

TEE SHOTS



by the Editor

Robert Findlay, Head Greenkeeper at the Craigewan Golf Club at Peterhead, has been presented with a wallet of notes and an inscribed gold watch. Robert is retiring after 50 years' service at Craigewan. His successor will be Mr Charles Alexander.

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The Strood Rural District Council has come one step closer to its scheme for an 18-hole municipal course at Chattenden Farm, Hoo. The Council's Public Health and Amenities Committee has recommended seeking loan sanction to buy the land and to appoint a golf architect. Planning permission has already been given and the committee are also seeking the help of the Greater London and South-East Regional Sports Committee who recently drew attention to the lack of golf courses in the Thameside and Medway districts. This committee also pointed out that with greatly increased car ownership, golf courses could be supported in country areas.

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Talking about the cost of golf, a yearly green fee ticket for members of the Elliot Golf Course at Arbroath is going up from £3 15s. 0d. to £5 5s. 0d. On the other hand, the Old Manchester Golf Club's annual subscription is 1 guinea, the same as it was when the club was founded 150 years ago. Unfortunately the Old Manchester course was sold in 1960 and they have not yet found a new home. Meanwhile they elect a captain and committee each year, store the Honours Board and have even added 15 new members to the club since the course was sold.

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Bathgate Golf Club in West Lothian got an additional 19th hole last month. A depression 10 feet across and 50 feet deep appeared on the fairway leading to the 18th green. The National Coal Board have started infilling but the first 80 tons of rubble made no difference. Golf club officials are keeping their fingers crossed in the hope that the hard frost would last until the job was completed.



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