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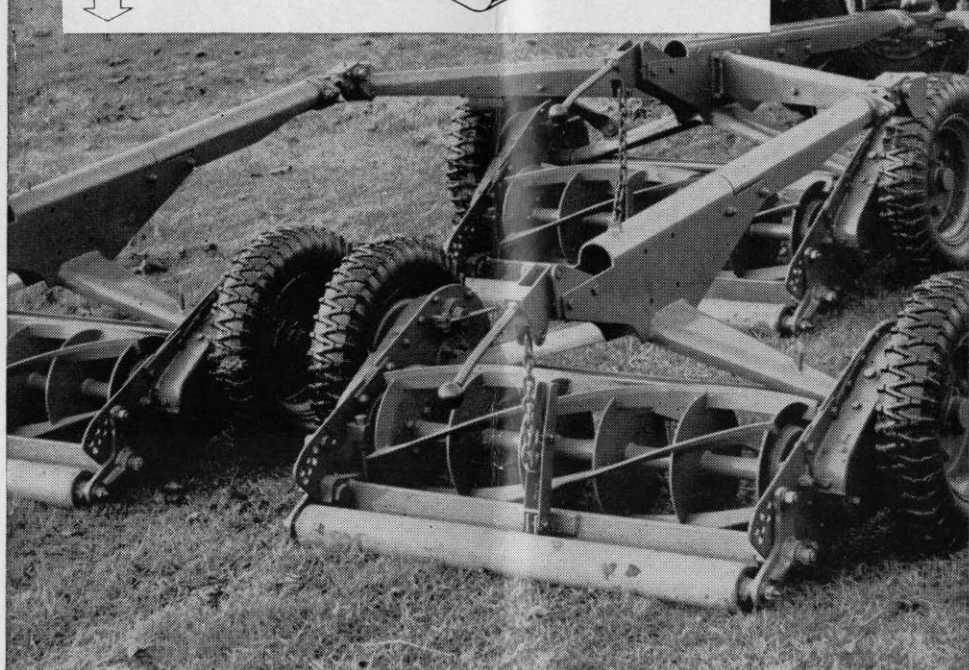
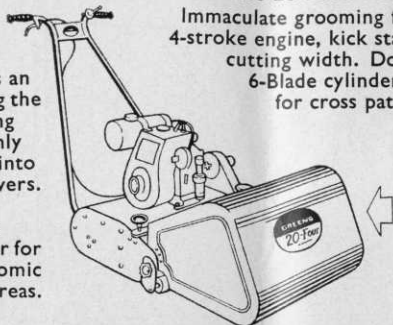
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TEE SHOTS



by the Editor

W. J. GARDNER, M.B.E.

Billy Gardner died on the 7th July 1966. He had been ill since January

He was the genius at the heart of artisan golf for more than 30 years and his connections with the movement were older still. That example will inspire his Association for many years to come.

He was a true friend of greenkeepers, understood their problems, encouraged them in their golf and their work. Those who met him year by year at the Artisan Tournament will not forget his special welcome.

The next issue of the *Artisan Golfer*, the magazine which he edited until last year, will be devoted to his memory. The tributes of his countless friends will be a measure of his achievements.

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ABOUT TURF DISEASE

By J. G. HALCROW, B.Sc., M.I.Biol.

DISEASE has been associated with grass for a great space of measurable time but has become more noticeable during the last 50 years because of the intensive cultivation and maintenance given to fine and coarse turf. New grasses and different variations of grasses may (as they are introduced into sports turf and so become exposed to the intensive measure of turf culture) bring new or different forms of disease. There can be no complacency about disease or its control.

Disease which, rightly so, is thought of so often as being caused by fungi, can be brought about by non-fungal agencies such as mechanical damage due to the smokes and dusts of industry, by severe frost, or scorch by excessive and injudicious use of fertilisers, fungicides and weedkillers, or by plant food deficiencies. All these and many more must be considered when a patch of dead, bleached or discoloured grass has to be examined.

