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SHEFFIELD SECTION

Chairman:
G. HERRINGTON
(Lindrick)

By H. Gillespie
Hon. Secretary/Treasurer:
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Retirement

We all wish a long and happy retirement to Harold Tanfield, Head Greenkeeper at Renishaw Park Golf Club, who retired at Christmas.

Harold started his greenkeeping career at Lees Hall Golf Club and joined Renishaw Park after the war and so completed 26 years on retiring. He joined the committee of this section in 1947 and has been no mean performer in competitive golf, playing off a single figure handicap for many years.

Good luck and best wishes to you Harold!

Lecture

The lecture on 1st February, 1973, will be given by Mr. J. B. Ball of Vitaseamin Ltd and the subject 'Calcified Seaweed'. With the increasing use of soil conditioners, this should

be a very interesting lecture; the venue as usual is Abbeydale Golf Club, 2 pm.

The March lecture at Abbeydale, on the 1st, is on 'Course Architecture' by Mr F. W. Hawtree, this should provide a full house.

5th April will bring a visit from our old friend Mr. Glyn Vaughan of Ransomes with a demonstration of their 'Course Management Equipment'.

A Happy New Year to everyone.

NORTHERN

By Walter Heeles

Chairman:
J. SCOTT
Wetherby Golf Club

Hon. Sec.
7 Tentergate Close,
Knaresborough, Yorks
HG5 9BJ

October

The first of the Winter Lectures took place at the Horsforth Golf Club on Thursday, 26th October, 1972. The subject of the Lecture was 'Turf Diseases', which was put over very aptly by Mr. A. R. Woolhouse of the Sport Turf Research Institute.

November

What could be described as one of the highlights of the Northern Section Calendar for 1972/73, took the form of a visit to the Nacton Works of Ransomes Simms & Jefferies, Ipswich. In spite of the general lack of support for the occasion, 28 Members mustered for the visit.

Following the arrival at our overnight stop at Felixstowe, a dinner was provided by our hosts and, later, to make the evening pleasant, a plentiful supply of liquid refreshments, etc., was provided once again by courtesy of our hosts, Ransomes. The next day our party travelled to Ipswich to witness the behind the scenes story of the birth of an Auto-Certe's, or a 5-7 Gang Mowing unit, not forgetting the many other kinds of machines manufactured at Ransomes.

Lunch was as a parting gesture, once again furnished by our hosts, after which our Chairman, John Scott, thanked Mr. Wilson, representing the firm, for his close attention and for his firm's generosity.

Our thanks are also due to our President, Mr. W. Mountain (Bill), for his generosity towards the cost of the coach.

The second highlight of the Northern Section took place on Monday, 27th November in the form of a Buffet Dance which was held at the Knaresborough Town Hall. 108 members and friends took part and a most enjoyable evening was had by all. A general discussion was held at the Horsforth Golf

variety trials (2) seed mixtures trials (3) other miscellaneous trials (4) machinery.

Bed, breakfast and evening meal charge at the local Midland and Fleece, at this moment of time, is £2.50. They will be booked by me at a later date when I know how many are going. The Coach will be free.

Will those who intend going, let me know in plenty of time to complete final arrangements with the Research Station, hotel and coach booking.

This is an educational trip and it is in the interests of the Golf Clubs, so bring it to the notice of your Greens' Chairman and collect the expenses!!!

February Lecture

The Speaker for Wednesday 7th February 1973 at the 'George', will be Frank Smith of Maxwell Hart. His subject will be 'Grass Seeds'.

New Members

A warm welcome to the following new members:

V. Edmonds	(Addington Court)
R. G. Thyeson	(Muswell Hill)
R. P. Denning	(Woodcote Park)
D. Green	(Shirley Park)
J. T. Dunn	(Welwyn Garden City G.C.)

Annual Dinner

This will be on Friday 23rd March 1973 at the Walton Heath Golf Club, Tadworth, Surrey. As in the past, there will be a Stableford Competition in the afternoon in which Members and their Guests may take part.

There will be a sweepstake of 50p per person and tickets for the Dinner will cost £2.00.

Dinner places will be reserved only on receipt of appropriate amount. Nice and early please!!

NORTH EAST

Chairman:
MR. J. SIMPSON

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

Appointments

Colin Moseby who has been First Assistant at the Bedlington Golf Club, has now taken on the post as Head Greenkeeper at Blyth Golf Club. As most members will know Colin was Head Greenkeeper at Blyth before

moving to Bedlington, I am sure that all members will join me in wishing him every success in his new appointment.

This is a letter written to me by Sam Farrington who was Head Greenkeeper of Warkworth Golf Club, we wish him well in his new appointment also.

Flat 1,
Prior Hall Golf Club,
Corby,
Northants
8th December 1972

Dear George,

By the time you receive this letter I will be on my way to the above golf club to take up my new appointment as Head Greenkeeper.

I would like to thank you and the chairman for running a first class NE section, for the lectures and tournaments you have run, and for the comradeship I have enjoyed with all the lads in the section; may I wish all the section seasons greetings and a successful future.

SOUTH COAST

By H. MacGillivray

Chairman:
I. GREENFIELD
Goodwood Golf Club
Sussex

Hon. Secretary:
Fail-Toc
2 Whickers Close
Rowlands Castle
Hants.

Seasonal Greetings

May I send best wishes to our President, Vice-President, to all our members and never forgetting the various friends who have helped us throughout the year.

Future Lecture

We are commencing the New Year with a lecture arranged for 7 p.m. on 23rd January, when we hope to have speakers from Flymo Limited. The venue is to be Ampfield Golf and Country Club, Winchester.

Retiring Secretary

Let me express on behalf of all our members in the section our sincere thanks to Tom Graham for what he has done for the section. Many people, I feel, failed to realise the hard work put in by him, especially as he is one of the founder members of the section.

However, though stepping out of the chair, his familiar face will be around as much as ever and I dare say his hands on our golf prizes as well, as he now has more time to play.