News



from the Sections

GREENKEEPERS VICTORIOUS IN HERVE CUP

SOUTHERN

Chairman: J. K. GLASS (Thorpe Hall)

By F. W. Ford Hon. Secretary: 68 Salcombe Gardens Mill Hill, N.W.7 Tel: 01-959 2847

October Lecture

As stated in a previous journal this will once again be a Quiz with J. K. Glass as your Quiz Master and it will take place at Stirling Castle, London Wall, Moorgate. This is a great opportunity to get other greenkeeper's views on your problems and to the younger members and apprentices who are just starting out and who must have lots of questions they would like answered, bring them along and benefit from others experience. No question is too small and all questions will be answered. If everyone asks one question we shall have a jolly good educational evening.

New Members

To the following new members I would like to extend a warm welcome to the section with a hope that those who can, will make a great effort to come along to our F. G. Ives (Northwood), G. Ashton and H. Ashton (Burnham Beeches), P. Hamlet (Hartsbourne) and K. Gardener (Addington Court).

On Tuesday, 8th July, the annual match between the Captains and Greenkeepers of Essex was held at the Romford Golf Club. The weather was not too kind but, as usual, all had an enjoyable day. For the first time, the Greenkeepers

won the Hervé Cup by a margin of 18 points.

Mr Benton, the Captains' Captain, welcomed the Greenkeepers saving how much pleasure it gave the society to entertain them for the day. He also thanked the Romford Golf Club for allowing the match to be played, also the Greens staff for the condition of the course, and the inside staff for the purveying of food and drink.

Jock Glass replied by saying how much the Greenkeepers had enjoyed the day, and the pleasure it gave his team to win the Hervé Cup. He also endorsed Mr Benton's remarks about the greens and the indoors staff. A serious programme of mutual hospitality was then dealt with at some length and with some conviviality.

THE SOCIETY OF ESSEX GOLF CLUB CAPTAINS

Tuesday, 8th July 1969

Match v. Essex Greenkeepers. Greenkeepers win the Brian Hervé Cup by 18 pts.

Greenkeepers		Captains	
	pts.		pts.
P. Staines (Maylands) & P. Moore (Romford)	47	V. Woods & R. Tidder	38
F. Ford (S. Herts) & C. Moore (Stanmore)	45	F. Chapman & B. Williamson	35
J. Kendal (W. Essex) & Cowie (W. Essex)	42	H. Jeeves & C. Diebel	37
D. Singleton (Orsett) & J. Glass (Thorpe)	39	F. Benton & R. Grav	42
J. Rennie (Wanstead) & F. Smith (Maldon)	36	W. Eary & J. Thomas	24
J. Noakes (Thorndon) & R. Gould (Chigwell)	35	M. Tighe & C. Hedin	37
P. Ryan (Boyce, H) & D. Camp (Rochford)	28	H. Baker & G. Manning	41
Totals	272		254

MIDLAND

By R. Goodwin

Chairman: G. HART (Gay Hill) Hon. Secretary: 167 Birmingham Road, Lichfield, Staffs.

Summer Tournament

The Summer Tournament took place at the Habberley Golf Club on Monday, 21st Inly

Twenty-nine greenkeepers arrived Habberley to find Mr W. Robinson, a Director of the Club, waiting to extend to them a very warm welcome to this picturesque little course set in the heart of Worcestershire. Mrs Grealy, the Stewardess, had pots of coffee waiting, after which the players went out into the heat of the summer to compete for the Habberley Cup and an abundance of prizes given by the Directors and Members of the Habberley Golf Club.

Trevor Morris of Whittington Barracks Golf Club played a steady round of 87-22-65, to beat Geoff Smith of Walmley Golf Club by one shot. Gil Woodward of Walsall Golf Club took the Scratch Prize, with a gross 73, a bottle of whisky.

The Visitors' Prize, an electric toaster, given by Mr L. Hatton, was won by Mr W. Betts with a net score of 71.

Scores and Prizes

1st T. Morris-65 net-Habberley Cup and replica and carpet.