Undesirables

The unsightly discolorations and scars on turf frequently indicate the presence of fungal disease, as also do the fine "cob-web like" strands of fungal hyphae which, in the dew of early morning, can be seen joining grassblade to grassblade. The discolorations and scars left on turf by fungal disease are unsightly and unwanted but it should be remembered also that disease, by weakening and "opening-out" the sward, will permit weed invasion and the entry of undesirable grasses such as annual meadow-grass. A radical change for the worse can be seen in the composition of a sward exposed to repeated attacks of fungal disease.

Diseases that concern us in the British Isles are *Fusarium* patch disease, *Corticium* or Red Thread disease, *Ophiobolus* patch disease, Dollar spot disease, and to a lesser extent *Helminthosporium* infections and those due to the presence of fairy rings. In other

countries these and many more diseases may be present, e.g. Brown Patch (*Rhizoctonia* sp.) and Copper spot (*Gloeocercospora* sp.)

Under British conditions, Dollar spot disease attacks turf of sea-marsh origin. The small bleached "dollar-sized" areas on the fescues join to form larger masses of bleached turf. The appearance of bleached areas on fescues could be mistaken for *Corticium* disease. However in the later stages of *Corticium* the hyphae become fused to form coral-red needles. Dollar spot disease has its own very characteristic horizontal yellow banding on the fescues.

Rings

Ophiobolus patch disease may flare upon areas of bent-grasses growing under conditions of excess surface moisture and alkaline pH. The active fungus shows itself in June as a red-orange ring, vigorously growing outwards and destroying the bent-grasses in its path. Inside the ring will be found the resistant plants such as annual meadow-grass, ryegrasses and pearlwort cushions.

Perhaps the commonest and most disfiguring disease of sports turf is *Fusarium* patch disease—the so-called "Fuzz". The faint brown patches of the disease quickly become orange-brown and wet in appearance. The infected grass dies leaving bare unsightly scars. In warm "muggy" weather this disease becomes active from its banana-shaped "resting spores".

Breeding

The control of disease so as to achieve a healthy sward need not depend always on fungicides, but will usually do so. It may be possible in future years for the plant breeders and geneticists to produce grasses resistant in varying degrees to diseases. However, cultural activities can do much to reduce the incidence of disease, i.e. switching will decrease *Fusarium* patch disease by removing moisture which is

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Monday, 8th August at 2.30 p.m.

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- 1 Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
2. Annual Report.
- 3 Financial Statement.
4. Executive Committee Report.
- 5 Election of Officers.
6. Any other business.

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SISIS DEMONSTRATION TOUR IN WEST GERMANY

Sisis demonstrator Mr Roger Barnes has recently returned from a demonstration tour of West Germany, his second visit there this year

Leaving with Austin Gipsy and trailer on 3rd June, Mr Barnes, who speaks German, spent the following month giving demonstrations of Sisis sports ground management equipment before German groundsmen and municipal authorities. He covered 4,000 miles and gave over twenty demonstrations during the tour which was arranged by the company's distributors, Landre & Glinderman GMBH., of Munster

Keen interest was shown in Sisis equipment. Most of the large and medium sized towns in West Germany have a modern sports stadium but still rely on manual labour for maintenance. Permission was give for Mr Barnes to demonstrate before a group at a Munich stadium on the understanding that the stadium themselves were not interested in buying. After the demonstration they purchased a complete range of tractor-operated equipment.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sir,

I am the Head Greenkeeper of The
..... Golf Club.

I have just been looking over your old May edition and noticed the wages survey. The Head Greenkeeper should get £20 to £24 per week PLUS accommodation. First Assistant — £15 to £17 10s. per week, Assistant — £13 to £14 per week.

