turf was also required; these different conditions need other characteristics such as drought tolerance and resistance to red thread disease. We already have a breeding programme under way to produce a variety to fulfil these requirements. Furthermore, we are continually collecting, selecting and testing new plant material as a means to produce new varieties which show improvements on those in use today. Thus for many years to come we shall continue to make playing conditions better and turf management easier.

The British Golf Greenkeeper's Association

## MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE ENGLISH SPEAKING UNION

## 19th May, 1973

TWELVE MEMBERS were present including the Chairman who took the chair for the meeting.

The Agenda for this meeting was the proposal for increases in subscription rates which had been made at the Executive Meeting held at Birmingham in March, 1973, and which necessitated a change of rules. Views of this proposition were discussed at some length by the representative members of various sections, some of which were in full agreement with the proposals, and others were of the view that they should be modified to some extent, particularly with regard to the proposed increases for Honorary Members, as it was felt this could possibly have a detrimental effect on this form of membership.

Another point which was discussed at some length was the proposed increase in Entrance Fee from 15p. to 50% of the subscription. Here, again, it was thought possible that this large increase could possibly affect membership of the Association and Mr Heeles proposed an amendment to the original proposition that the increased rates, as suggested for Classes A. B. C and D, should be accepted but that there should be no charge in Class E membership. Also that the Entrance Fee should in increased to 50p and not 50% of the subscription. A vote was taken on this amendment which was passed by a majority of seven for and three against, with one abstention.

The Chairman then agreed that the rates should be adjusted according to the amendment and the Hon. Secretary was asked to publish these figures to operate from 1st May, 1973.

There being nothing further to discuss the meeting was closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

## NOTE

The wage scale recommendations printed in the May issue of the Journal should read *Minimum* per annum.