

THE BRITISH GOLF GREENKEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE 50th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at Walton Heath Golf Club, Tadworth, on Monday, 7th August 1967, at 3 p.m.

The Chairman opened the meeting at which 46 members were present, and invited Mr Carl Bretherton to occupy the Chair.

Mr Bretherton asked the meeting to stand in silent tribute to those who had died during the year, as named in the Secretary's Report.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read, and on the proposal of Mr Glass, seconded by Mr Ford, were confirmed and signed.

Arising from the Minutes, the Secretary informed the meeting that the first match between the B.G.G.A. and the Secretaries' Association had been fixed for 24th October 1967, at the Royal Mid-Surrey Golf Club, and asked that a team of eight from the Southern Section be selected at this Tournament.

Annual Report

This was read by the Hon. Secretary and its adoption was proposed by Mr Crabtree and seconded by Mr Walsh.

Financial Report

The Hon. Treasurer reported the financial situation to be quite sound, and explained the increase in the Journal expenses was due to an adjustment on previous year's figures which necessitated allowing for 13 months printing to be included. Questions were raised as to the Association investments and the Hon. Treasurer said he would discuss this question with the Auditors to see if these could be improved. The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr Ford, seconded by Mr Cashmore.

Executive Committee Report

The Tournament Committee elected were Messrs Cashmore, Moore, McNeice, Herrington, Folkes, three to form a quorum. The Sheffield Section had nominated Mr G. Herrington as vice-chairman for the ensuing year, and the Association had been offered the courtesy of the Seacroft Golf Club at Skegness for the 1968 Tournament, the dates being 12th, 13th and 14th August. Congratulations were extended to Mr Herrington on his appointment, also for the Tournament venue for 1968.

Election of Officers

President:

It was proposed by Mr J. Glass and seconded by Mr G. Wilson that Mr Carl

Bretherton be re-elected as President of the Association. Carried unanimously. Mr Bretherton thanked the members and said he would be very pleased to carry on in office.

Vice-Presidents:

It was proposed by Mr McNeice and seconded by Mr Barton that the Vice-Presidents as listed in the Journal be re-elected. Carried.

Chairman:

It was proposed by Mr Lord and seconded by Mr Folkes that Mr C. A. Moore be elected Chairman. Carried unanimously. The retiring Chairman, Mr Cashmore, thanked the members for their generous support during his year of office, also the Hon. Secretary for his assistance and guidance. He said it had been a year of great enjoyment and one that he would always remember. Mr C. A. Moore took the Chair, and presented a tankard to Mr Cashmore in recognition and appreciation of his services. Mr Moore then thanked the members for his election, and said he was conscious of the honour bestowed upon him and hoped he would be able to carry out his duties to the satisfaction of everybody.

Vice-Chairman:

It was proposed by Mr Barton and seconded by Mr Sumner that Mr G. Herrington be elected Vice-Chairman. Carried unanimously. Mr Herrington expressed his appreciation for the confidence shown by his election.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer:

It was proposed by Mr Herrington, seconded by Mr Lord that Mr C. H. Dix be re-elected Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. Carried unanimously. Mr Dix thanked the meeting and expressed his willingness to continue in office.

Executive Committee:

It was proposed by Mr Folkes and seconded by Mr Lord that the Executive Committee should be elected as nominated by Sections. Carried.

Hon. Auditors:

It was proposed by Mr Walsh and seconded by Mr Barton that Messrs Smallfield Rawlins & Co. be re-elected Hon. Auditors. Carried.

Hon. Solicitor:

It was proposed by Mr Glass and seconded by Mr Walsh that Mr R. A. Beck be re-elected Hon. Solicitor. Carried.

Subscriptions to the Sports Turf Research Institute

A recommendation from the Executive Committee was put to the meeting that at the request of the Sport Turf Research Institute the annual proportion of members subscriptions allocated to the S.T.R.I. should

be increased from 3/6 to 5/-. The figure of 3/6 had been in operation for a great many years, and it was considered that the request for an increase was quite justified.

To meet this increased payment the Executive Committee proposed that subscriptions should be increased as follows: Class "A" and "D" Head Greenkeepers and Greenkeeper/Professionals £1 12s. 6d., to be allocated 9/- Section Fund, 13/6 Central Fund, 5/- S.T.R.I., 5/- Journal. Class "B" First Assistants £1 2s. 6d., to be allocated 7/6 Section Fund, 5/- Central Fund, 5/- S.T.R.I., 5/- Journal. Class "C" Assistants 16/6, to be allocated 6/6 Section Fund, 5/- S.T.R.I., 5/- Journal. Class "E" Honorary Members remain unchanged. After lengthy discussion it was proposed by Mr Folkes, and seconded by Mr Ford that the recommendations be accepted. A vote was taken and the proposition was carried by 34 for with nil against, and 12 abstentions.

These increased subscriptions would take effect from 1st May 1968.

There being no further business the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair by Mr Cashmore.

SITUATIONS VACANT

FIRST ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER required. Applicants should be fully experienced and capable of supervising staff in the absence of the Head Greenkeeper. Assistance regarding housing accommodation may be available in the near future.

Applications, stating age, experience etc., and salary required to the Secretary, Hallamshire Golf Club, Sandygate, Sheffield 10, not later than 21st October.

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