On the course I work on these are the wages —

Head Greenkeeper	£15 per week age 26 years
First Assistant	£12 per week age 22 years
Assistant	£5 per week age 17 years
Assistant	£5 per week age 16 years

In my opinion this is a disgrace. Two weeks ago I had a £1,000 competition here. We had to work every night almost for 12 days, sometimes starting at 6 a.m. till 8.30 p.m. We got the course in first class condition. All the club members said this was the best the course has been for about 20 years so why can't the club pay the wages

your Executive Committee mentions. The three assistants never worked on a course before two months ago, so I had to teach them how to cut greens, fairways, approaches, tees, spread dressings, water and so on.

The lads who work for me get on well with me, but the wages are shocking, so the lads are finding other trades with more money. Who can blame them when their hard work is not rewarded? Thanks are not enough.

I am getting married and at present there is no accommodation for me. I have told the Secretary about this situation. He says there might be a place built in about a year's time, but what am I to do in the meantime? I have got a flat near the course, but the rent is high. Paying the rent, getting food in, painting and decorating out of £15 per week is going to be a struggle at first.

I hope you don't mind me airing my views about this but it's the way I feel, and the wages in my district are very poor. They have good courses up here and the clubs should *Pay*.

Yours faithfully,

(Name and Address supplied)



AUGUST	8th } 9th } 10th }	Annual Tournament Little Aston Golf Club.
SEPTEMBER	7th	Southern Autumn Tournament Thorndon Park Golf Club.
	21st	East Midland Autumn Tournament Erewash Valley Golf Club.
	22nd	North-West Annual Tournament Hazel Grove Golf Club.
	27th	S.G.G.A. West Annual Meeting, Lanark.
OCTOBER	6th	S.G.G.A. East A.G.M. Liberton Golf Club.
	12th	Midland Autumn Tournament Blackwell Golf Club.

The Cottage,
Thorpe Hall Golf Club,
Thorpe Bay, Essex.

24th July 1966.

Dear Mr Editor,

On Thursday, 14th July, the annual invitation match between the Society of Essex Golf Captains and the Essex Greenkeepers took place at the Romford Golf Club. Although this match is mainly intended for Essex Greenkeepers, a few guests are invited, and this year we had the pleasure of the company of Tom Mason. Although retired after 55½ years at Hendon Golf Club, he is still very active and capable of playing a good game of golf.

We assembled at 12 o'clock and after a few pints and a very excellent lunch, we proceeded to do battle. A Stableford four-ball was played, the Captains winning by 16 points.

After the match more beer was drunk, before another very good meal. Mr Harry Shearcroft, the Captains' captain, said how delighted his society were to entertain us for the match. He also thanked the Greenkeepers for the very hard work they put in to give pleasure to all persons playing golf. He also thanked the Romford Golf Club for allowing the match to take place, and the staff both outside and inside for their excellent service.

I had the pleasure of thanking the Captains for the very excellent day they had provided, and one which we looked forward to annually. I also stated that as most of the Greenkeepers present were getting on in years, great efforts should be made by clubs to encourage new blood into the profession.

Yours sincerely,

JOCK GLASS.

Essex Captains		Greenkeepers	
	<i>Pts.</i>		<i>Pts.</i>
J K. Herve and Dr McCarthy	41	J Glass (Capt.) and E. Foulkes	42
Mr Clarke and G Smart	35	F Read and E. James	37
A. Young and W Player	41	J Rennie and F Smith	34
W Bridge and H. Seymour	40	P Moore and R. Hollington	35
J Wignall and E. Brown	45	J Noakes and D. Craig	39
R. Wyeth and W Wacland	40	C. Moore and T Mason	40
G H. Parke and Mr Bird	47	P Staines and Mr Gould	46
Mr Goss and Mr Francis	40	F Ford and Mr Bennett	40
<i>Total</i>	<hr/> 329	<i>Total</i>	<hr/> 313

News



from the Sections

SHEFFIELD

By J. J. Dearlove

Hon. Secretary:
63 Langsett Avenue
Sheffield, 6

Chairman:
G. HERRINGTON
(Lindrick)

