

# News



from the Sections

## WELSH

By S. A. Tucker

*Chairman:*  
M. GEDDES  
(Royal Porthcawl)

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

### Autumn Tournament

OUR AUTUMN MEETING WAS HELD at the Llantrisant Golf Club with the permission of the Captain and Committee. We would like to express our sincere thanks to the following for the prizes we had for the competition:—Llantrisant Golf Club, including the Ladies' Section; our President, Mr. I. G. Nichols; May & Baker; and Mr. T. E. Lloyd. It is a great help to us to get such support and make the competition a bigger success.

Here are the results:—The Cardiff Cup with Tankard went to G. Philips; 2nd, D. G. Lord, pair of shoes; 3rd, A. Price, holdall; 4th, T. E. Lloyd, pair of overtrousers; 5th, J. Martin, 6 golf balls. There was also a competition for the 19-24 handicap and the 1st prize was won by H. Fry, senior; 2nd prize, W. Hooker. The competition was over a 27-hole aggregate; the following figures were returned:—1st and Cup, net 96; 2nd, 106½; 3rd, 107½; 4th, 111; 5th, 115½; over 18 handicap: 1st, 115; 2nd, 122. These figures are all net.

### Subscriptions

If there are any members who have not yet paid their subscriptions, will they please send them to Mr. M. Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, as soon as possible as they are now many months overdue. Thank you.

### New Members

We are pleased to welcome D. Gude of the Holywell Golf Club to our Section. He has

just joined that club from the Southern Section and we all wish him well in his new job.

### John O'Gorman

We would like to express our thanks to John O'Gorman's family for giving us a Cup in memory of their father. We shall be proud to play for it.

## NORTH-EAST

By D. Earsman

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

*Hon. Secretary:*  
Arcot Hall Cottage,  
Dudley,  
Newcastle-on-Tyne 3.

### Autumn Competition

OUR AUTUMN COMPETITION WAS played over the course of the Northumberland Golf Club on Thursday, 17th September, by kind permission of their Committee.

Results: The best scratch score, J. Hayes, Northumberland Golf Club, 149. The Ransome Cup was won by C. Moseley, Blyth, for the best net score, 149. Other prize-winners: R. Derham, 152; T. Green, 153; J. Simpson, 153; R. Hinson, 154; D. Grey, 158; S. Pope, 159; W. Brown, 160; A. Nutman, 161; T. Oliver, 162.

Our President, Mr. L. A. Jones, attended the presentation. In his speech he said how pleased he was with the membership of the Section.

The prizes were kindly presented by Mr. Hilton, Captain of the Northumberland Golf Club, who said how pleased he was to welcome members of the Greenkeepers' Association. Our Chairman, Mr. J. Simpson, thanked the Committee for allowing us the use of the course, the Steward and Stewardess for the very enjoyable meals, W. Dixen, Professional, for the use of the caddy cars. He also congratulated Mr. R. Raine and his staff on the splendid condition of the course and thanked Mr. L. Lowery for his help with the cards.

### New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members: P. A. Bishop and T. W. Marr.

## SOUTH-WEST

By A. Cockfield

*Chairman:*  
G. GILBERT,  
(Warminster G.C.)

*Hon. Secretary:*  
(Shamcastle G.C.)

### Annual Tournament

AFTER A LAPSE OF THREE YEARS the South West Section returned to Warminster for its Annual Tournament. This course, situated high on the Wiltshire Downs, is always a popular venue for any tournament in this area and we greenkeepers are no exception. The fine fescue turf is the most important ingredient of the course, it makes for easy walking, it never dries out as the hard seaside links or parkland clay courses do and although our visit came at the end of a very dry summer the ball never ran along the fair-

ways like the scalded cat. I believe that one fine summer's day the master, Bobby Locke, went round this course in 59, without doubt a record score. On our day weather conditions prevented records, for all day long players had to compete against strong S.W. gale force winds and squally showers. With scoring always difficult it was left to Barry Reeves, that promising young golfer from the South West, to spreadeagle the field in the morning with an excellent 75 gross. A score which under the conditions I'm sure Bobby Locke would have been more than satisfied to record. In the afternoon he was out in 34 and an even better score seemed possible, but unfortunately the strong winds had taken toll of his stamina and he had to be content with a 77 and a total of 152 gross. A very creditable performance for a hard day's work.

