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NORTH-WEST

Chairman:
 O. P. JONES,
 Bramhall Golf Club

By H. M. Walsh
 Hon. Secretary:
 Horrobin Cottage,
 Old Links Golf Club,
 Montserrat, Bolton,
 Lancs.

Spring Tournament

Our sincere thanks are due to the Captain and Council of the Leigh Golf Club for their kindness in granting us the courtesy of their course and the facilities of the clubhouse, and

the very warm welcome extended to us by the Captain, Mr Tatlock. Our thanks also to the stewardess, Mrs Johnson, for the excellent catering provided, to Mr R. Vickers and his staff for the wonderful condition of the course, and to Messrs Barlow, Vaughan and P. Wyatt for their help with the score cards, meal tickets etc. Our very sincere thanks to all prize donors both individual and the trade. Thank you, once again, every one.

Prizes were presented by the Captain, Mr Tatlock, and prize winners were as follows:

Best Gross	E. Walsh	112	over 27 holes
2nd Gross	F. Fletcher	117	over 27 holes
Best Nett	H. McAddey	103½	over 27 holes
2nd Nett	H. M. Walsh	109	over 27 holes
3rd Nett	F. Fletcher	109½	over 27 holes
			C.P.O.
4th Nett	B. S. Gregson	109½	over 27 holes
5th Nett	R. Janovskis	110	over 27 holes
6th Nett	E. Walsh	110½	over 27 holes
			C.P.O.
7th Nett	J. Robinson	110½	over 27 holes
8th Nett	R. L. Thomas	111	over 27 holes
9th Nett	W. Sumner	111½	over 27 holes
10th Nett	M. Sheehan	112	over 27 holes
11th Nett	J. Wright	113	over 27 holes
			C.P.O.
12th Nett	G. A. Hall	113	over 27 holes
13th Nett	H. Sumner	116	over 27 holes
14th Nett	R. Lewis	117	over 27 holes
15th Nett	K. Holmes	117½	over 27 holes

Over 50's

Presidents Challenge Cup

H. M. Walsh 109 over 27 holes

Visitor's Prize

S. Dogger 71 over 18 holes C.P.O.

Annual General Meeting

There was a good attendance for the Annual General Meeting. The election of officers was as follows:

Vice Presidents voted en bloc

Chairman, O. P. Jones, Bramhall Golf Club

Vice Chairman, E. Walsh, Childwall Golf Club

Secretary, H. M. Walsh, Old Links Golf Club,

Bolton

Treasurer, R. Janovskis, Swinton Park Golf Club

Committee, Messrs Drage, Rhodes, Bond, Sumner and R. Vickers ex Officio.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members and hope their association with us will be a happy one.

F. Longworth, Swinton Park Golf Club

Vice President

R. M. Hurley, Houghton Lane, Swinton

Associate Member

SHEFFIELD SECTION

Chairman:
G. HERRINGTON
(Lindrick)

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

A.G.M.

The Section Annual General Meeting was held at Renishaw Park Golf Club on Tuesday, 1st May 1973, at 7 p.m. when 27 members were present with the President, Mr S. K. Arnold, in the Chair. The minutes of the 1972 A.G.M. were read and accepted; a copy of the Balance Sheet was available to all present and this was accepted.

The following officers were elected – President, Mr S. K. Arnold; Vice Presidents, Messrs Elliott, Haynes, Hickling, Nunn, Park and Webster were re-elected enbloc along with Mr Crowther, Secretary at Hallamshire Golf Club.

Chairman, G. Herrington; Vice Chairman, J. Baxby; Secretary/Treasurer, H. Gillespie.

Committee: J. Hague, H. Herrington, B. Lax, E. Palmer and R. Whitehead.

It was unanimously agreed that Mr H. Tanfield be elected a Life Member following his retirement.

A lengthy discussion took place on the proposed increase in subscriptions and it was agreed to send a resolution to the Extraordinary General Meeting to be held in London later in the month, and it was also agreed to send Mr G. Herrington as the Sheffield delegate.

It was agreed that the lectures for the '73/74 season would again be held at Abbeydale Golf Club on the first Thursday in the months of November, December, January, February, March and April; the meetings will commence at 3.30 p.m.

Annual Tournament

The Section Annual Tournament will be held at Hillsborough Golf Club on Wednesday, July 18th 1973, over 27 holes, the morning 9 holes starting at 10.00 a.m.

President's Trophy

The President's, Mr S. K. Arnold's, Trophy was played at Renishaw Park Golf Club on 1st May 1973, with 25 members playing an 18 holes Stableford competition in perfect weather conditions on a course in wonderful condition for the time of the year. Congratulations to Mr L. Allsebrook and his staff.

Scoring was on the high side, no doubt due to the very lush wet fairways not providing much run on the ball.

The winner with 35 pts. was T. Baxby;

2nd, H. Herrington 31pts. on last nine from M. Egginton 31 pts.