THE FIRST OF TWO EVENTS TO report is the S.U.G.C. competition when 30 greenkeepers were the guests of the Sheffield Union of Golf Clubs at Lindrick Golf Club on Monday, 20th June. Each greenkeeper was partnered by a member of the Sheffield Union in a better ball competition. It was a most interesting meeting in more ways than one and rather a wet one to start off with. Brollies and waterproofs were much in evidence on the first tee but the skies cleared for the latter half of the round. The most encouraging thing was the attendance which could probably be a record for the Section. It was rather a pity that there were not enough people to partner the greenkeepers but I am certain that Mr Wilkinson, Secretary of the S.U.G.C. did his utmost to meet the demand.

Deciding the winners proved a bit of a headache for the officials with three returns of 70 having to be decided on the last nine holes with the final result in the following order S. Inman and Mr Hulley, C. Chappell and Mr Swift, G. Herrington and Mr Butcher

Mr Jack Hulley, President of the Yorkshire Union, presented the prizes and thanked the Club for allowing the use of the course. He also remarked on the attendance as the best he had known for this event.

Mr Wilkinson added his thanks to the Club and Mr Roberts, of Lindrick G.C., replied. Mr G. Herrington, representing the

greenkeepers, thanked Mr Wilkinson and Mr Lomas for their work in running the competition and Mr Hulley for presenting the prizes.

President's Prize

Twenty-one players teed off to do battle for our President's Prize at the Phoenix G.C., Rotherham, on Tuesday, 27th June.

Mr Shardlow, our President, was unable to be with us owing to the date of the fixture being rearranged. I hope he will accept my apologies for choosing a date that clashed with an outstanding commitment. We do, however, thank him very much for sponsoring this competition and providing the much sought after silver salver. We also thank the committee of the Phoenix Golf Club for the courtesy of the course which was in very good shape. Thanks also to Mr Elliott for contributing to the prizes and honouring us with his presence. Thank you, Mr Len Boyd (Professional) for the prize and the use of the trolleys. Our final thanks to Mr F. Croft for acting as recorder and supporting the event financially.

Making it a double victory for the season, Sam Inman coasted home a clear winner with a good score of 37 points, he carded 20 points for the first nine holes and kept a tight grip on his game to take home this lovely trophy and a voucher for £5. Close on his heels came Cyril Chappell, playing on his own course, with 25 points. Other prize-winner and leading scorers were A. Goldthorpe 32, W. Williamson and R. Whitehead 30, H. Herrington, J. Dearlove and A. Spencer 29, and J. Walker and G. Herrington 28.

New Members

We welcome to the Section Eric Palmer who recently took over at the Abbeydale Club and his assistant P. Smith. We hope you enjoyed your first competition with us and that you will join us on many more occasions.

NORTH-WEST

By H. M. Walsh

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

Hon. Secretary:
78 Hadfield Street,
Oldham, Lancs.

In Memoriam

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET I HAVE to inform members of the passing away of Mr J. Marshall who was Head Greenkeeper at Royal Lytham. Jim, who died suddenly about the end of June, was a very well known and respected member of the Association not only to his friends of the North-West, but to fellow members of the other sections, particularly the Southern, who will probably remember him best for his keenness for the game of golf and the success of our National Tournaments. He

had been a member of the Association for a great number of years and always had the welfare of his fellow members at heart. Jim, who was at Royal Lytham for approximately 18 years was also at Southport and Airdale.

On behalf of all the members I would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the relations of Mr Marshall in their loss.

Autumn Tournament

Will all members who intend to take part, please let me know as soon as possible so that I can make suitable catering arrangements. This is really important, especially for the people responsible for the catering.

On behalf of all members I would like to wish Mr Ben Ellis the best of everything on his recovery from a recent operation.