2nd G. Morris-66 net-Summer Cup and

carpet. 3rd R. Boraston-67 net-Fireside rug.

4th H. Drewitt-67 net-Fireside rug.

5th V. Smith—69 net—Bottle of whisky. 6th R. Pugh—70 net—Non-stick frying pan.

7th E. Benbow—70 net—Pullover. 8th J. Grealy—70 net—Bottle of whisky. 9th G. Hart—72 net—1 bottle of whisky.

10th A. Hastilow-72 net-1 bottle whisky.

11th W. Barton—73 net—½ bottle of whisky. 12th J. Munro—73 net—½ bottle gin.

13th R. Goodwin—74 net—½ bottle gin.
14th W. Boyce—75 net—½ bottle gin.
15th R. Hughes—75 net—Bottle sherry.
16th D. Haynes—75 net—Bottle sherry.

17th A. Jamieson—76 net—Bottle sherry. 18th L. Greenow—77 net—Bottle sherry.

19th A. Boffy-78 net-Golf glove.

20th A. Stephens-81 net-Tankard.

21st M. Hall-82 net-Pair socks.

Mr Robinson gave the apologies of the Club President, Mr P. P. Hunt, and the Captain, Mr Minnett, who could not be with us during the evening. He then introduced Mr R. A. Pratt, Chairman of the Green Committee, who made the presentation.

Mr Pratt said how pleased he was to see so many greenkeepers at Habberley especially

the younger members whom he would like to see have similar training to that given in the U.S.A. where it was possible to obtain a degree for this type of work. After making the presentation, Mr Pratt asked everyone to take liquid refreshment with him.

G. Hart, Chairman of the Section, on behalf of the greenkeepers, thanked Mr Pratt for making the presentation; Robinson for his warm welcome and kind remarks; the Captain and Directors for the splendid prizes and the courtesy of the course and clubhouse; John Grealy, Head Green-keeper and Steward, who had everything in perfect order on the course and in clubhouse, and Mrs Grealy and her lady assistants, Mrs Derby, Mrs Woodhall and Mrs Greenow, for the first-class meals and service throughout the day. A wonderful occasion enjoyed by all.

A.G.M.

The A.G.M. was held at the Habberley Golf Club on Monday evening, 21st July with our Chairman, Mr George Hart, Over 30 members presiding. were attendance.

The Minutes of the last A.G.M. were read and passed along with the Secretary's Report of the year's activities. The Treasurer reported the Balance Sheet to be once again holding its own and was accorded a vote of thanks for his continued hard work.

Election of Officers

The following were elected for the year:-President, Mr Carl Bretherton; Vice-Presidents, en-bloc with the addition of Mr J. R. Greenhalg, Mr P. Grimmitt, Mr R. A. Pratt, Mr Plant, and Mr Turner; Chairman, G. Hart; Vice-Chairman, H. Drewitt; Secretary, R. Goodwin; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, F. Cashmore; Committee, E. Benbow, W. Barton, A. Boraston, P. Coleman, T. Jones, G. Smith, R. Smith, V. Smith, A. Stephens and G. Woodward; Executive Representative, R. Goodwin; Hon. Auditors, Messrs K. Sargeson and E. Ballinger.

A vote of thanks was expressed to Mr Sargeson and Mr Ballinger for the wonderful job they had done over the years in keeping our financial affairs in good order.

Any Other Business

It was reported that the Walmley Golf Club has kindly agreed to us using their clubhouse for this year's Annual Dinner, and it was hoped to arrange a film show to accompany the Dinner.

It was resolved that future tournaments in the Section be played with one Division only.

Mr Pugh moved a vote of thanks to the Chairman for conducting the meeting. This was unanimously supported.

This closed the business.

NORTHERN

By J. Parker

Chairman: A. ROBERTSHAW Hon. Secretary: 8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden, Bingley, Yorks.

Thirty-five members visited the new Moor Allerton Golf Course, Leeds, now under construction, on Monday, 21st July. They were conducted round by Mr Ron Kirby, Course Supervisor, and Mr Colin Geddes. Many new features are being used in the construction and these caused a lot of interest and discussion. It is hoped to make another visit next year to see the progress made.

