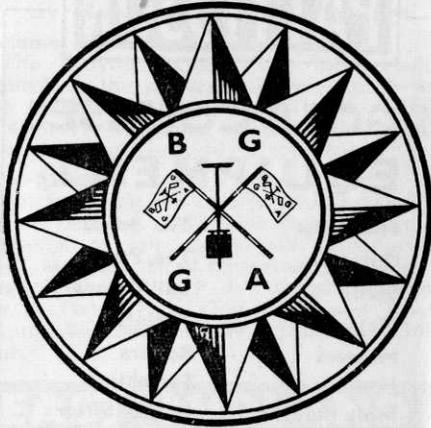


News



from the Sections

WELSH

Chairman:
M. GEDDES
(Royal Porthcawl)

By S. A. Tucker
Hon. Secretary:
36 Clase Road
Morrison
Swansea, Glam.

Spring Meeting

WITH THE KIND PERMISSION OF the Captain and Committee of the Dinas Powis Golf Club we were able to hold our Spring Meeting at their course. We were very lucky with the weather having a good day of sunshine and the course was in excellent condition. Our thanks to the staff for the way they looked after us.

We played a 27 hole aggregate medal in two handicap sections. Scratch to 18 and 19 to 24. D. H. Jones of Llantrisant won the Cardiff Cup and half a tea service with a net 100; 2nd was H. Fry, Jnr., net 107; 3rd D. G. Lord 110½. With the 19-24, 1st was won by G. Phillips, net 105; 2nd W. Lewis, net 118; 3rd W. Hooper, net 123. We had a very good attendance of 26 members.

A.G.M.

Our Summer Meeting will be held at the Southerndown Golf Club on 1st June when we will be holding our Annual General Meeting. An 18 hole competition will be played for the John Duncan Cup, Runner Up Cup has been given by the family of the late John O'Gorman. Birdie Cup will be given for the 19-24 handicap. Please come along in good time, if the weather is bad we will hold the A.G.M. in the morning hoping the weather will clear by the afternoon. Entries please, no later than 14th May.

Any member having a proposition or suggestion for the A.G.M. please forward same to me not later than 16th May.

NORTHERN

By J. Parker
Chairman: S. BAILES
Hon. Secretary: 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden
Bingley, Yorks.

Visit to S.T.R.I.

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE for the section to visit the Sports Turf Research Institute, Bingley, on Wednesday, 2nd June.

Members attending are asked to assemble outside the offices at 1.45 p.m. The visit will be followed by the Annual General Meeting of the section, details of which will be shown on the balance sheet. Refreshments will be available in the Mansion café.

March Lecture

The last lecture of the winter session was held on Monday, 22nd March in the Market Tavern, Bradford. We were pleased to have as the Speaker our Hon. Editor and well-known Golf Course Architect, Mr F. W. Hawtree.

Unfortunately the weather was about the worst of the winter and only twenty-five ventured out. Mr Hawtree took us on a "tour" of Golf Courses in England and on the Continent, illustrating his talk with colour slides. This was followed by questions and discussion and the whole evening was most enjoyable and instructive. A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr S. Bailes and Mr D. Roberts respectively.

Subscriptions

Members are reminded that subscriptions for the year 1965-1966 become due on 1st May. Prompt payment would be much appreciated.

SHEFFIELD

Chairman:
G. HERRINGTON
(Lindrick)

By J. J. Dearlove
Hon. Secretary:
63 Langsett Avenue
Sheffield, 6

Winter Meeting

OUR LAST MEETING OF THE winter programme at the Brunswick Hotel on Thursday, 25th March, was devoted to a talk on the training of apprentices.

Mr B. M. Wood the Secretary of the Joint Council for Golf Greenkeepers Apprenticeships came along to explain the scheme, which he did very thoroughly indeed.

Unfortunately only five golf clubs were officially represented out of twenty-five invited to attend, hardly good enough considering Mr Wood's journey. The greenkeepers, however, did consider the meeting to be important and gave their usual support to bring the attendance up to about thirty.

A number of interesting points did evolve

from the meeting and high on the list was for the scheme to be given more publicity and for apprentices to be given Diplomas of Qualification on completion of training.

The question of wages was again in prominence, it appears that a more detailed scale should be decided upon at section level now that some guidance has been given by the Executive Committee. I have received a number of requests for details of wages quite recently and can still only refer to the *Report on Wages Survey* in the January issue of this Journal.

SOUTHERN

By W. Mason

Chairman:
W. E. MOORE
(Romford)

Hon Secretary:
18 Albert Road, Hendon, N.W.4.
Tel.: SUNnyhill 0245

Quiz

OUR LAST LECTURE IN THE FORM of a Quiz kept J. K. Glass, our Quiz Master, very busy. All kinds of questions were asked, one rather unusual one being, should tees be constructed to have fall from back to front or vice-versa. After quite a debate the majority were in favour that they should be made as level as possible.