Any member not receiving his journal should let either Mr Dix, the National Secretary, or myself know as soon as possible, when the matter can be rectified.

New Members

We extend a most cordial welcome to the following new members and hope they have a long and enjoyable association with the Section. H. Lawler, Bootle Golf Club, Liverpool, D. Macavoy, Royal Birkdale Golf Club, Southport; T W Hamilton, Royal Birkdale Golf Club, Southport.

NORTH-EAST

By D. Earsman

Hon. Secretary:
Arcot Hall Cottage
Dudley

Newcastle on Tyne 3

Chairman:
J SIMPSON
(Ponteland G.C.)

Annual General Meeting

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held on the 25th June at the Duke of Wellington Hotel, Newcastle, 18 members being present.

Our Chairman, J Simpson, welcomed the members and thanked them for their support during the last year.

Officers elected for the ensuing year: President, L. A. Jones, Vice-Presidents, C. H. Storey, K. B. Hood, J V Todd, F.R.C.S., A. Harrison, T Oliver, I. T Johnstone, K. B. Doyle, J McKenzie, K. J Hilton, D. Lowes, R. Atkinson Chairman, J Simpson, Vice-Chairman, R. H. Nicholson, Committee, T Nutman, L. Lowery, R. Raine, N Fraser, T Kirkley R. Derham, W Harker, H. Somerville, J Taylor D. Gray, T Oliver; Hon. Auditors, Messrs Marton, Hilton, Blakey; Hon. Secretary and Treasurer D. A. Earsman.

Our Chairman, on behalf of the Committee and Members, thanked our Hon. Auditors for their work with the accounts, L. Lowery for his help with the cards at our Golf Competitions and our Vice-Chairman, R. H. Nicholson, for his work with the sweep tickets.

ABOUT TURF DISEASE—contd

so essential to the fungus. Providing a free air flow across the sward will also deter the rapid multiplication of a fungal parasite. Obviously the factors associated with Ophiobolus patch disease, i.e. excess moisture and high surface pH, are capable of being changed thus assisting in prevention and control of the disease.

Fungicides fill the gap that may be created by human error, cultural error or plant response to environmental conditions. The judicious use of a good class fungicide, whether mercurial or non-mercurial should be a routine measure. Preventive spraying is better than control spraying although both are costly in money, time and labour. Fungicides have to be used at one time or another, so do "read the label" as the first thing and as the last thing do "wash hands and face", otherwise human disease may set in just as fungicidal scorch can cause disease on grass.

SITUATIONS VACANT

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MIDLAND

By **F Cashmore**

Chairman:
G. HART
(Gay Hill)

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

PRESIDENT'S MATCH

We again had a very enjoyable and successful evening at the Handsworth Golf Club, on 28th June. After a damp and windy morning it was a fine and bright evening. Mr Bretherton had a very strong team in the field, and, as it turned out, much too strong for us as results will show

President's Team

R. Hiatt and P. Skerritt, 3 and 2	1
A. Pullar and J. Mitchley, 5 and 4	1
F. Church and J. Urry, 3 and 2	1
R. Yates and D. Wheeler, 8 and 6	1
R. Kirkby and W. Dudley Evans, 2 up	1
T. Hodgetts and E. Moggs Wright, 4 and 3	1
R. Whittington and J. Baldwin, 6 and 4	1
C. Withers and J. Richards, 5 and 4	1
C. Moore and Dr H. Mitchell, 5 and 4	1
J. Cooke and H. Lunt	0
Dr V. Milne and N. Russell, 2 up	1
T. Phillips and R. Hunt, 2 up	1
L. Wheeler and R. Parker, 2 up	1

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Greenkeepers

E. Benbow and G. Woodward	0
J. Grealy and R. Pugh	0
W. Barton and T. Jones	0
R. Goodwin and W. Handy	0
H. Drewitt and V. Smith	0
A. Boraston and A. Stephens	0
D. Haynes and G. Busby	0
D. Brazier and W. Boyce	0
T. Rawbone and B. Baxter	0
G. Smith and S. Allen	1
A. Derbyshire and P. Ricketts	0
E. Ballinger and R. Ramsden	0
G. Bunting and R. Bailey	0