Our thanks to the President for providing the prizes and to the Captain and Officers of Renishaw Park Golf Club for allowing us to use their course and clubhouse and also the Stewardess for a very nice meal afterwards.

Handicaps

The following handicaps have been adjusted:—
T. Baxby 24 to 20 J. Baxby 10 to 12
M. Egginton 24 to 22 A. Goldthorpe 7 to 8
R. N. Maltby 17 to 15 H. Gillespie 18 to 20
H. Tanfield 10 to 12

WELSH

By J. Rees
Hon. Secretary:
Neath Golf Club,
Cadoxten, Neath, Glamorgan

Chairman:
H. FRY

Spring Tournament

Our Spring Tournament was held at Whitchurch Golf Club on Wednesday, 18th April. The weather condition being perfect made it a most enjoyable day. After the prize giving, Mr H. Fry, our Chairman, thanked the Captain and Committee for once again allowing us to play over their course which was in an excellent condition for the time of year. We must congratulate Mr Tom Lloyd for the hard work he has put in. Tom is one of the longest serving greenkeepers of the Welsh section; he has been at Whitchurch for the past 44 years.

Thanks were also given to the indoor staff for looking after us so well. The prizes were presented by the Captain of Whitchurch Golf Club. The following were the prize winners:—

Best Gross – J. Rees

Score 122 for 27 holes

Prize given by Chipman Fertilizers

Division I

Best Nett J. Rees 111½

2 pairs Sheets

2nd Nett H. Fry 111½

1 set wine glasses

3rd Nett J. Martin 113½

1 Coffee set

4th Nett D. H. Jones 115

1 set of wine glasses

Division II – One prize only

Best Nett W. Jones 116

1 Sports shirt given by Whitchurch G.C.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new members:—

Messrs A. James, A. Brown, M. Murphy and C. Paulfry

Summer Tournament

The date for this tournament has been changed by Royal Porthcawl Golf Club from the 3rd July to 10th July 1973.

To conclude, I would like to add my personal thanks to Mr C. Murphy and Mr P. Wyatt for taking over the clerical work of the tournament.

NORTH-EAST

Chairman:
MR. J. SIMPSON

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

Spring Competition

Our Spring Competition was held on Thursday 12th April, at the Chester-le-Street golf club, by kind permission of the captain and committee.

Results

The winner over 18-holes was K. Barrs (Ravensworth), net 68, Salver; 2nd, B. Skipper (Eaglescliffe); 3rd T. McDonald (Durham City Golf Club).

Our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, thanked the captain and committee for the courtesy of the course and clubhouse. He then introduced the captain who had kindly consented to present the prizes. Thanks also to the steward, and staff for the nice meal they provided, and to Tom Oliver for running the raffle.

MIDLAND

Chairman:
G. HART
(Gay Hill)

By R. Goodwin
Hon. Secretary:
4 Burton Old Road,
Streethay, Lichfield,
Staffs.

Summer Cup and A.G.M.

The Summer Cup will take place at Habberley Golf Club, Kidderminster, on Monday 23rd July, by kind permission of the Captain and Directors. The members of Habberley are again providing the prizes for this event and I look for good support from greenkeepers for this event.

The Annual General Meeting will take place at Habberley, after the Summer Cup at 4.00 p.m.

Spring Tournament

The Spring Tournament was held over 27 holes at the Edgbaston Golf Club, on Tuesday 8th May. A large entry of 41 took part in this event, which developed into a two-horse race

for the Ransomes Cup, between Alan Cutler of the home club, and new-comer Stephen Spence. Cutler's Nett score was $33\frac{1}{2} + 67 = 100\frac{1}{2}$, with Spence just $\frac{1}{2}$ stroke behind, $34 + 67 = 101$.

Alan Kite was 7 strokes further back in 3rd place.

Prize winners were:-

A. Cutler $100\frac{1}{2}$ Nett - Ransomes Cup and Watch.

Gross Prize

R. Goodwin, 120 Gross - Sutton Cup and Cut Glass.

2nd Nett S. Spence 101

Cut Glass

3rd Nett A. Kite 108

Cut Glass

4th Nett T. Jones $110\frac{1}{2}$

Bottle of Scotch Whiskey

5th Nett T. Morris 111

Bottle of Scotch Whiskey

6th Nett B. Lowe 113

Table Lighter

7th Nett T. Cutler $113\frac{1}{2}$

6 Golf Balls

8th Nett R. Chandler 114

6 Golf Balls

9th Nett J. Boffy 114

50 Cigarettes

10th Nett H. Drewitt 115

50 Cigarettes

Mr W. Blake, won the Visitor's Prize of 6 Golf Balls with a Nett score of 69.

The Captain of Edgbaston, Mr Pudmore, kindly presented the prizes and said that he hoped everyone had enjoyed their day at Edgbaston.

