

News



from the Sections

SOUTH-WEST

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 (Warminster G.C.)

By A. Cockfield
Hon. Secretary:
 (Shamcastle G.C.)

Christmas Dinner

OUR CHRISTMAS DINNER, THE first of what we hope will be an annual event, took place at Clevedon Golf Club, on 12th December. For a first attempt I'm sure everyone will agree that the evening was a great success and we are once again very grateful to the Clevedon Golf Club for allowing us the use of the clubhouse.

Our President, Mr. Southgate, presided and introduced our Association Chairman, Harry Sheppard, who thanked everyone for supporting our Dinner. Mr. Southgate then proposed a toast to the guests. Mr. Nicholas (Clevedon Golf Club) responded, at the same time adding a few words of welcome.

On behalf of our committee I should like to say how pleased we were with the success of the evening. It is the greatest reward of all for time spent in organisation and we all look forward to another next year.

Our Dinner was preceded by an 18 hole medal round. This is always a light-hearted affair and to add to the festive occasion a few seasonal prizes were to be won. Harry Sheppard (Weston-Super-Mare Golf Club) with a nett 67 won a bottle of whisky. F. Tucker (Knowle Golf Club) and G. Morgan (Lansdown Golf Club) a bottle of sherry each. C. Burge (Long Ashton Golf Club) a golf umbrella and W. Light, a bottle of wine.

As this competition like the Christmas Dinner is to be an annual event, Mr. Veals (Ransomes agent for Bristol) is providing us with a trophy to play for. A very generous

gesture for which we are extremely grateful.

Regrettably, the light-heartedness of our Christmas festivities was soon to be dashed, for we learned that our Chairman, Harry Sheppard, had tragically lost his wife on the day following the Dinner. Although Mrs. Sheppard had not for some time enjoyed the best of health, her death came as a great surprise and shock to us all. I feel sure all our members will be sorry to hear this and will join me in expressing our deepest sympathy.

NORTHERN

By J. Parker

Chairman:
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 Bingley, Yorks.

Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT of the section will be played over the course of the Shipley Golf Club, Beckfoot, Bingley, on Thursday, 6th May, 1965 (by kind permission of the Committee).

Handicap

The following adjustment of handicap has been made:—P. Williams (6).

February Lecture

This will be held on Tuesday, 16th February, at White Swan, Call Lane, Leeds, at 7-15 p.m. The speaker will be a representative of Messrs. Synchemical Ltd., who will take for his subject "Turf Chemicals,

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New Techniques". As the speaker will be making a long journey to give the talk your committee look for a good attendance.

Grand National Sweep

In an effort to make this more attractive your committee have this year decided to increase the value of the 1st and 2nd prizes. This means that more tickets will have to be sold to increase any profits and they hope you will not let them down with your efforts. Just drop me a line and I will send you more tickets.

SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

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(Romford)

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Lecture

AS ALREADY MENTIONED IN MY January notes, our next lecture will be given by Mr. William Finch, Messrs. Maxicrop Ltd., on Wednesday, 10th February.

Section Dinner

I would like to remind members that our Section Dinner will be held on Friday, 26th March.

Past Lecture

Our last lecture I am very pleased to say was well attended and most interesting, with a wonderful film showing all the latest piercing machines.

I would like a very hearty vote of thanks to be accorded to Messrs. Hargreaves' representative, coupled with Messrs. Parkers' representative who attended to the slides.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members:—G. Taylor, J. E. Cox, M. Nelson, and M. Gay.

Quiz

A reminder that on Wednesday, 10th March, a Quiz will be held at the Talbot Restaurant.

NORTH-WEST

By V. Crabtree

Chairman:
D. PATE
(Royal Birkdale G.C.)

Hon. Secretary:
223 Market Street
Whitworth, Nr. Rochdale

Lecture

AFTER THE GREAT SUCCESS OF our December lecture we were disappointed that the January one had to be cancelled. Arrangements were made with Mr. Finch of I.T.P. Ltd., who unfortunately is not now with the company.

I.T.P. Ltd., wrote to apologise for being unable to provide an alternative lecturer and as it was too late to approach anyone else, cards had to be sent, cancelling the meeting. I am sorry but circumstances were beyond my control.

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February Meeting

Our February meeting will be held on the 15th at the Garrick Hotel, Fountain Street, Manchester, as usual at 7-30 p.m., when we have a representative of Messrs. H. Patisson & Co. Ltd., with us.

SITUATIONS VACANT

ASSISTANT HEAD GREENKEEPER required for City of Newcastle Golf Club. Age 20 to 25. Apply, stating experience, etc., to the Secretary, City of Newcastle Golf Club, Three Mile Bridge Road, Gosforth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 3.

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