

# News



from the Sections

## SOUTHERN

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### February Lecture

"THE USE, SELECTION AND application of chemicals in turf maintenance" was the heading of the nine-page leaflet handed out to all present at a talk given by Mr Gooding of Synechemicals Limited. This leaflet contains some very useful information and I am sure that members will find it a very helpful reference with the future use of chemicals. Mr Gooding talked briefly, but expertly, on each subject and finally answered as many questions as time allowed.

Closing the meeting, the chairman thanked Mr Gooding for a very excellent lecture and invited him to come again to the Southern Section. Forty-three members attended.

### Beaconsfield

There are no entry forms for the Spring Tournament. Members wishing to enter should write to me stating in BLOCK LETTERS name, club, lowest handicap and whether requiring a late start.

### New Members

The following new members will be warmly welcomed at our meetings: D. Appleyard (Wentworth); S. B. Battams (Henley); B. J. Newman (Reading); P. J. Stevens (Burnham Beeches).

### New Appointments

Congratulations and best wishes to Pat Ainsworth in his new job as head greenkeeper at Hadley Wood, to David Kirkland who is now head man at Hampstead and to David Heaton who has taken over at Finchley.

### In Hospital

Our thoughts go to Ernie Hall who is in the Central Middlesex Hospital with suspected jaundice, also to Ted Hammond who is also in the same hospital.

### From the Midland Section

We welcome J. S. Danks who has taken over at Shirley Park Golf Club.

## NORTHERN

By J. Parker

*Chairman:*  
A. ROBERTSHAW

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### Spring Tournament

THE ANNUAL SPRING TOURNAMENT of the Section will be played over the course of the Harrogate Golf Club, Starbeck on Wednesday, 14th May, by kind permission of the club committee.

### Grand National Draw

Members are reminded that the closing date of the return of counterfoils and moneys for the Grand National Draw is Tuesday, 18th March.

### January Lecture

This was held in the clubhouse of the Horsforth Golf Club on Wednesday, 16th January, 30 members attending. The speaker was Mr Horner of Hayter Ltd., who illustrated his talk with slides of their range of machinery.

Following sandwiches and drinks, for which we thank the firm, many questions were asked by members and ably answered by the speaker. A vote of thanks was proposed by our chairman, Mr Robertshaw, and heartily endorsed by the members.

### Mrs F. G. Smith

It is with deep regret that I inform those members who do not already know of the death of Mrs Frank Smith, the wife of our former secretary and national chairman, well known to many members of the Association. I have written to Frank expressing deep sympathy to him which I am sure is the wish of all members.

### 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.

## NORTH-WEST

*Chairman:*  
O. P. JONES  
(Bramhall G.C.)

**By H. M. Walsh**

*Hon. Secretary:*  
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Oldham, Lancs.

### Lectures

OUR THANKS ARE DUE TO MR B. Metcalf of Joseph Metcalf Ltd. for a very unusual, but very interesting talk on some of the different kinds of crafts in which ingredients of fertilisers, that greenkeepers take for granted, such as gone, hoof and horn, etc., are used. Yes, very entertaining. Our next and last of this winter's series will be given by Mr Whyatt of H. Pattissons Ltd. on Tuesday, 18th March. Please make this attendance as good as the last one.

### New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members and hope their association with us will be a happy one.

Mr K. Beck, Haydock Park Golf Club Ltd. Golborne Park, Newton-le-Willows, Lancashire.

Mr H. Walker, Rochdale Golf Club, Norden, Rochdale, Lancashire.

## WELSH

*Chairman:*  
M. GEDDES  
(Royal Porthcawl)

**By S. A. Tucker**  
*Hon. Sec. and Treasurer:*  
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Swansea, Glamorgan.

### Spring Meeting

OUR SPRING MEETING WILL BE held on Wednesday, 16th April 1961 with the kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Glamorganshire Golf Club. I would like everyone intending to play to be there in good time as the Club have a competition on the same day and we do not want to hold them up in any way. So please make a note of that and help me out by COMING EARLY. Thank you.

### Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held at the Royal Porthcawl Golf Club, in conjunction with the Secretary, on Tuesday, 24th June 1969. I would like to see every member attend this meeting.

### Autumn Meeting

The Autumn Meeting will be held at the Carmarthenshire Golf Club on Wednesday,

24th September 1969. If you have never visited there this is a good chance for you; I can assure you that Arthur Price has a good course. The Committee is thinking of getting a bus starting at Cardiff and picking up everybody interested on the way (main roads) but I will need your entry early so that the transport can be arranged and I will let you know the outcome at the Spring Meeting on the 16th April at the Glamorganshire Golf Club.

Please make a note of these three dates—16th April, 24th June and 24th September.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association this year is being held at Pyle & Kenfig Golf Club. I would like to see as many members enter for this meeting as possible. You will be receiving your entry forms in the journal later in the year, the dates for the competition are the 11th, 12th and 13th August so please make a special effort to be there.

## SHEFFIELD

*Chairman:*  
G. HERRINGTON  
(Lindrick)

**By H. Gillespie**  
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### Mr R. B. Dawson

ALL MEMBERS WERE DEEPLY shocked to learn of the death of Mr R. B. Dawson, Vice-President of the Sports Turf Research Institute, Bingley. Mr G. Herrington, Association Chairman and Mr H. Herrington, representing Sheffield Section, attended the funeral.

### Lecture

The January Lecture on Trees and Shrubs by Mr A. L. Winning, Sheffield Parks Manager, was well attended and very interesting with some good colour slides to illustrate the points in question. An enjoyable evening made more so by Mr Winning's expert knowledge on the subject.

The atrocious February weather affected the attendance when Messrs J. I. Fearn (Agricultural) Limited gave a talk on tractor maintenance illustrated by film strip and accompanied by refreshments. We are once again indebted to Mr Fearn for his kind hospitality.

### Annual General Meeting

April 24th is the Annual General Meeting at the Brunswick Hotel, 7.30 p.m. You are requested to make a special effort to attend.

### Good Wishes

W. Williamson, first assistant at Hallamshire Golf Club, left at the end of January to join Bakewell Golf Club as Greenkeeper/Steward. We wish him the best of luck in his new position.