

News



from the Sections

EAST MIDLAND

By S. Fretter

Hon. Secretary:

4 Queens Drive,
Leicester Forest East,
Leicester.

Chairman:
J. CARRICK

Film Show

A Film Show will be held at Birstal Golf Club on Wednesday, November 8th 1970. Come and be entertained by Ransomes and Leicester Horticultural Engineers, commencing 7.30 p.m., by courtesy of the Birstal Golf Club. Please make a note of this date as postage is so dear, I shall not be writing to you again about this show.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mr W. Wood, Stanton-on-the-Wolds Golf Club, for winning the Scratch Cup at Filey. This must be the first time it has been to the East Midlands. Well done, Walter.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs G. Arnold on the birth of their son.

NORTH-EAST

By G. Jeffries

Hon. Secretary:

55 Brackenfield Road,
Framwell Gate Moor, Durham.

Chairman:
J. SIMPSON

Autumn Tournament

Our Autumn Tournament was held on Thursday, 10th September, at the Boldon Golf Club, by kind permission of the captain and committee. Results: Best scratch score over 27 holes—D. Cooper

(Whickham), 117; Joseph Millar Salver and table lamp. The Ransomes Cup and Ransomes Watch was won by G. Gainford (City of Newcastle) for the best net score 106. Second—I. Huish (Wearside), 108½; Metamec clock. Third—A. Lowes (Chester-le-Street), 111; bed sheets. Fourth—R. Bird (unattached), 112½, Snug blanket. Fifth—J. Carrs (Embleton), 115; bedspread. Sixth—H. Sommerville (Alnmouth), blanket, also the Jack Wroath Trophy for over the age of 55, with a score of 116, making this two in a row. Seventh—R. Hutton (Eaglescliffe), 117; vegetable dish. Eighth—R. Hinson (Tynemouth), 118; shopping bag. Ninth—J. Ward (Wearside), 118; lighter. Tenth—S. Graham (Newbiggin), 118½; golf balls. Eleventh—H. Brown (Newbiggin), 121; watch. Twelfth—C. Baxter (Whitburn), 122; blanket. Thirteenth—G. Thompson (Goswick), 122½; table lamp. Fourteenth—S. Pope (Tyneside), 123; magazine rock. Fifteenth—D. Earsman (Heworth), 123; Pyrex casserole/stand. Sixteenth—J. Richardson (Tyneside), 125; Pyrex casserole/stand. Seventeenth—D. McNeil (Chester-le-Street), 125; SISIS rake. Eighteenth—L. Farrington (Warkworth), 125; Association tie. The Trade prize was won by Mr W. Beveridge of Ransomes with a score of 114.

Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, called upon our President, Mr C. N. Storey, to say a few words on our behalf. He apologised for not being able to attend more field days remarking that he had been very busy from time to time, and that he would try to join in with us for a game of golf at some future tournament. He went on to say that he was pleased to see the membership growing in the section, also to see so many of the older members in attendance. He was rather surprised to know that we had a member at Appleby, and Windermere in the section. A good round of applause followed his speech. We would like Mr Storey to know that we are always pleased to see him at any time.

Our Chairman thanked the Captain and Committee for the courtesy of the course and clubhouse. He then introduced the vice-captain of the Boldon Golf Club who had kindly consented to present the prizes and say a few words on our behalf.

Mr Simpson then thanked the steward, stewardess and staff for two most enjoyable meals. The greenkeeper and his staff for the splendid condition of the course. This was heartily endorsed by all.

Our thanks are due to the following members of the Trade and Golf Clubs for kindly contributing to our prize list:—

Messrs Parkside Engineers, May and Baker, Stewart and Co., Mr T. Chambers for J. Bland Short, Fisons, SISIS, Mr Ian Johnstone, the Professional of Boldon Golf Club, also for the use of caddy cars, Mr J. Rutherford and the local golf clubs.

Thanks went to Mr Les Lowery for his splendid work with the cards and money, assisted by our vice-chairman Mr N. Fraser. Thanks also to our Chairman, Mr J. Simp-

son, for the part he played in these functions, and also to Mr Rutherford for his work with the raffle.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members, and hope their association will be long and happy:—

R. Hutton, Eaglescliffe Golf Club; R. Richardson, Tyneside Golf Club; S. Graham, Newbiggin Golf Club; and W. Arrowsmith, of Gosforth, Bridle Path Golf Club.

New Venue for Meetings

Our meetings will now be held at the Bridge Hotel, Newcastle, as the room in the Duke of Wellington is no longer available. The Bridge Hotel is at the end of the High Level.

SOUTHERN

Chairman:
C. A. MOORE
(Stanmore)

By F. W. Ford
Hon. Secretary:
68 Salcombe Gardens
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Autumn Tournament

Once again the popular Autumn Tournament had a record number of entries—104—but for various reasons only 82 took part.

The early morning heavy rain which greeted the early starters was soon blown away by the heavy winds sufficiently to allow everyone to get started and surprisingly enough there were some good scores recorded.

These were as follows with the prizes which were presented by the Captain of Orsett Golf Club, Mr Thredgill. Before the presentation, however, he presented a silver salvar to our retiring Chairman, Mr J. K. Glass, in recognition of his four years of office.

Best a.m., L. Coyte and W. Barratt (Romford), travelling clocks, 41 points; Best p.m., J. Kirkpatrick and W. Loftberg (Dulwich), cut glass sets, 38; 1st aggregate, W. F. Machin and P. Blake (Addington Court), barometers, 82; 2nd, J. K. Glass and M. Herve (Thorpe Hall), table heaters, 78; 3rd, R. E. Claydon and T. Morrison (West Middlesex), tea service, 76; 4th, C. A. Moore and V. Wilde (Stanmore), bath scales, 75; 5th, B. Payne and R. Ford (Burnham Beeches), 1 doz. golf balls, 75; 6th, P. Whitehead and J. Chipping (Shooters Hill), $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. golf balls, 73.