Dinner

Our Dinner proved quite an enjoyable occasion. We were sorry that owing to illness our old friend C. A. Tydeman could not come along and we all wish him a speedy recovery. Owing to various circumstances Mr Carl Bretherton, the Chairman Mr Sheppard and Mr Moss were unable to attend.

A.G.M.

Our section Annual General Meeting will be held as usual at the Talbot Restaurant. Please make a note of the date, Wednesday, 9th June. We hope every effort will be made by members to come along.

May I remind you that 1st May is the end of our financial year and it would be a great help to me if you will send along your subscriptions without delay.

NORTH-EAST

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

By D. Earsman
Hon. Secretary:
Arcot Hall Cottage
Dudley
Newcastle-on-Tyne, 3

Lecture

A VERY INTERESTING LECTURE on "Turf Diseases" given by Mr Lidgate of S.T.R.I. was held on Thursday, 17th March, at the Carlisle Hotel, Newcastle, in conjunction with the N.A.G. With the aid of slides Mr Lidgate discussed most of

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the fungal diseases and afterwards answered many questions put to him.

Lecture and Film Show

A lecture and film show was held on on 25th March at the Crown Hotel. It was given by Mr Beveridge of Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies who gave us plenty of good information on maintenance and answered the many questions fired at him by members.

Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, on behalf of the greenkeepers and groundsmen, thanked Mr Beveridge and said how pleased he was to welcome him to the North East.

New Appointment

Our best wishes to Mr Thompson on his appointment as Head Greenkeeper at Whitby Golf Club.

MIDLAND

By F. Cashmore

Chairman:
G. HART
(Gay Hill)

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

President's Match

THIS ANNUAL EVENT, WHEN OUR President, Mr Carl Bretherton, invites us to Handsworth Golf Club to play against his team chosen from the best of the Midlands Amateur Golfers, will be held on the evening of 22nd June. Most of you are familiar with the arrangements and I hope you will show your appreciation of Mr

Bretherton's efforts on our behalf by turning up in full strength.

I shall be away on holiday from 22nd May until 5th June. Will anyone not able to play please let me know after then.

Autumn Tournament

The Bloxwich Golf Club have kindly granted us the courtesy of their course for our Autumn Tournament on Thursday, 16th September. We thank them for their kindness and look forward to our visit.

New Members

The following new members will be joining us on 1st May. We give them a cordial invitation to join us in our activities:—
W. J. Marnock, Head Greenkeeper, Coventry Hearsall Golf Club, P. J. Coleman, Apprentice at Oxley Park Golf Club, and R. J. Erratt, Associate Member, Harborne Golf Club.

EAST MIDLAND

By S. Fretter

Hon. Secretary:

Portland Lodge Farm
Portland Road
Kirby Muxloe, Leicester

(Derby G.C.)

Chairman:
F. FROST

Annual Spring Tournament

AS ALREADY ANNOUNCED IN THE forthcoming occasions the Spring Tournament will be held on Wednesday, 12th May at the Northamptonshire County Golf Club, Chapel Brampton. This will be an 18 hole Medal Event, commencing at 1 p.m.

As I failed to make this announcement in the April issue of the Journal I have notified members by post. If by any chance you have not received any notice and wish to attend please notify me at once. My club telephone number is Leicester 774121.

New Secretary

At the last Annual General Meeting of the section, S. Fretter promised he would take over duties as Honorary Secretary of the section as soon as business commitments allowed him to do so. He has now informed me that he is ready to take over.

All correspondence should now be addressed to S. Fretter, Portland Lodge, Portland Road, Kirby Muxloe, Leicestershire.

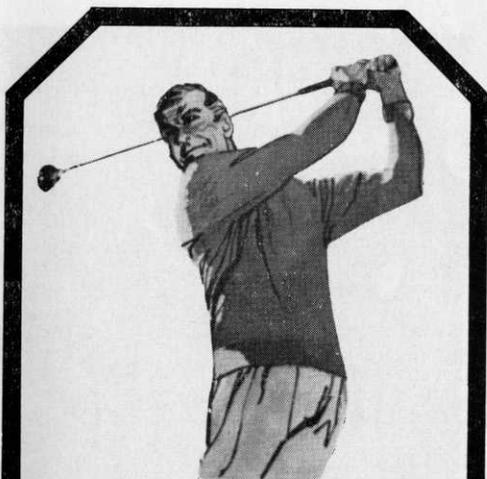
Subscriptions

May I remind members that their subscriptions for the year 1965-1966 are now due. Please send them to A. Thornton, 15 Trent Road, Beeston, Notts.

Adv. for a golf driving range: "Golf instruction. Slide and Swings for Children. Come out and hit a few."

MISCELLANEOUS

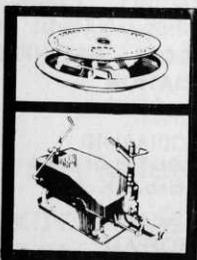
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