

switch to each green in the mornings and the dew is removed without caning or switching. This method is common practice in the States, the speaker said, and by at least one member present.

Mr Barnes acquainted us with some facts and points of interest. Advisable bore for mains pipe for pop ups, two-three inches. The longer the run the larger the bore to offset friction loss. Larger bore pipes can be fitted to one inch meters.

To produce the equivalent of a half inch of rain a small sprinkler takes one hour ten minutes per day, large sprinkler, 30 minutes and pop ups 10 minutes per day. A telephone system via the salinoid wire could be fitted for as little as £100 extra.

Question time was a lively affair and several members were against pop ups because of increasement of thatch and the disruption of existing drains during P.U. pipe laying. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to Mr Barnes from our Chairman who also apologised for the absence of our President, Mr Jack Wallace-Arthur. We all wish a speedy recovery to Mrs J. Wallace-Arthur. Our thoughts and best wishes also go to Frank Brittin in the hope that he will soon be fit and well again.

Spring Tournament

The Annual Spring Tournament will be held at the Hadley Golf Club on THURSDAY, 6th MAY, and will be a 36 hole Medal Competition. Members must be up to date with their subscriptions to enter and should write in to me stating NAME, CLUB and LOWEST HANDICAP. CLOSING DATE, MONDAY, 19th APRIL. Nearest Station COCKFOSTERS, with a two mile bus journey to the club. First Year Competitors will play from scratch. May I remind last year's cup winners to bring back their trophies with them or to make sure they are at Hadley Wood by the 6th May.

New Members

A warm welcome to the following new members: John Shaw (Ransomes), T. F. Foster (Maidenhead), and R. H. Burnham, P. Dearman, and M. J. Mulligan of Hadley Wood.

A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting will take place at the Stirling Castle on Wednesday, 26th May at 6.30 p.m. All members welcome.

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Trip to Fisons

The trip to Fisons will take place on Wednesday, 21st April. The meeting place is Charing Cross Underground Station on the Embankment side at 8 a.m.

Autumn Tournament

A note for your diaries, the Autumn Tournament has been arranged for Wednesday, 8th September, at Walton Heath.

WELSH

By S. A. Tucker

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

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

Spring Meeting

Our Spring Meeting will be held at the St. Mellons Golf Club, St. Mellons, nr. Cardiff, on Tuesday, 4th May 1971. Will, and I mean *will*, all members intending to attend *please* let me have their entry by the 25th April so that I can make sure that all are catered for. Thanking you.

A.G.M.

I hope to have the dates for the A.G.M. and the Autumn Meeting in my next notes.

NORTH-WEST

By H. M. Walsh

Chairman:
T. BRENNAN.

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

Lectures

Our thanks are due to Mr McCogan of Flymo Institutional Division, Mr Mitchell and Mr Harrison of Cheshire Light Tractors for the very interesting and entertaining talk and films on the Flymo and Toro range of grass cutting machines which appertain to green-keeping. Our thanks also for the refreshments provided. Thank you gentlemen once again.

Spring Tournament

The Spring Tournament will take place as stated in previous journals, at the Romilly Golf Club, Cheshire, on Tuesday, 11th May 1971. Will all members who intend to take part please inform me at the earliest moment so that I can complete catering arrangements. It will be a 27-hole event—nine in the morning and 18 in the afternoon. A visitors competition of 18 holes will be run in the after-