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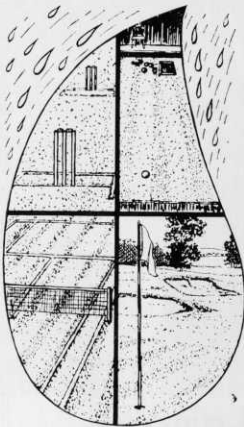
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Correction

The Open takes place at St Andrews and not at Royal Lytham and St Annes as stated in Hon. Secretary’s note. We wish to apologise for any inconvenience caused.



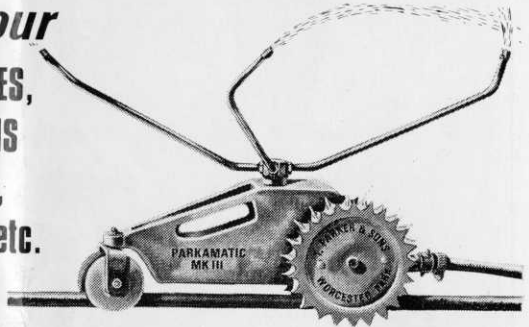
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A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting was held at the Stirling Castle Hotel on Wednesday, 27th May 1970. Mr J. Wallis-Arthur presided. The minutes of the last A.G.M. were read and the Secretary reported the balance once again in a sound financial position. They were adopted on a proposal by Mr Morton and seconded by Mr Rennie.

Election of Officers

The following were elected for the year:—President, Mr J. Wallis-Arthur; Vice-Presidents, (en bloc) Messrs D. M. Craig, F. W. Hawtree, G. P. Simpson, G. W. Worrell, J. Field, K. J. Hemmingway, F. Brittin, W. J. Holloway, P. A. Marshall, A. J. Bates, C. Diebel and C. J. Fowler.

Chairman, C. A. Moore; Vice-Chairman, E. W. Folkes; Committee—J. K. Glass, D. H. Major, D. Kirkpatrick, P. Moore, W. F. Machin, C. E. Ryan and D. S. Gould.

Executive Committee, E. W. Folkes.
Secretary and Treasurer, F. W. Ford.

Any other business

To accommodate the steady increase in the number of members attending our lectures it was decided to investigate the possibility of an alternate larger meeting place. Mr J. Wallis-Arthur promised to do the investigating.

The Secretary was asked to approach

Wanstead with a view to holding our 1971 Annual Dinner there.

Mr D. Craig quoting Ransomes, said that if the Southern Section were thinking of visiting Ipswich in the near future they would be most welcome.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Autumn Tournament

The Autumn Tournament will be played at Orsett Golf Club, Essex, on Wednesday, 9th September.

The closing date for entries is Monday, 24th August, and the draw will take place on the 25th.

Members wishing to play should write to me stating names, handicaps and club of themselves and partner and whether requiring a late start.

New Members

I should like to welcome to the Association the following new members:—J. W. Martin (Pyecombe), G. N. Brown (Manning Heath), V. Duffy (Upminster) and J. O. Toynbee of Flymo Ltd.

Congratulations to H. J. Knight who has been appointed Head Greenkeeper to the Gillingham Golf Club.

Welcome to G. A. Fillis who has joined our ranks from the East Midland Section.

Our best wishes for a long and happy retirement to H. Hughes of Cuddington, who has retired to the West Country.

SOUTH COAST

Chairman :
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By Tom Graham
Hon. Secretary:
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Venue for Meetings

Monthly meetings of the South Coast Section are to be held on the first Tuesday of each month commencing in October. The Ampfield Golf and Country Club will be our meeting place — the time 7 p.m.

Tournament

Entry forms are being circulated for the tournament at Hayling Island on 15th September.

New Members

We welcome to the Section the following new members, and old members transferred from the Southern Section and hope their association with us will be a long and happy one:—Messrs K. Chamberlain, W. M. Young, J. E. Cryer, F. Whetter, P. A. Marsh, J. Daniel, T. C. Patchin, R. J. Willey, R. J. Wicks, H. G. E. Underdown, B. Piggot, T. G. Renouf.

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By S. Fretter

Hon. Secretary:

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Chairman:
P. McCARRON

Annual Spring Tournament

The Annual Spring Tournament was held at Stanton on the Wolds Golf Club, by kind permission of the Committee on Wednesday, 13th May, 1970. The weather was glorious and the entry very good. Our thanks to the inside and outside staff and also to the professional for loaning us the trolleys. Also our thanks to the following for the prizes: J. Featherstone, Esq., M. Young, Esq., Chairman of Greens Committee Leicestershire Golf Club, H. Pattinson & Sons, Ransome Sims & Jefferies, Leicester Horticultural (Eng.) Ltd., A. J. E. Cook, Esq., G. Ruddle & Sons, Rigby Taylor Ltd., J. Player & Sons and Rutland Golf Alliance. Also our thanks to D. Whitehead for the buying of the prizes. Also to Mr Buckledee and Mr Vaughan for helping with the starting and cards.

