

TEE SHOTS



by the Editor

Windfall

Mr Donald Snodgrass, who died last October, has left £2,000 to the Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club for course upkeep. He had been a member for thirty-five years.

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Three Chances

Eton Rural Council will be asked for planning consent for a 9-hole golf course on a farm at Iver Heath. The Rural Council also has its own plans for a 9-hole course at Stoke Place. For good measure, Slough itself has ideas about an 18-hole course at Langley.

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Too Late

Hawkstone Park Hotel and Golf Club, 12 miles north of Shrewsbury, was for sale last month. The course measures 6,315 yards and was laid out in 1920 by James Brand. Now a syndicate of members has bought it. The price is not disclosed but £70,000 was being asked for the property with 158 acres.

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Both Workington Golf Club in Cumberland, and Llandeilo in South Wales have received the maximum £10,000 grant from the Ministry of Education. Some Llandeilo rural Councillors are now asking why the Golf Club is favoured when they cannot get funds to extend their mobile Library Service.

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Drought no worry

Ron Whitehead, head greenkeeper at Wheatley, Doncaster, is dreaming of a dry summer. By that time he will have pop-up sprinklers on all his greens, controlled from an 18-point master clock. The cost is estimated at £4,500. The club has also negotiated a new 75-year lease with Doncaster Corporation at £500 a year for the first 25 years.

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Inundated

The Sports Sub-Committee of Worthing's Open Spaces Committee decided to meet golfers at Hill Barn Municipal Golf Course to discuss ways of improving the course. Now they have 133 written suggestions.