our thanks are due to the clubs concerned for their generous assistance towards the cost of these visits.

## Sports Turf Research Institute

Once again we would like to thank the Sports Turf Research Institute for their continued help and co-operation in every way when the occasion demands.

## In Memoriam

We record with sorrow the death of the following members announced in the "British Golf Greenkeeper" since our last report:-
J. Coates, Northern Section; A. Routledge, Northern Section (committee member); B. Battrick, Southern Section; J. R. Borthwick, North-East Section; G. Kendall, Northern Section
(founder member and past Association chairman).

We are indebted to the following who have kindly contributed to our Prize Fund:-
C. Bretherton, Esq.; Gordon Wright, Esq.; I. G. Nicholls, Esq.; The "News of the World"; The Sports Turf Research Institute; The Professional Golfers' Association; The Artisan Golfers' Association; The Golf Ball Manufacturers' Conference; The British Motor Corporation Ltd.; " Golf Illustrated"; Messrs Berk Ltd.; The Cannock Agricultural Co. Ltd.; Messrs Carter's Tested Seeds Ltd.; Messrs R. C. Craig \& Co. Ltd.; Messrs Flymo Ltd.; Messrs J. T. Goudie \& Co.; Messrs Maxwell M. Hart Ltd; Messrs Mays Chemical Manure Co. Ltd.; Messrs May \& Baker Ltd.; Messrs T. Parker \& Sons; Messrs H. Pattison \& Co. Ltd.; Messrs Ransomes, Sims \& Jefferies Ltd.; Messrs Relf \& Kendall; Messrs Stewart \& Co. Seedsmen Ltd.; Messrs Sutton \& Sons Ltd.; Messrs Allan Taylor (Engineers) Ltd.; Messrs Universal Mat Co. Ltd.

## TOURNAMENT WINNERS

The S.T.R.I. Cup, 18 holes Stableford:
1st Prize (S.T.R.I. Cup and linen), G. Woodward, 36 points;
2nd Prize (Hargreaves Cup and 21-piece tea set), G. S. Payne, 36 points;
3rd Prize (clock), W. Barton, 35 points;
4th Prize (kitchen set), C. Martin, 35 points.
News of the World Cup, 36 holes Scratch:
1st Prize (transistor radio), W. Woods, 143 Grs.

The Artisan Medal, 18 holes Medal:
( $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. golf balls), I. F. Scoones, 67.
Jubilee Cup Inter-Section, 36 holes Medal:
(3 tankards), Midland Section, 428.
"Coming of Age" Cup (60 years and over), 18 holes Medal:
1st Prize (table lamp), W. Barton, 71. (travelling rug), S. W. Light, 73.
Senior Division, 36 holes Medal:
1st Prize (Ransomes Cup and wrist watch), M. Barrett, 136.
2nd Prize (Golf Illustrated Cup, and suit case), I. F. Scoones, 139.
3rd Prize ("Universal" Cup and golf bag), G. S. Payne, 141.
4th Prize (garden chair), D. Roberts, 141.
5th Prize (holdall case), W. G. Marnoch, 141.

6th Prize (steak knives), E. Ainsworth, 143.

7th Prize (1 doz. golf balls), J. W. Kirkpatrick, 143.
8th Prize (Pyrex coffee jug and cups), E. R. West, 143.

9th Prize (cigarette case and cuff links), R. Whitehead, 144.

Junior Division (12 to 24):
1st Prize (" Pattison" Trophy and wrist watch), J. H. Readhead, 138.
2nd Prize (President's Cup and $\frac{1}{2}$ doz. cut glass whiskey glasses), H. Herrington, 142.

3rd Prize (" May's" Cup and golf bag), S. Kilby, 142.

4th Prize (cut glass sugar and cream jug), R. Lewis, 142.

5th Prize (steak knives and forks), D. Sellers, 143.
6th Prize (travelling case), R. N. Maltby, 143.

7th Prize (Worcester beer mug), P. Whitehead, 144.
8th Prize (cigarette case and cuff links), P. Fitzjohn, 148.

The "Allan Taylor" Cup, 18 holes Medal:
1st Prize ("Allan Taylor" Cup and canteen of cutlery), M. Barrett, 65.
2nd Prize (Verdone Cup and clock), E. R. James, 66.
3rd Prize (Stowaway tea set), E. R. West, 66.

4th Prize (table mats), C. Martin, 67.

## The British Golf Greenkeepers' Association

Minutes of the 53rd Annual General Meeting held at the Filey Golf Club on Monday, 17th August 1970, at 3 p.m.

The Association Chairman opened the Meeting at which there were approximately 60 members present and invited Mr Carl Bretherton to occupy the Chair. Mr Bretherton thanked the Chairman and expressed his willingness to conduct the Meeting.

## The Minutes of the last A.G.M.

The Chairman suggested that as these had been printed in the Association Journal, he thought that the Meeting would probably like to consider them as read, which suggestion was accepted.

## Annual Report

The Hon. Secretary read the Annual Report and its adoption was proposed by Mr Herrington and seconded by Mr Dixon.

