

## 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.

### MISCELLANEOUS

PROFESSIONALS AND GREENKEEPERS having stocks of used golf balls contact Sparkbrook Golf Ball Co., 295 Highgate Road, Stoney Lane, Birmingham, with a view to filling export orders.

## EAST MIDLAND

Chairman:  
F. FROST  
(Derby G.C.)

By S. Fretter  
Hon. Secretary:  
Portland Lodge Farm  
Portland Road  
Kirby Muxloe, Leicester

### 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:  
8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden  
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.