B.G.G.A. IN SOMERSET

The Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club was once again a very happy choice by the South-West Section for this year's Tournament. It is eleven years since last we were there, the club officials remembered the last occasion with pleasure and we hope that they will remember this occasion with as much pleasure as all those who attended. Apart from the 50-odd greenkeepers who came down for the competitive side of the event, there must have been 30 camp-followers who swelled the attendance most agreeably.

Already on Sunday most of the players made aquaintance with the course in the practice round and the greetings of old comrades were pleasant to hear.



Mr. Jack Lee, D. M. Craig, Jack Noakes and George Barnfield. Mrs. Williams, Miss Rocker and Mrs. O. P. Jones.



Messrs. Drewitt, Cashmore and Benbow with the President.

As to the golf, we will let the record of the winners speak for itself. On Monday it was D. Jones of the Welsh Section who romped away with the Stableford competition with his 46 points. Two birdies at the 5th and 6th holes, nominally 5-bogeys although only 419 and 420 yards, laid the foundation of his

excellent score. On Tuesday, it was no surprise when J. W. Kirkpatrick, of Dulwich & Sydenham Golf Club took back the News of the World Challenge Cup, which he had kindly brought down to let us see for a short time after his victory last year, while in the Senior Division, B. Reeves took the Ransomes Cup and Gold Watch with a score of 135 and in the Juniors, E. R. James was the winner of the Pattisson Trophy and Gold Watch. The other sort of senior golfers were also competing in the "Coming of Age" Cup and here H. J. Drewitt was winner after the problems of those who could select the competition in which they wished their scores to count had been resolved. Appropriately enough, the Jubilee Cup fell to the team likely to have the most local knowledge, namely South West.

At the Annual General Meeting we heard that next year's competition will be at Whitley Bay in the North East and it will be interesting to see if that section pull of the same feat.

The Prize-giving was, as always, a cheerful occasion. Mr. George Irlam, the Captain of Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club and a Somerset County player,



Mrs. Pugh and Miss Brenda Rocker practising in front of the clubhouse.

gave away the prizes and he was supported by Mr. Bill Woodman, the Chairman of the Green Committee, and Mr. Donald Hood Wright, the Hon. Secre-Our President and our Hon. Secretary expressed the best thanks of the Association to the Club for all its kindness, to the indoor and outdoor staffs for all their help, to all those who had so generously donated prizes and to Mr. W. F. Payne and Mr. F. V. Southgate of Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd. who had sat patiently at the recorder's table throughout the three They also appreciated the company of Mr. D. M. Craig, who assisted with the starting and Mr. J. N. K. Le Fleming Shepherd, M.B.E., of Messrs. Pattisson. All too soon another tournament was over, but it will still seem like yesterday when we all meet again next year in the opposite corner of England.

NATIONAL EXHIBITION

at

THE HURLINGHAM CLUB GROUNDS RANELAGH GARDENS FULHAM, S.W.6

on

WEDNESDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1964 from 10-30 a.m. to 6-0 p.m.

and

THURSDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1964 from 10-0 a.m. to 4-30 p.m.

National Association of Groundsmen Wolverhampton Branch Groundsman's Field Day

at

WOLVERHAMPTON CRICKET GROUND

DANESCOURT ROAD TETTENHALL

(by kind permission of the Wolverhampton Cricket Club)

on

THURSDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER, 1964

Everyone welcome, ample parking facilities, refreshments available.

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MR. JOHN O'GORMAN

We have heard with much sorrow of the death of Mr. John O'Gorman, who was Secretary of the Welsh Section for many years and Head Green-keeper at Penarth Golf Club, Glamorganshire. Mr. O'Gorman was a widower and we offer our deep sympathy to his family. He was a most popular figure in the Greenkeepers Association and will be sadly missed by many friends.