G. Hart, on behalf of the Greenkeepers, thanked Mr Pudmore for the courtesies extended to Greenkeepers throughout the day. He paid tribute to Mr J. Clemence, the Head Greenkeeper, and his Staff for the fine condition of the course. He also thanked the Catering Staff and Mr Bill Payne and Frank Cashmore for all the paper-work they had done during the day. An enjoyable day was rounded off when Mr Blake kindly asked all present to take liquid refreshment with him.

Our thanks go to the following prize donors: Ransomes Ltd; Flymo Ltd; Sparkbrook Golf Ball Company Ltd; Stewart and Co Ltd; Sutton and Sons Ltd; Fissons Ltd; F. W. Lees and Co Ltd; Kings Heath Mowers Services Ltd; Cambridge Soils Ltd; Mr R. Pilsbury and Mr E. White.

Handicap Revision

A. Cutler 13-11

S. Spence 24-20

A. Kite 20-19

SOUTHERN

By F. W. Ford

Chairman:
C. A. MOORE
(Stanmore)

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

Spring Tournament

The following are the results of the Spring Tournament played at the West Byfleet Golf Club on Wednesday 9th May:-

		Gross
Scratch Prize	J. Kirkpatrick (Dulwich)	152
First Year		
1st	R. Lance (Surbiton)	154
2nd	J. Newman (Easthampstead Park)	158
3rd	A. Morton (West Byfleet)	169
Over 60		Net
1st	E. Foulkes (Flackwell Hth)	74
2nd	G. Hitchcock (Coombe Hill)	75
Best a.m.	F. Ford (South Herts)	70
Best p.m.	J. Bishop (Tandridge)	67
36 Aggregate		
1st	B. Richardson (Effingham)	134
2nd	R. Hargreaves (West Essex)	138
3rd	M. Owen (Roehampton)	144
4th	R. Peters (Bush Hill Park)	145
5th	D. Major (Betchworth Park)	145
6th	W. Machin (Addington Court)	145
7th	A. Martin (Haste Hill)	146
8th	T. Price (Whitewebbs)	146
9th	L. Coyte (Romford)	146
10th	J. Risbridger (Beaconsfield)	148
11th	P. Whitehead (Shooters Hill)	150
12th	R. Plain (Beaconsfield)	151

Our thanks to everyone at the West Byfleet Golf Club for the warm and friendly way in

which we were received and looked after; to 'Mac' for the good 'nic' of the course, to the Steward, Mr Cullen, for the excellent 'Grub', no after effects yet following the deep-tynded grapefruit, scarified beef or pork, pop-up watered greens, peas, beans or potatoes and fertilized sweets with cream, nitro chalk or PS4, etc.

Mr Cullen was also responsible for a free barrel of beer via Mr Hancock of Whitbreads which meant 'drinks all round', and a bottle of Glenn Drummond for the Benevolent Fund Draw.

Again our grateful thanks to our willing band of members in the trade who kept things running so smoothly from the 'Starting' at dawn, to the Prize presentation in the evening. The proceeds from the Benevolent fund draw totalled £26-00.

Trade contributors to the Prize giving:- R. C. Craig, Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies, Pattisons & Co, Flymo Ltd, Parkers & Sons, Suttons & Sons, Maxwell M. Hart, Kingston House Mowers, May & Baker, Universal Mat Co, Huxleys Garden Machinery and Gibbs Ltd.

New Members

A warm welcome to the new Members whose names are as follows:- A. K. Gadd (New Zealand), J. P. Smith (Ellesborough), G. Moss and D. R. Piggott (Henley), P. J. W. Scales (Arkley), R. Bowey and P. C. Quarmby (Berkhamsted) and A. Morton of the West Byfleet Golf Club.

Bingley Trip

A reminder to members not to leave it too late before advising me if they intend to travel to Yorkshire on 30th September.

POLYTHENE DRAINAGE TUBING

Muntz Plastics 'Landcoil' Polythene Land Drainage Tubing was primarily developed for draining agricultural land but, in recent years, it has been used quite extensively on sports grounds, tennis courts, etc and has an application on golf courses. The piping is supplied in black only.

'Landcoil' is a 2 in. diameter tube manufactured from polythene in coils 660 ft. long. The polythene from which it is made has been selected to give a tough tube which has a high crush resistance. At the same time, it is sufficiently flexible to allow it to be manufactured in easily handled coils.

In order to provide maximum water absorption, there are 16 rows of small slots running along the length of the tube. These slots are scientifically designed to prevent larger soil particles from entering the tube. Where it is necessary to make a joint between two lengths of 'Landcoil', or it is required to discharge through an outfall into a dyke, a slightly larger diameter tube is available to sleeve over the perforated tube.

'Landcoil' may be used with or without permeable fill, except that permeable fill must be used in all situations where it would be used with conventional materials.