Leading net scores were as follows:—

1. B. Reeves, Long Ashton Golf Club, 144.
2. H. Burge, Long Ashton Golf Club, 147.
3. G. Gilbert, Warmister Golf Club, 155.
4. R. Parr, Bath Golf Club, 155.
5. W. Night, Knowle Golf Club, 158.
6. D. Cheetham, Ross-on-Wye Golf Club, 159.
7. G. Morgan, Lansdown Golf Club, 165.

Our Chairman, G. Gilbert, after thanking the club for their kindness in allowing us the use of the course and the temporary catering staff who had so adequately supplied the inner man, introduced the Captain who had kindly consented to present the prizes and say a few generous words on our behalf.

Our thanks are also due to the following members of the trade and local golf clubs who so kindly contributed to our prize list: Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, H. Pattison & Co., W. Hargreaves & Co. Ltd., John Harvey & Sons Ltd., S. Veals & Son, Fisons Ltd., Sutton & Sons Ltd., Lunevale Products Ltd., Carters Tested Seeds Ltd., Atco Service Branch, W.D. & H.O. Wills, H. T. Proctor Ltd., May & Baker Ltd., Henbury Golf Club, Filton Golf Club, Shirehampton Park Golf Club, Bath Golf Club, Cotswold Hills Golf Club, Knowle Golf Club.

#### Subscriptions

A few are still outstanding.

#### New Member

We are pleased to welcome A. Stone of Lansdown Golf Club.

## SHEFFIELD

By J. J. Dearlove,

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

Chairman:  
G. HARRINGTON  
(Lindrick)

#### Annual Match

ON THE 16th SEPTEMBER WE entertained the Northern Section in our annual match at Wortley Golf Club—by kind permission of the Committee—for the Slater Trophy.

We had retained this trophy since it was

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donated by Mr. Slater several years ago and we had come to regard it as a fixture with this section. However the boys from the Northern Section had other ideas and set about us in no uncertain manner determined to take the cup back with them. Take it back they did after crushing us into the Wortley turf with a resounding win, four matches to one and one halved.

I hear that we'll be playing at Ogden Golf Club, Halifax, next year so "watch out John Parker, we want that cup back".

For the very first time our President, Mr. Shardlow, was unable to be with us for this event and was spared the task of rewording his speech to that of a losing one. We did have with us however, Mr. Bernard Elliott, President of the Sheffield Professionals and Vice-President of the P.G.A., who has now accepted a Vice-Presidency of our section. I think he enjoyed his round of golf on this very pleasant course, and kindly presented the trophies after an excellent evening meal.

On the morning of the match, playing in pouring rain, this section competed for the 'coach cup', over nine holes, which was won by Ron Whitehead with a very good score of net 34.

#### Winter Programme

At the time of writing I've been unable to complete the winter programme but have a number of things in mind including a golf film, arrangements will be as last year for the last Thursday in each month, excluding December.

# SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman:  
W. E. MOORE  
(Romford)

Hon. Secretary:  
18 Albert Road, Hendon, N.W.4.  
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## Autumn Tournament

OUR ANNUAL AUTUMN TOURNAMENT, held on Tuesday, 15th September, at the Denham Golf Club, attracted a very good entry. Seventy-six took part and although the morning started with rain it cleared up later for the afternoon round. This resulted in very good scores. The first prize was won by L. F. Miller and his partner, E. J. Wiggs, who returned a morning card with 37 points, and in the afternoon 45 points, making a total of 82; 2nd prize went to F. Dulake and partner, W. Farley, with a total of 80; G. Hitchcock and his partner, F. Brittin, with a total of 80 received the 3rd prize (the award for the second prize was on the best last nine holes).

Our President, Mr. J. Wallis Arthur, aided by Mr. D. Craig, Vice-President, presented the prizes, before which Mr. Wallis Arthur passed a vote of thanks to the Denham Golf Club for their welcome and congratulated them on the fine condition of the course in spite of the very dry spell. He remarked that although the Greenkeeper was not a member of our Association, he hoped he soon would be. He thanked the Steward and his staff

for a most enjoyable luncheon and tea, and all the visitors who had taken part in the tournament who had, he felt sure, enjoyed the day as much as the Greenkeepers.

## Lectures

Our next lecture will be given by Mr. R. Stafford Smith, representative to Pam Botanical Industries. Quite a number of our members will know Mr. Smith owing to his presence at most of our meetings when attached to Messrs. T. Parker & Sons. The lecture will take place on Wednesday, 11th November, at 6-30 p.m., at the Talbot Restaurant.