The prize winners were as follows:—

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Highest Score

13th, K. J. Wood, Kirby Muxloe, 126 gross.

Visitors

1st, D. Baun, 66 nett; 2nd, M. Boucher, 70 nett; 3rd, M. Dobbs, 74 nett.

Vice-Presidents

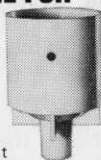
1st, R. E. Whitcombe, 78 nett; 2nd, A. J. E. Cook, 86 nett.

New Members

We wish to welcome the following new members and hope they will have a long stay with us: J. E. Durrands, Esq., "Lancescot," Willoughby Road, South Raucosby, Sleaford, Lincs.; C. J. Myers, Esq., 21 Goodwins Road, Kings Lynn, Norfolk; K. S. James, Esq., The Red Lion, Kegworth, Nr. Derby.

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Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held at The Anchor Inn, Hathern, on Wednesday, 22nd July, 1970, at 7.30 p.m. A good attendance would be appreciated.

SHEFFIELD

Chairman:
G. HERRINGTON
(Lindrick)

By H. Gillespie
Hon. Secretary:
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President's Prize

Thirty-one members gathered at Hallowes Golf Club on Tuesday, 19th May, 1970, for the President's Prize competition over 18 holes. The leading scorers were:—P. Leader (Hallowes) 33 pts., H. Herrington (Rotherham) 32 pts., A. Goldthorpe 31 pts., A. J. Baxby 31 pts., A. Wadkin 31 pts.

Thanks to our President, Mr A. Shardlow, for providing such an enjoyable meal and some beautiful prizes; our thanks also to the Captain and officials of the Hallows Golf Club for granting us the use of their course, etc., and to Jack Baxby and his staff for providing such a good course. Unfortunately, Jack was not feeling too well and could not play but we were pleased that he could join us afterwards. We were also pleased to see one of our retired members, B. Crookes, walking round the course during the afternoon and looking fit and well.

New Members

We welcome the following new members to the Section and hope they find our activities of interest. G. Crofts and A. Hunt (both Rotherham Golf Club) and W. Lister (Concord Park Golf Club).

NORTH-EAST

By G. Jeffries

Chairman:
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Hon. Secretary:
55 Brackenfield Road,
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S.T.R.I. Visit

On Wednesday, 13th May, 29 members of the North East Section made the coach journey to the S.T.R.I., Bingley. This was a very good turnout for the time of year and we were fortunate with the weather; it was a very warm and sunny day. After an enjoyable journey, we arrived at the Research Institute around 1.30 p.m. and were greeted by the Secretary, Mr B. M. Wood, who kindly introduced our party to Mr Sheldrick and Mr Clayton, Senior Advisor, who showed us round the grounds.

Mr Sheldrick and Mr Clayton both gave very interesting talks on the various grasses and fertilisers being used on these plots.

Questions were asked by our members and answered most adequately by these very able men. After a two hour tour of the station, our Chairman, Mr J. Simpson, thanked Mr Sheldrick and Mr Clayton for giving us so much of their valuable time, and he was sure that we were all leaving the Institute having gained more knowledge from our visit. After tea and sandwiches we climbed on board the coach for our return journey. Inevitably the usual refreshments were had on arrival at a convenient hotel, and I am sure that everyone was in agreement that this was the end of a perfect day. Of course we all eventually arrived back at our starting point!

Autumn Tournament

Our Autumn Tournament will be held on Thursday, 10th September, at the Boldon Golf Club, by kind permission of their Captain and Committee.

NORTHERN

By J. Parker

Chairman:
A. ROBERTSHAW

Hon. Secretary:
8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden,
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Handicaps

The following changes of handicaps have been made: D. Storey 11 to 8, D. Ward 13 to 9, J. E. Storey 24 to 22, C. Garnett 20 to 18, C. Geddes 17 to 15, A. Burge 22 to 20, J. Readhead 16 to 17.

Headquarters Sweep

Members are reminded that the closing date for the return of counterfoils and monies for the draw on the Dunlop Masters Tournament is Monday, 27th July. It is hoped that every effort will be made to make the draw a success.

New Members

We welcome to the section the following new member: Mr K. Gallagher, 7 Temple Walk, Holton, Whitkirk, Leeds 15.

Spring Tournament

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