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After a most delicious meal Mr Bretherton introduced Mr W. N. Dudley Evans, who in the course of his speech said that golf clubs had to look at greenkeepers' wages and conditions in the light of present-day standards. Mr Whitehead, the Captain of Handsworth, also spoke and said how pleased they were to see us at Handsworth. In the absence of our Chairman, George Hart, I thanked our President on behalf of the Midland Section for his kindness and help to us greenkeepers for many years. I also appealed to our members to send in their entries for the Annual Tournament at Little Aston.

Subscriptions

Please, will members let me have their subscriptions as soon as possible. When you read this if any member has not returned his counterfoils for the "News of the World" draw, please do so at once.

New Members

We welcome two new members, G. Busby, apprentice at Little Aston Golf Club and P. J. Trafford, head greenkeeper at Marston Green Golf Club, who has succeeded Harry Monkhouse on his retirement.

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Annual General Meeting (Report by Reg. Pugh)

On Monday, 4th July, the Section were the guests of the Directors, Committee and Members of the Habberley Golf Club, Kidderminster. This is a picturesque 9-hole course set in one of the most wooded and hilly parts of Worcestershire, and is part of the well-known Midland beauty spot, Habberley Valley. Twenty players and friends turned out for this event. We were entertained to a Buffet by Stewardess Mrs Greely, to whom we are much indebted. To her husband, John Greely, we offer our thanks for his work in going round his members for a most beautiful collection of prizes, all of which were given by Members and Directors of the Club.

The atmosphere of this club was most homely and the members of my Section were quite a contented group after a good game and excellent dinner.

Prizewinners

1 W. Handy, 65 Summer Cup and Carpet; 2. A. Boraston, 65 Carpet; 3. J Greely, 65 Garden Seat; 4. G Woodward, 68 — Bath Towel and $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Whisky; 5. W Barton, 69 Bottle Sherry and $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Whisky; 6. J Stephens, 69 Shirt and $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Whisky; 7 R. Pugh, 69 Briar Pipe and bottle Sherry; 8. E. H. Benbow 71 — Shirt and $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Gin, 9. H. Drewitt, 74 — bottle Sherry; 10. W Smith, 74 bottle Sherry; 11 T Jones, 75 $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Whisky; 12. R. Goodwin, 82 $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Gin, 13. M. Markham $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Gin. Visitor: 1 Mr Ramsden, 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ bottle Gin.

At the prize presentation I was asked to do the job of M.C. We were welcomed by Mr W E. Robinson in the absence of the President and the Captain. He also kindly presented the prizes and remarked on the splendid job that John Greely was doing at the Club both inside and outside as green-keeper-steward and he was doing it alone.

I thanked the Directors and Committee and Members of Habberley on behalf of all concerned for a wonderful day and a truly fine display of prizes and a welcome back next year. Our thanks, too, to Mrs Greely for her wonderful meals and for the assistance given by Mrs Robinson.

Autumn Tournament

The Autumn Tournament is to be held at Blackwell Golf Club, Nr Bromsgrove, Worcs., on Wednesday, 12th October 1966, over 27 holes. Entries to me at 6 Eva Road, Warley, Oldbury, by 24th September and state if requiring lunch and tea, for the benefit of the steward.

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Autumn Tournament

THE ANNUAL AUTUMN GOLF Tournament will be held at Erewash Valley Golf Club on Wednesday, 21st September 1966, First Tee 12.45 p.m. Will all members wishing to play in this Tournament and also have a meal, please notify the Treasurer, A. Thornton, 15 Trent Road, Beeston, Notts., by the 7th September as I shall be away on holiday.

