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## OBITUARY

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### Mr C. A. TYDEMAN

We have learnt with deep regret of the death of Mr C. A. Tydeman, a former Hon. Treasurer of the Association and a stalwart member of the Southern Section.

He started his career on the Fulwell Golf Course, moving later to The Old Acton Golf Club where he was under Head Greenkeeper, G. Fennell.

The Acton Club moved to Sudbury in 1920 and a year later "Tidy" was promoted to the senior post on the

ground staff. He was Head Greenkeeper until he retired, affirming that he could not have wished for better treatment. Much of this must have been due to the man himself, for his retirement was marked by both a pension and the freedom of the club.

He was a member of the Association for so many years that he included service on the Southern Section Committee, was twice Chairman of that Section, as well as Hon. Treasurer of the Association. He will be sorely missed.

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### Mr G. A. JONES

G. A. Jones, Head Greenkeeper of Little Aston Golf Club, died on 26th May at the early age of 66. His loss has deeply affected the members of the Midland Section and the members of his club who held him in the highest esteem. He was a man who made of greenkeeping both his life's work and his pleasure. His personal qualities won him wide respect—his skills an equal admiration.

He was born in Four Oaks not far from Little Aston in 1899 and at the age of 14 started work as an assistant gardener. When 18, he joined the Worcestershire Regiment and saw service with the Army of Occupation in Germany. In 1919 when demobilised, he joined the ground staff at the club where he stayed for the rest of his life. He became Head Greenkeeper in 1959 on the death of his brother Ernest.

He prepared his course for two Dunlop "Masters", a Schweppes Tournament and the last "Martini". He was cutting new holes right up to the Friday night before the last day's play, four days before his death.

"Bert" Jones' brother Cecil still works on the course with 47 years' service to the club. The Association will join in sending him every sympathy and to his niece with whom Bert, a bachelor all his life, made his home. Mr J. F. Cooke, writes "I say as Chairman of the Green Committee that Bert was a perfectionist and one who was easy to work with. He will be sadly missed by all at Little Aston."

Alan Boraston who joined the staff in 1953 has been appointed Head Greenkeeper to carry on the great greenkeeping tradition at this club.