

# News



from the Sections

## SOUTHERN

**Chairman:**  
By W. Mason  
*Hon Secretary:*  
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### Lecture

AT OUR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 11th January, the lecture was given by Mr W. Finch, of Maxicrop Ltd. It was a most interesting talk. His main topic was the use of seaweed. Plenty of questions were asked afterwards, mostly on its effects on different soils and the amounts to be used. There was a very good attendance at this meeting. Mr J. Glass, in drawing the meeting to a close, passed a very hearty vote of thanks and hoped we should have the pleasure of Mr Finch again at some later date.

### Spring Tournament

Our Spring Tournament will be held on Wednesday, 10th May, at the Romford Golf Club. The closing date for entries will be Monday, 24th April and the draw will take place on Tuesday, 25th April. When sending along your entry will you please state your handicap and the name of your club.

### New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members: hon. associate member Mr G. Wyatt, H. Cave.

## NORTH-WEST

**Chairman:**  
F. HALSTEAD  
(Bury Golf Club)

**By H. M. Walsh**  
*Hon. Secretary:*  
78 Hadfield Street,  
Oldham, Lancs.

### Spring Tournament

DUE TO THE KINDNESS OF THE Captain and Council of Davyhulme Park Golf Club, our Spring Tournament will be held at the above course on 23rd May and further details will be given nearer the time but I would greatly appreciate it if members could let me know as soon as possible if they will be taking part so as to make the necessary catering arrangements.

### Lectures

We are indebted to Mr Hewitt, of Atco's Service Branch, Preston, for a very interesting and instructive talk and demonstration on the maintenance and running repairs of modern mowing machines, for which I am very happy to say we had a very good attendance once again. I would like at this time to say Thank You very much to all the speakers who have come to the section to talk to us and give us the benefit of their very valuable experience and knowledge. Thank you, gentlemen.

### New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members: A Ebdon, Werneth Golf Club, Oldham; A. Styles, Jun., Reddish Vale Golf Club, Reddish, Stockport; R. R. Daniels, Hazel Grove Golf Club, Hazel Grove, Stockport; S. Lightfoot, Heaton Moor Golf Club, Heaton Moor, Cheshire, and wish them well in their careers.

## NORTH-EAST

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

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

### Annual Dinner

OUR ANNUAL DINNER AND SOCIAL Evening took place at Shephard's Panorama Restaurant, Gateshead, on Friday, 27th January. It was the first of what we hope will be annual events. I am sure everyone will agree that the evening was a great success.

Our chairman, Mr J. Simpson, who thanked everyone for supporting our Dinner, said how pleased he was to see so many attending. It was a great reward for time spent in organisation and we looked forward to another next year. Vice-president Mr W Hood proposed the Toast and said a few kind words on behalf of the Section and he, too, looked forward to another next year.

I received the following letter on behalf of our ex-chairman Mr T. Auld:—

Dear Mr Earsman,

I am writing on behalf of my parents, who wish to express their sincere thanks to all members of the North-East Section for the kindness extended to them at Christmas.

My father wishes to be remembered to all, and he asked me to convey his gratitude and best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

R. AULD.

### New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members: J. P. Dickson, A. Phillips, K. Jones, K. M. Bell, C. S. Maule and Vice-President Mr W. Hood.

## NORTHERN

By J. Parker

Hon. Secretary:

Chairman:  
D. ROBERTS 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden  
(West Bowling G.C.) Bingley, Yorks.

### Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT of the Section will be played over the course of the West Bradford Golf Club on Thursday, 4th May, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Club.

### Grand National Draw

Members are reminded that the closing date for the return of counterfoils and moneys for the draw is Monday, 27th March. Please put some identification of sender so that I know to whom to send the draw list.

### January Lecture

This was held on the 19th January in the Clubhouse of the West Bowling Golf Club. Thirty-five members attended to hear Mr Roy Bradley, one of our vice-presidents, who took as his subject "The Trials of a Contractor". This gave members a chance to hear what can be described as the other side of the story. The speaker dealt with the many problems that a contractor can come up against. Following a period of questions the speaker was thanked and seconded by Mr D. Roberts and Mr A. Robertshaw respectively for what, I am sure, all members found to be a most interesting session.

## SHEFFIELD

By R. Whitehead

A/Sec. and Treasurer:  
1 Southmoor Avenue,  
Armthorpe, Doncaster.

G. HERRINGTON  
Chairman:  
(Lindrick)

### Thank You

ON BEHALF OF ALL OUR MEMBERS I would like to say thank you to John Dearlove for the service he has given to our

Section during the time he has been secretary and wish him every success in his new job at the Wilderness Golf Club.

### Presentation

At the Hallamshire Golf Club on 21st December the Committee decided to present John with a silver salver and our president, Mr A. Shardlow, and Mrs Shardlow, came along to make the presentation.

### Lecture

Twenty-six members attended the January lecture at the Brunswick Hotel. The speaker was Mr D. N. H. Hicken, Lawns and Sports turf adviser to David Miln & Co. Ltd., Chester. Mr Hicken gave a most interesting talk on the subject of grass seeds and I am sure everyone present went home a little wiser. Our chairman, G. Herrington, thanked Mr Hicken and said that it had been a most interesting talk and that he would be pleased to see him give a further talk in the near future.

### Congratulations

Our congratulations to Henry Gillespie on his appointment as Head Greenkeeper at the Hillsbro Golf Club.

## WELSH

By S. A. Tucker

H/Sec. and Treasurer:  
R. WHITEHEAD,  
1 Southmoor Avenue,  
Armthorpe,  
Doncaster.

Chairman:  
M. GEDDES  
(Royal Porthcawl)

### Spring Meeting

I AM VERY PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE that the spring meeting will be held at the Llanishen Golf Club, by kind permission of the Captain and Committee, on Tuesday, 11th April. Will you please let me have your entries not later than 2nd April so that all catering arrangements can be made?

### Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting will be held at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club on 20th June. More about that in a later issue.

### Autumn Meeting

I am hoping to be able to arrange for the autumn meeting to take place at the Pennard Golf Club on 4th October. I am waiting for a reply to my request.

### Mr J. Beaumont

Our best wishes to Mr J. Beaumont on his new post up north. We wish you every success and luck in your new job. I am sorry

we have lost a good member but our loss is Northern Section's gain.

## MIDLAND

By R. Goodwin

*Chairman:*  
G. HART  
(Gay Hill)

*Hon. Secretary:*  
167 Birmingham Road  
Lichfield, Staffs.

### Visit

THE VISIT TO SUTTON & SONS LTD., Reading, has been arranged for Tuesday, 13th June. Will members who wish to go please let me have their names as soon as possible. A coach has been booked and will pick up members at the King's Head, Bearwood, at 7.30 a.m. and at the Hall of Memory, Birmingham, at 7.45 a.m. Please be punctual for a prompt start.

### Annual Match

The Annual Match between the President's Team and the Greenkeepers at Handsworth Golf Club is to be held on Thursday, 22nd June.



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