Honorary Member

We now welcome Mr Gray of Sleaford Golf Club, as honorary member, having to retire from work through ill health after 33 years. We wish him all the best in his retirement.

New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members P Thompson and R. Miller, Belton Park Golf Club, and A. Calvert, of Chilwell Manor Golf Club.

NORTHERN

Chairman:
D. ROBERTS
(West Bowling G.C.)

By J. Parker
Hon. Secretary:
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Bingley Yorks.

Mrs G. T Geddes

IT IS WITH DEEP REGRET THAT I inform members of the death, after a long illness, of Mrs Geddes, wife of Mr George Geddes, our well-known member and former Chairman of the Section. Unfortunately, I was away on holiday at the time and was unable to represent the Section at the funeral. I have, however, written to George expressing deepest condolences which I am sure is the feeling of all the members.

Hooliganism

One of the worst examples of vandalism we have seen on a golf course in the Bradford area has occurred on our Chairman, Mr Roberts' course at West Bowling. I suppose most members are used to flags and tee boxes disappearing. Here, however, practically the whole of the sixth green has been dug up. In the words of Donald, "I felt sick when I came out to look at it"

Winter Lectures

Any suggestions for talks during the Winter session would be welcome from members. We hope once again to hold our talks and socials at West Bowling which proved so successful last time.



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New Members

We welcome the following new members C. J. Fowler (Hon. Vice-President), W. B. Kelly, E. J. Cox, A. R. Lomax, D. E. Davis.

Autumn Tournament

A reminder that the Autumn Tournament will take place at Thorndon Park on 7th September and the closing date for entry is 22nd August.

Subscription

Will all those who have not yet paid their subscription please do so at once.

WELSH

By **S. A. Tucker**

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(Royal Porthcawl)

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Annual General Meeting

OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING was held by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Southerdown Golf Club on 5th July. The meeting is always held on the same day as the Secretaries hold their meeting and we have an evening meal together which is a very pleasant day for all concerned. The weather was very good with very little wind and no rain. It made such a difference to the day's golf and scores. The following were the winners Mr John Duncan Cup G Phillips, net score 64 (we always let the winner choose his prize from our selection and he chose the lighter given by H. Pattison & Co.), the first prize in the scratch to 18 competition was won by J Rees (he received a blanket); the John O'Gorman Cup given to the Section by the family in his memory 2nd, D. Jones — tankard given by Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies; 3rd, D. G. Lord tablecloth and napkins. The 19 to 24 handicap was as follows The Birdie Cup, T Finch — tablecloth and napkins, 2nd, W Lewis pillowcases, 3rd, R. Doubler — wallet given by May & Baker. The first year winning competitor was L. Dunster — a condiment set given by Lister James of Cardiff.

I would like to thank the Trade and Golf Clubs and all who have been so kind in helping me with prizes and cash to make our day such a pleasant one. We were all very pleased to see Mr Geddes at the meeting; he is recovering from his illness very well and we wish him well. I have not heard from Mr G. Brennan so I am sorry I can give you no news of him. I hope, George, that no news is good news.

We were very happy to increase our membership by having eight new members this year and I hope they will stay in the work and enjoy themselves as I have with all the members. I thank my committee and all concerned for helping me to carry out my duties. To our Chairman, Mr Geddes, we all thank him for doing so well, and not being well, thank you, Mac.

Subscriptions

Now that subscriptions are overdue will you please send them to our Treasurer, Mr M. Geddes, 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glam., and NOT TO ME, as soon as possible so that he can clear up that section of his accounts.



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EAST SECTION

Annual General Meeting

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING will be held at Liberton Golf Club on Thursday, 6th October 1966, at 6 p.m.

A Competition for prizes will be played in the afternoon prior to the meeting, starting at 1 p.m., followed by high tea at 5 p.m. After the meeting prizes won at the Royal Burgess will be presented. Members intending to be present please inform the Secretary before the 1st October

New Members

A welcome to the following new members: W Clelland and P Harkins of the Baberton Golf Club.