I am pleased to say also that Messrs. W. Hargreaves' representative will be along on Wednesday, 9th December. Mr. A. Howe will probably be the speaker and the title suggested with be "The Mechanisation of Sports Management". Arrangements will be made for one of the staff of Messrs. Parker & Son to give support. (Illustrated by colour slides.)

# NORTHERN

By J. Parker

Chairman:  
S. BAILES

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

## Sheffield Match.

IN THE ANNUAL MEETING BETWEEN the two sections 18 members of the Section were entertained by members of the Sheffield Section at the Wortley Golf Club, Stocksbridge, on Tuesday, 15th September.

After early heavy showers the afternoon was glorious. In the match for the "Slater Trophy" the Section were victorious for the first time.

## Results

- K. Driver and D. Storey halved with A. Spencer and E. Peate.
- S. Smith and D. Roberts lost 2 down to R. Whitehead and G. Herrington.
- A. Brophy and A. Money won 4 and 3 against J. Scott and J. Pickering.
- A. Robertshaw and G. Bennison won 3 and 2 against R. Cooper and J. Lomas.
- L. Sharp and P. Williams won by one hole against T. Stringer and A. Herrington.
- H. Marshall and G. Garnett won 3 and 2 against J. Dearlove and J. Gillespie.

Following tea Mr. Stanley Smith received the trophy on behalf of the Section. Our thanks are due to the Sheffield Section, officials and staff of the Club for a most enjoyable afternoon.

## New Member

We welcome to the Section Mr. M. A. Brown, 24 Brantcliffe Drive, Baildon (North-cliff Golf Club).

## November Lecture

This will be held on Tuesday, 10th November, at the White Swan, Call Lane, Leeds, at 7-15 p.m. The speaker will be Mr. F. Mathews, D.H. (Edin.), F.Inst.P.A., of the Sports Turf Research Institute, whose subject



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will be "Trees on Golf Courses". This is the first time we shall have had such a talk and it should prove most interesting. It is to be hoped that attendances will further increase at lectures this winter. Remember these talks are arranged for you.

## MIDLAND

By F. Cashmore

Chairman:  
G. HART  
(Gay Hill)

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

### Visit to Atco Works

OWING TO ILLNESS I WAS UNABLE to be at the Atco Works on 17th September. In his report George Hart said that members had a very pleasant and instructive afternoon. Under the guidance of Mr. K. Sargeson and his colleagues the party was shown and given explanation in detail of every process from

the cutting, twisting, hardening and sharpening of the blades to the finished machine. This included making the rollers from a sheet of steel, the dipping and drying of various parts in green or red paint, also the shaping of the grass boxes.

One could not help being impressed by the quality of the materials used and the high standard of the workman's hip.

Tea was provided in the staff canteen, where members were given a few words of welcome from Mrs. Rees, the Sales Director, and an invitation to return at a later date to enable anyone who had missed this visit to have another opportunity. George Hart responded on behalf of the Section, thanking the Atco directors for having us and Mr. K. Sargeson and colleagues for the trouble they had taken in making the visit so very instructive.

We also thank them for giving a copy of the photograph of the party to everyone present.



### Autumn Tournament

I have not received the results of the Tournament at Stourbridge on 22nd September, I will get them in for next month. Reg. Pugh writes to say you had a very successful day and the weather could not have been better. He tells me that the Stourbridge Golf Club subsidised the meals to the value of £5, which made a substantial reduction to the amount members had to pay, for which we are extremely grateful. My thanks go to Reg. for taking charge of the proceedings and expressing the thanks of our Section to the Stourbridge Golf Club, Mr. T. Penn, President of Stourbridge Club for presenting the prizes and asking all to partake of a drink with him, Mr. Boulton, Chairman of the Greens, and Mr. Rowlands, the Secretary, Mr. Firkins,

the Professional, for the use of his caddy carts, the Stewardess for her work in providing the excellent meals, and Mr. Large and his staff for the excellent condition of the course.

Our thanks to trade representatives who were present, Mr. W. Payne, of Ransomes, who as usual was responsible for the entire running of the tournament, Mr. K. Sargeson, Atco; Mr. D. Gooda, Tudor Mower Services and Messrs. Parker & Ballinger, also to all donors of prizes on which so largely depends the success of our tournament.