The Flymo very sportingly offered by Flymo Ltd. for a hole-in-one made a return trip to Watford, I'm afraid, but I understand that there were some close ones!!

Our grateful thanks to the following who helped to make it such a memorable day:—The Orsett Golf Club for the wonderful reception we received from everyone; Mr Jennings of Flymo Ltd. for the hole-in-one offer, a dozen golf balls and providing a

starter for the first tee; G. Roberts for free trollies and $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen golf balls; to the all-important scorecard officials—David Craig, Philip Marshall, John Field—and starter Bill Holloway. And last but not least Peter Wyatt of Pattissons for supporting our meetings as he always does so generously.

New Members

We welcome the following new members to the section:— M. J. White of Datchet, and C. M. Woodward of Beaconsfield.

Filey

A grateful message of thanks from Bill Kingston to all the ladies and everyone who showed great kindness to Mrs Kingston after her fall at Filey.

November Lecture

This will be given by the Senior Advisory Officer of Bingley, Mr B. Clayton, and he will be giving a general talk on Green-keeping at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 4th November, at our usual meeting place.

SOUTH COAST

Chairman:
P. MALIA
(Lee-on-Solent)

By Tom Graham
Hon. Secretary:
"Waverley"
West Lane,
Hayling Island,
Hants.

Congratulations

The section offers its congratulations to Eric James of Parkstone and Eddie West of Broadstone for being among the prize winners at Filey.

Tournament

A successful golf tournament was held at the Hayling Island Golf Club on the 15th September. Twenty-two teams entered. The weather for the morning round was brilliant which gave us a good start for the section's first venture. Unfortunately rain caught the competitors in the afternoon round. Messrs Flymo presented a wonderful trophy which was won by J. Pready and R. Bowey from Royal Winchester Golf Club.

List of Prize Winners

1st, Flymo Cup and 21-piece teaset each plus sweep, J. Pready and R. Bowey (Royal Winchester Golf Club), 69 points; 2nd, J. Gaffney and T. Graham (Hayling "A"), Chichester, stainless steel tray each, 66; 3rd, H. Roffey and T. Keeping (Broadstone "A"), bottle of whisky and two golf balls each, 65.

Morning Round

1st, G. Haskell and C. Dennis (Broadstone "B"), 18-piece tea or coffee set, 40 points; 2nd, W. Stephenson and J. Cousin (Hayling "B"), bottle of sherry and two golf balls

each, 36; 3rd, A. Jones and E. West (Broadstone "C"), bottle of wine and one golf ball each, 35.

Afternoon Round

1st, S. McDonald and R. Plain (Beaconsfield), carving sets, 32 points; 2nd, P. Pearson and E. Townsend (Peacehaven), sports shirts, 31; 3rd, (Guests) Mr E. Fletcher and Capt. R. Stone, bottle of wine and one golf ball each, 28.

Two bottles of champagne and four golf balls were to be the prize for a hole-in-one but as these were not won they were auctioned during the evening.

We were delighted to see our President, Mr J. H. Fry, compete and although he didn't manage to be among the prize winners he surely must qualify for the most courageous competitor in completing 36 holes so soon after his illness.

Our first meeting will soon be upon us—6th October. This will be as a general discussion for future section functions and activities. Our President has donated a beautiful silver trophy to be competed for in a summer tournament to be known as "The President's Cup".

Mr Roffey of Bournemouth has also donated a trophy to be competed for in the handicap section of the Spring Championship. The "Tregunna" trophy will be awarded to the winning scratch score—this will be our Section Champion.

New Member

We welcome to the section Mr E. Townsend of the Peacehaven G.C.

WELSH

By S. A. Tucker

Chairman:
M. GEDDES,
23 Fenton Place,
Porthcawl, Glamorgan.

Hon. Secretary:
36 Clase Road,
Morriston,
Swansea, Glam.

Error

I am sorry I made an error in my last notes with the supper at our Annual General Meeting. It should have read "we were entertained by the Glamorganshire County Golfing Union" and not by the "Welsh Golfing Union". I am sorry I made this mistake and hope it has not been inconvenient to anyone. Thank you.

New Member

On behalf of the members, I welcome Derek Keen to the section. He has joined Shrewsbury Golf Club from the Southern Section. Good luck, Derek, and we wish you all the best in your new post.

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Golfers may not have to pay 4d for a scorecard when they go along to Portsmouth's Municipal Course in the future.

The city's Parks and Entertainments Committee may drop the charge after being told that many people think the 10s per round charge is high enough without having to buy a card as well.

The New Forest Rural District Council were told at their meeting that over 90 acres of land forming the Greatwood and Manor Home Farms, Bramshott Hill, Dibden, had been purchased for a golf course.

Rochdale Highways Committee has decided not to recommend the closure of a section of public footpath at "The Racecourse"—the path which leads from Bagslate Moor Road to Broadhalgh Avenue. This closure was suggested by Rochdale Golf Club.

The Greater London Council has approved the construction of an 18-hole public golf course at Cockfosters. It will be on 140 acres of land on the Trent Park Estate. The council, following the recommendation of their arts and recreation committee, have accepted an offer by Mr H. Stovin to develop a golf course and build a clubhouse in return for a 42-year lease at a rental of £5 until the course is opened to the public which is expected to be some time in 1972.