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Apricot Cocktail

6 ripe apricots, 1 grapefruit, 2 oz. castor sugar, cherries.

Skin the apricots, and cut them into quarters. Crack the stones, and blanch the kernels. Peel the grapefruit, and remove all the pith and pips from half of it. Cut the fruit into small pieces. Squeeze the juice from the other half and dissolve the 2 oz. of castor sugar in it. Put the apricots, grapefruit and kernels in a bowl, and pour the juice over. Keep in a cool place until required, then serve in glasses; each one may be decorated with a cherry. To serve four people.

Fresh Apricot Jam

4 lb. of fresh apricots, $\frac{3}{4}$ pint of water, 4 lb. sugar, 1 tablespoonful of lemon juice.

Cut the apricots in half, and remove the stones, now cut the fruit into small pieces. Put the water and sugar into the preserving pan and stir over a gentle heat until the sugar has dissolved, then boil quickly for a quarter of an hour. Add the fruit, the lemon juice, and just a few kernels (blanched). Boil until the jam sets, when tested. Turn into warm dry jars and tie down. Time—about 1 hour.

Apricot Soufflé (baked)

1 lb. fresh apricots, 4 oz. sugar, 4 tablespoonfuls of water

Cut the apricots in half and remove the stones. Put the sugar and water into a pan, and stir over a gentle heat until the sugar has dissolved, add the apricots and cook until soft. Rub them through a sieve. Spread the pulp in the bottom of a well-buttered piedish, now for the top, you require 1 oz. butter, 1 heaped tablespoonful of flour (plain), $\frac{1}{2}$ pint of milk, 1 oz. castor sugar, 4 eggs, and a good pinch of salt.

Melt the butter in a small saucepan, add the flour and stir to a paste over a gentle heat. Then add the milk gradually, keeping it perfectly smooth. Stir until it has simmered for a few minutes. Add the sugar and leave until cool. Beat the yolks of the eggs until frothy and light, adding a pinch of salt; now beat the whites until stiff. Beat the yolks into the mixture, continue beating for a few minutes. Then fold in the beaten whites. Pour the mixture on to the apricot pulp and bake. Serve immediately it is ready. To serve four people. Time—30 minutes. Regulo Mark 4. Electricity 375°F.

Apricot Sauce

2 tablespoonfuls of fresh apricot jam, 1 level tablespoonful castor sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ pint of water, 1 small teaspoonful of lemon juice.

Put the jam, sugar and water into a small saucepan. Bring slowly to the boiling point. Boil gently for 3 minutes. Remove any scum. Stir in the lemon juice (a few drops of *Cochineal* improves the apricot colour). This is an excellent sauce to serve with sponge pudding. To serve four people.

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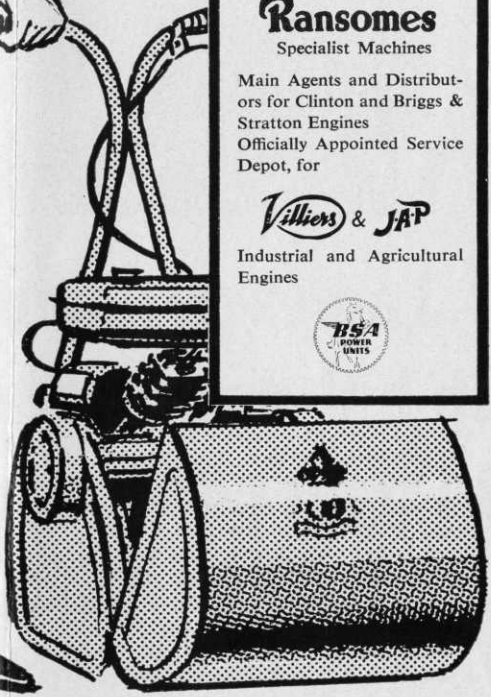
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