Mr J. Coates

Members will be sorry to hear of the death of Mr J. Coates, a Life Member of the Association, and one of the oldest members of the Section.

New Members

We welcome to the Section Mr D. Gillery, 42 Cornelian Avenue, Scarborough (Scarborough South Cliff).

Mr W. Heeles

Playing in the Harrogate Amateur Championship Bill Heeles of Oakdale Golf Club broke the course record of the Knaresborough Golf Club and won competition. Our congratulations to him.

NORTH-EAST

Chairman . J. SIMPSON

By G. Jeffries Hon. Secretary: 55 Brackenfield Road, Framwell Gate Moor, Durham.

Our new Secretary and Treasurer is Mr Geo. Jeffries of Durham City Golf Club. I trust you will all continue to give him your full support. We are all sorry that Mr D. Earsman, our former Secretary, has left greenkeeping for the time being and we wish him well in his new job and thank him for the splendid manner in which he carried out his duties in the past.

J. G. Simpson.

A.G.M.

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday, 12th July, at the Duke of Wellington Hotel, Newcastle, 20 members

being present.
Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, opened the meeting, and in his remarks thanked the Committee and members for their support

during the past year.

Report on the year's working was given by the Secretary and Treasurer, and a vote of thanks was given to Mr Dave Earsman, our retiring Secretary and Treasurer, for the good work done for the Section over the years, and for finishing with such a healthy balance sheet.

Paying members — 48, and 7 honorary members, making a total of 55.

Election of Officers

President, C. N. Storey, Esq.; Vice-Presidents, returned en-bloc; Chairman, J. Simpson, Esq.; Vice-Chairman, N. Fraser, Esq.; Secretary and Treasurer, G. Jeffries, Esq.; Committee, returned en-bloc; Hon. Auditors, Messrs Martin, Hilton and Blakey.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee and members, thanked our Hon. Auditors for their work with the accounts and Mr Les Lowery for his help with the cards at our golf competitions. Thanks went to our old friend, Mr Tom Oliver, for his work with the sweep tickets.

Annual Competition

As you may know our Annual Competition is held at Morpeth Golf Club, Northumberland. Members who have not paid their subscriptions for 1968/69 will not be eligible to play in the competition which is on the 25th September.

Subscriptions

Will all members please note that subscriptions for 1969/70 are now due.

We welcome to the Section the following new members, both Class C. W. J. Mollon (Durham City Golf Club), and Alan Lowes (Chester-le-Street Golf Club).

SHEFFIELD

Chairman: G. HERRINGTON (Lindrick)

By H. Gillespie Hon. Secretary: 63 Langsett Avenue Sheffield, S6 4AA

Annual Tournament

The Annual Tournament was played on 23rd July at Tankersley Park Golf Club by kind permission of the Captain and Committee. The 26 members who competed had a very enjoyable day's golf, playing 10 holes in the morning and 18 holes after lunch. Conditions were very sunburnt with the sun blazing down all day. They were very tired feet that rested in the clubhouse at night to hear a welcome from the Vice-Captain who, deputising for the Captain on holiday, presented the prizes to the following:-

28-hole net, Cup and 1st, J. Baxby (Hallowes) 38-72-110 net.

38-72-110 net. 28-hole gross, Cup and 2nd, A. (Lindrick) 42-78-120 net 111. Cup and 3rd, J. A. Spencer

18-hole net, Cup and 3rd, (Doncaster Town Moor) 42-71-113 net.

4th C. Chappell (Phoenix) 39-74-113. 5th H. Tanfield (Renishaw) 38-76-114. 6th E. Ainsworth (Lincoln) 40-77-117 7th G. Herrington (Lindrick) 42-78-120. 8th A. J. Baxby (Hallowes) 45-76-121.

9th A. Goldthorpe (unattached) 44½-77-121½.

10th E. Palmer (Abbeyvale) 42½-80-122½.

11th P. Leader (Hallowes) 46-77-123. 12th R. N. Maltby (Sherwood Forest) 44-79-123.

