ful, my Chairman and Committee for the great interest they always show and last but not least all the members for their co-operation in correspondence etc. It makes our work so much easier with everyone doing his bit (many hands make light work).

After the Annual General Meeting had closed our Vice-Chairman, Mr D. G. Lord, and I were called into the Secretaries Meeting to discuss a wages scale for all the Head Greenkeepers and their staff. It was a most pleasant talk and Mr Lord and myself think that a lot will be done about it, to the benefit of all concerned.

Annual Draw

By the time you read these notes I hope you will have sold all the tickets I sent you. Please make the effort as it is a great advantage to the association and section. All unsold tickets, counterfoils and money should be returned to me not later than 3rd August, so that I can have a little time in getting them off to Headquarters in time for the draw. Please send earlier if possible. I have a few books left if required.

Annual General Meeting — P.S.

All members stood for a minute's silence for absent friends, Mr John O'Gorman, Mr E. G. Sharrett, also one of our V.P.s, Mr D. H. Rees, I am pleased to say that Mr Rees' son E. L. Rees has kindly consented to carry on his father's name. We were all sorry to hear about our good member Mr T. E. Lloyd's loss in the passing of his wife, we wish him all the best of luck for the future.

NORTH-EAST

Chairman: J. SIMPSON (Ponteland G.C.) By D. Earsman Hon. Secretary: Arcot Hall Cottage Dudley Newcastle-on-Tyne, 3

Spring Competition

OUR SPRING COMPETITION WAS played on Thursday, 6th May, on the course of Whitburn Golf Club. Results—the President's Putter was won by D. Gray,

Newcastle United Golf Club — 66; 2nd, D. Hogg — 70; 3rd, R. Derham — 73. Congratulations to D. Gray who also broke the record of the course.

Our President, Mr L. A. Jones, presented the Putter and congratulated Mr Gray on

winning it for the second time.

Other prizes were presented by Mr G. B. Thomson, Captain of the Whitburn Golf Club, who said how pleased he was to welcome members of the Greenkeepers Association, and would be pleased to have us back again.

Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, thanked the Committee of Whitburn Golf Club for allowing us the use of the course, and Mr Robb and Mr R. Nicholson for kindly donating prizes. He also thanked the Steward and Stewardess for a very enjoyable meal.

He also congratulated R. Robb, Head Greenkeeper, on the fine condition of the course, this was heartily endorsed by all.

Again our thanks to Mr Beveridge of Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd., and Mr L. Lowery for attending to the cards.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members:—C. Harrison, D. Snowdon and T. W. MacCue, we look forward to them joining in our many activities.

Self-Portrait

My brain says to my body:

"Now, take it easy, son,
Self-confidence is all you need
To make a hole in one.
You're as good as any pro, boy
Just take your time — you'll see,
Come on now: you can do it "
And my body says: "Who? Me?"

- STEPHEN SCHLITZER.

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