### Subscriptions

While at home I have been checking up and I find that quite a lot of subscriptions are still outstanding, please will you let me have them as soon as possible.

# EAST MIDLAND

By S. T. McNeice

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

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

## Autumn Tournament

OUR AUTUMN TOURNAMENT WAS played in glorious sunshine at the Longcliffe Golf Club. This is a tough course with fast running greens as no water is available and called for more skill than ever. The meeting was well supported with an entry of 24. Among those who paid us a visit during the afternoon we were very pleased to see Mr. Edmund Williamson, a past President of the Section, Mr. W. M. Youngs, Professional of Wollaton Park, who has joined us as Vice-President and Mr. Bert Parsons, who is making a good recovery after his illness early this year. Also joining the party was Mr. G. V. Lee of Leicester Horticultural Eng. Co.

The leading scores and prize-winners were as follows:—

- 1st, S. Fretter, Kirby Muxloe, 1 down.
- 2nd, F. Oliver, Bulwell Hall, 2 down.
- 3rd, B. Mott, Kingsthorpe, 3 down.
- 4th, S. T. McNeice, Leicestershire, 5 down.
- 5th, R. W. Willars, Leicestershire, 6 down.
- 6th, J. B. Carrick, Northamptonshire, 6 down.
- 7th, P. McCarron, Leicestershire, 7 down.
- 8th, F. Frost, Derby Municipal, 7 down.
- 9th, D. Bull, Bulwell Hall, 7 down.
- 10th, A. Thornton, Wollaton Park, 7 down.

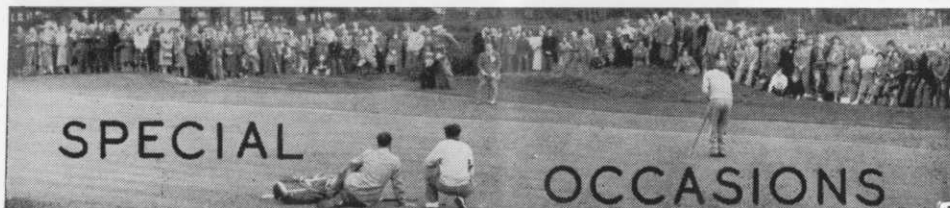
11th, S. Talbot, Wollaton Park, 7 down.  
12th, J. R. Austin, Rushcliffe, 8 down.  
13th, D. Whitehead, Wollaton Park, 9 down.  
Highest number of holes lost, A. J. Knight, Northamptonshire, 17 down.

Our Section Chairman, Mr. F. Frost, on behalf of the Section thanked all who were concerned in helping to make this event so successful, saying we were indebted to the Committee of the Longcliffe Golf Club for allowing us the use of their course and thanking the Captain, Dr. A. H. Brambir, who very kindly presented the prizes. Mr. A. J. E. Cook (Vice-President) reiterated Mr. Frost's remarks and made special reference to the donors of the prizes who readily supported these tournaments in making contributions year after year.

We are greatly indebted to the following who kindly contributed to our prize fund: The Golf Ball Manufacturers Conference, Messrs. H. Patisson & Co. Ltd., Messrs. Sutton & Sons Ltd., Messrs. W. Hargreaves & Co. Ltd., Messrs. Lunevale Products Ltd., Messrs. Carters Tested Seeds Ltd., Messrs. May & Baker Ltd., Messrs. Hental & Chattel Ltd., Mr. A. J. E. Cook, Mr. S. C. Long, Mr. M. W. Youngs and Dr. Walsh.

## Subscriptions

Mr. A. Thornton informs me that we still have seven members on our books who have not paid their subscriptions. We should be most grateful if these members would pay their dues; send it along now.



## NOVEMBER.

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| 9th  | North West Section Lecture, Garrick Hotel, Fountain St., 7-30 p.m.  |
| 10th | Northern Section Lecture, White Swan, 7-15 p.m.                     |
| 10th | East Midland Section, Films, Railway Hotel, Campbell St., 7-30 p.m. |
| 11th | Southern Section Lecture, Talbot Restaurant, 6-30 p.m.              |

## DECEMBER.

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| 7th | North West Section, Lecture.                           |
| 9th | Southern Section Lecture, Talbot Restaurant, 6-30 p.m. |

## JANUARY.

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| 11th | North West Section, Lecture. |
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## FEBRUARY.

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| 15th | North West Section, Lecture. |
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## MARCH.

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| 6th | North West Section, Lecture. |
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