13th R. Whitehead (Wheatley) 43-80-123. 14th H. Herrington (Rotherham) 43-80-123. We were joined in the afternoon by five

We were joined in the afternoon by five of our Vice-Presidents with Mr B. H. Webster (Hillsborough) the prize-winner with 78 net. Our thanks to these fixe gentlemen for giving up their time to join us; we hope your enjoyed yourselves.

you enjoyed yourselves.
Our thanks also to the Tankersley Golf Club for the courtesy and wonderful way we were received and in particular to Mr M. D. Hulley for the catering arrangements he so hurriedly made. Once again we were also indebted to Mr W. Pender of Stewarts and Mr G. Vaughan of Ransomes for looking

after the score cards, etc.

Prize Donors

Our thanks are due to the following who donated to the Prize Fund: Messrs Ransomes, Pattissons, Suttons & Sons, Stewarts, Rigby Taylors, May & Baker, Cannock Fertilisers, Flymo Ltd., Lindsay & Kesteven Fertilisers, S.A.I. Ltd., W. Mountain & Sons, Mr Elliott, Mr Haynes, Mr Hulley, Mr Park, Mr Shardlow, Mr Webster and Miss M. Walker.

New Members

We welcome to the Section two new members—D. Marsh of Wheatley Golf Club and P. Leader of Hallowes Golf Club.

NORTH-WEST

By H. M. Walsh

Chairman: T. BRENNAN Hon. Secretary: Horrobin Cottage, Old Links Golf Club, Montserrat, Bolton, Lancs.

Annual Tournament

As stated in previous issues of the journal our Autumn Tournament will be held at Bolton Golf Club, Lostock Park, Bolton, on Thursday, 16th October 1969. Will all members intending to be present please let me know as soon as possible so that I can make the necessary catering arrangements. The tournament will be over 27 holes, 18 in the afternoon and 9 in the morning. Members will be allowed one visitor for whom there will be an 18-hole competition in the afternoon. Please let us have another successful day with another big turn out, and please arrive early.

Winter Lectures

I am once again arranging this winter's series of lectures. The first one will be in October and the name of the speaker, the date and venue will be in the next issue of the journal, also the dates and names of

other speakers. The venue for those talks will be the same as last year, the Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester.

Change of my Address

Will all members please send future correspondence to my new address which is as follows:—Hon. Secretary, North West Section, B.G.G.A., Horrobin Cottage, Old Links Golf Club, Montserrat, Bolton, Lancs.



By S. A. Tucker

Chairman: M. Geddes (Royal Portheawi) Hon. Sec. and Treasurer: 36 Close Road, Morriston, Swansea, Glamorgan.

Annual General Meeting

The A.G.M. has passed again and I hope that all who paid a visit to Wales enjoyed themselves, and that they were very comfortable in their stay. I do hope that all who live on inland courses paid a visit to some of our bays and the Gower coast, I am sure they would enjoy the views.

Autumn Meeting

The Autumn Meeting will be held at the Carmarthen Golf Course on 24th September. The coach will leave the library, Whitchurch, Cardiff at 8 a.m. sharp travelling via Llantrisant Road, Pontyclun, to the Brindgend by-pass then on the A48 road direct to Carmarthen. All members who have not notified me please do so as I have to inform the driver where to pick you up and also to arrange the catering.

Annual Draw

I must thank all members who sold their tickets for the draw. The effort was very good I am pleased to say. I must mention T. E. Lloyd who sold 127 books — a very fine effort Tom, thank you, and to all the others for their efforts, thank you lads for all you have done.

SITUATIONS VACANT

MANAGER'S JOB IN HONG KONG.

The Hon. Secretary has details of a
manager's job in Hong Kong with

manager's job in Hong Kong with special responsibilities for the golf courses.

WEST KENT GOLF CLUB, DOWNE, Nr. Farnborough, Kent, require Second Greenkeeper. Must be experienced. Good wages and fringe

benefits. No accommodation. Apply Secretary, Farnborough 51323 or Kent 51737.