

#### East Midland Section

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OUR Annual Dinner/Dance will be held at the Shakespeare Inn, Braunstone Lane, Leicester, on 15th November, 1975, at 7.30 p.m. Tickets £3.25 each. Would you please let me know as soon as possible how many tickets you require. Closing date 1st November, 1975.

A lecture by Chipman Ltd. will be held at Longcliffe Golf Club, Loughborough, on 4th November, 1975, at 7.30 p.m. prompt.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. I. Toon who have just had a baby son.

A quiz will be held at the Three Nuns Hotel, Loughborough, on 6th January, 1976, at 7.30 p.m. Also notify Mr. B. Mott seven days before quiz if you will be attending.

Captain's versus President's Team.

The above match was held at Longcliffe Golf Club on Wednesday, 4th June, 1975, where once again the Cup was won by the Captain's team. Our thanks to the Committee of Longcliffe Golf Club for the courtesy of the

# SECTION NEWS

### A nationwide round-up of news from the branches

course, and to the inside staff for an excellent meal, and to the outside staff for the excellent condition of the course.

We would like to welcome the following members to this section: D. P. Shorrock, 113 Greengate Lane, Birstall, Leics.; B. P. Harding, 3 Clear View Crescent, East Shilton, Leics.; J. M. Payne, 4 Bratmyr, Fleckney, Leics.; W. B. Overton, Park Farm House, 49 Hazel Road, Loughborough, Leics.; G. Hodges, 2 St. James Street, Stapleford, Notts.

#### North-West Section

Chairman: E. WALSH 46 Peasley Close, Logham, Padgate, Warrington. Hon. Secretary:
H. M. WALSH
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Breightmet,
Bolton, Lancs.

FURTHER dates for your diaries are Mr. L. Hewitt, Atco's Longton Branch, 12th January.

The February and March dates with speakers in the next issue of the Journal.

As stated in the previous issue the trip to Toros at Darlington will be on 4th December by coach. Picking-up points will be Moor Lane Bus Station, Bolton, approximate time at the moment 7 a.m.; Swinton Park G.C., time 7.30 a.m. People who wish to make this trip please let me have your names as soon as possible.

We welcome to the Section the following new members: J. P. Daley, Reddish Vale Golf Club, Reddish, Stockport, Cheshire; G. Brown, Leigh Golf Club, Kenyon, Warrington, Cheshire; D. Rimmer, Hesketh Golf Club, Southport, Lancs.

#### South Coast Section

Chairman: E. R. JAMES Hon. Secretary: Mrs. J. Stimson North Wilts, G.C. Devizes.

THE first of this Winter's programme of lectures will be held on Tuesday, 4th November, 1975, at 7 p.m. The Captain and Committee of Alresford Golf Club have kindly offered their clubhouse for our use once again and it is hoped that all members will be able to attend. Last year's programme was well supported and we hope to see you all present at Alresford again this Winter, whatever the weather! Our speaker will be Mr. John Field of Maxwell M. Hart (London) Ltd. and his topic will be "Golf Green Maintenance".

We welcome to the Section the following members and hope their association with us will be a long and happy one: E. Croft and S. Bury of Hayling Island Golf Club, and P. M. Packham, Department of the Environment (transferred from Southern Section).

#### Northern Section

Chairman:
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THE Invitation Tournament took place on Wednesday, the 23rd July, at the Wetherby Golf Club by courtesy of the Committee and members. The weather was mainly sunny with some showers, the food was excellent and the course was in first-class condition.

Prizewinners: 1st Prize, R. Johnson & Mr. N. Stead, Nett 56; 2nd Prize, E. Armitage & Mr. C. Auty, Nett 60; 3rd Prize, W. R. Skelton & Mr. M. Harper, Nett 63.

Guests included Mr. L. Plews, Captain Wetherby Golf Club, Mr. A. Edwards, President Wetherby Golf Club, and Mr. F. G. Tomlinson, Chairman Green Committee, Wetherby Golf Club.

The following Handicaps have been amended: R. Johnson, 18 to 14; P. Marshall. 20 to 17.

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members: D. Budimir, 1 North Dean, Keighley, West Yorks. (S.T.R.I.); D. Thompson, 8 St. Ives Grove, Harden, West Yorks. (S.T.R.I.); D. Moore, 4 Ruskin Avenue, Bradford, BD9 6EB (S.T.R.I.).

David Ward, Head Greenkeeper at Harrogate Golf Club, tells us that on 29th June someone caused extensive

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damage to his 3rd, 4th and 12th greens by pouring on some kind of chemical substance.

In addition—to support Dave's theory that this act was malicious and not a prank—15 out of 18 holes, newly cut for the Sunday competition, had also been tampered with. All plugs had been transferred from the old holes and expertly replaced in the new holes. Flags had then been stuck in the soil in the old holes. Someone with a grudge indeed!

The Section extends congratulations to Ilkley Golf Club assistant green-keeper, David Spurden, on his marriage to Louise on 2nd August. Mr. and Mrs. Spurden honeymooned in Wales and now live at Burley-in-Wharfdale.

Anyone willing to contribute news or items of interest for inclusion in the NORTHERN SECTION NEWS, please contact David Hannam at Bingley 5131.