President of Horsforth Golf Club) and a vote of thanks proposed and seconded by S. Bailes and D. Roberts.

Our thanks are due to the following members of the trade who so kindly contributed to our Prize Fund:—Messrs. Ransomes, Sims and Jeffries, H. Pattison & Son, Stewart & Co., Rigby Taylor Ltd., Pressure Jet Markers Ltd., Grosvenor Garage Ltd., Stephen Toulson & Son, W. Hargreaves & Co., Woodheads Seeds Ltd., T. Jepson & Co., T. Green & Son, Anderton-Richardson, E. Foulds and Lunvale Products Ltd.

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#### New Members

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:—J. C. Bauer, G. C. Macadam, J. McCabe, R. J. McTiernan, F. M. Hustler. This is a good start to the new year and I'm sure that with a bit of effort from members there are many more who could be induced into joining the Association.

## NORTH-EAST

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

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

#### Spring Competition

OUR SPRING COMPETITION WAS played on Thursday, 7th May, on the course of Ponteland Golf Club. The main prize, the "President's Putter", was won by M. Moat of Ponteland, 2nd prize T. Oliver, 3rd prize P. Smith, 4th prize R. Derham.

The nett scores were as follows:—

M. Moat 75 (President's Putter), T. Oliver 76 (Pullover), R. Derham 77 (Tie), I. G. Simpson 78 (Tie), T. Nutman 78, W. Harker 80, D. McNeal 80, T. Kirtley 81, N. Snailham 82, R. Robb 83, J. Snowdon 83, K. Fido 84, J. G. Anderson 85.  
32 members attended, 26 played.

Our President, Mr. Jones, attended the presentation and presented the "Putter" to the winner. In his speech he said how pleased he was with the membership of the Section. The other prizes were kindly presented by Mr. N. Forster, Vice-Captain of Ponteland Golf Club, who said how pleased he was to welcome members of the Greenkeepers' Association. Our Chairman, Mr. J. Simpson, thanked the Committee of the Ponteland Golf Club for allowing us the use of the course and the Steward and Stewardess, Mr. and Mrs. Syron, for the very enjoyable meal, and Mr. Stan Heatherington, the Professional, for the use of the caddie cars.

I congratulated the Head Greenkeeper, J. Simpson, and his staff on the splendid condition of his course where everything was so very neat and tidy. This was heartily endorsed by all our members. We were very grateful to Mr. Pender of Messrs. Stewarts for his help with the cards, and also Mr. Vaughan of Messrs. Ransomes.

#### Les Lawery

We are very sorry to hear that Les Lawery is in hospital and on behalf of all members we hope it will not be long before he is out and about again.

#### New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members: Richard Lewis, 53 Upleatham Street, Saltburn-by-the-Sea, Yorkshire; Derek Ward, 245 Quarry Lane, Marsden, South Shields.

#### SITUATIONS VACANT

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