## Financial Report

Copies of the annual accounts had been posted in the clubhouse and further copies were handed round at the Meeting. The Treasurer advised that the Auditors had apologised for having made an error in last year's figures with reference to the Benevolent Fund. In calculating the Loss on Sale of the Investments last year, incorrect figures were used for the cost of the Investments Sold and as a result, the Balance of the Benevolent Fund and the Balance of the Costs of Investments retained were both overstated by £256. Adjustments have, however, been made and shown in the Balance Sheet. It was proposed by Mr Robertshaw and seconded by Mr Payne that the accounts be adopted. Carried unanimously.

## Executive Committee Report

The Tournament Sub-Committee elected at the Executive Meeting were

Messrs. Fry, Robertshaw, Herrington, Walsh and Folkes. Three to form a quorum.
The Secretary advised the Meeting that the 1971 tournament had been arranged to take place at Hollinwell Golf Club by the East Midlands Section and he had himself been in contact with the Club who had expressed their willingness to entertain the Association during August next year and final details would be agreed later. There were several objections immediately raised to the venue for 1971 as it was not a seaside course and several members made strong protest. The Secretary advised the Meeting that this question of seaside courses and inland courses was always arising at meetings and he felt it was time that a definite decision should be taken with a view to future arrangements to avoid this continued dissatisfaction among certain members.

After considerable discussion, the following proposal was put to the Meeting:
"That the section asked to run the Tournament should be given full authority to find a venue which would not be disputed but that the section should also be advised that whenever possible a seaside course would be preferred."

An amendment to this proposal was made:
"That if a section could not find a seaside course, another section should be asked to take over the arrangements for the Annual Tournament."

This amendment was put to the vote and carried with a majority of 21-17.

The question then arose as to whether the tournament for 1971 should be held at Hollinwell as the Club had already agreed to accept the Association and the Secretary felt that it would be very discourteous and harmful to the Association in general if it withdrew its request after having the courtesy of the Club extended to them.

After considerable further discussion, this matter was again put to the vote as to whether next year's tournament should take place at Hollinwell and it was agreed that it should by a majority of 33-6.

## Election of Officers

## President

At the unanimous request of the Meeting, Mr Carl Bretherton was re-elected President of the Association. Mr Bretherton thanked the Meeting and said he would be very pleased to accept this office for 1970/1971.

## Vice-Presidents

Following the request of the A.G.M in 1970 that the names of Mr Phillip Marshall and Mr William Payne, representatives of Messrs. Ransomes, Sims \& Jefferies, should be added to the Association's list of Vice-Presidents, it was proposed that these two gentlemen's names should be added to the existing list of Vice-Presidents as listed in the Association's Journal. This was carried unanimously.

## Chairman

It was proposed by Mr Lewis and seconded by Mr Herrington that Mr A. Robertshaw should be elected Chairman of the Association in succession to Mr Fry. This proposition was carried unanimously.

Mr Fry then rose and invited Mr Robertshaw to occupy his chair and wished him every success in his new office. He then thanked the President and his Committee and all members present for their support during his year which he had enjoyed and trusted that he had been a satisfactory representative in the view of the members.

Mr Robertshaw then expressed his appreciation and the honour bestowed upon him at being elected as Chairman and sincerely trusted that he would be able to carry out his duties to the satisfaction of everybody and thereupon presented Mr Fry with a tankard in recognition and appreciation of his services during 1969/1970.

## Vice-Chairman

The Hon. Secretary reported that he had as yet been unable to obtain a nomination from the East Midlands Section but as soon as this was avail-
able, he would notify the members through the Journal.

## Secretary and Treasurer

It was proposed by Mr Walsh and seconded by Mr Fry that Mr C. H. Dix should be re-elected Secretary and Treasurer. This was carried unanimously and Mr Dix thanked the members and expressed his willingness to continue his office this year.

## Executive Committee

It was proposed by Mr Cashmore and seconded by Mr Dixon that the Executive Committee should be elected as nominated by Sections. Carried.

## Hon. Auditors

It was proposed by Mr Herrington and seconded by Mr Ford that Messrs Smallfield, Rawlins and Co. be reelected as Hon. Auditors for 1970/1971. Carried.

## Hon. Solicitor

The Hon. Secretary informed the Meeting that Mr R. A. Beck, who had represented the Association as Hon. Solicitor, had unfortunately died last year.

Thanks to the good offices of Mr F. W. Hawtree, Mr H. Dowding had kindly offered to represent the Association in this capacity. Appreciation of Mr Hawtree's efforts in obtaining a successor to Mr Beck were expressed and the proposal was carried unanimously.

## Any Other Business

After experiencing the difficulty of starting at the 7th tee on the morning competition, the Meeting agreed that for Tuesday and Wednesday, the starting would revert to the 1st and 10th tees and that play would be from the back tees yellow markers.

There being nothing further to discuss, the Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair by Mr G . Herrington.

## Major Move To Centralise Works By Ransomes

As part of the long term planning policy of Ransomes Sims \& Jefferies Limited to centralise all their activities on their Nacton site, the Company have announced the following relocations. Production from Ransomes Grass Machinery Works at Fore Hamlet, Ipswich, will be transferred progressively to Nacton during 1971. Ransomes Stanton Works, near Bury St. Edmunds (formerly Catchpole Engineering Company), will also be closed and its production moved to existing Company premises by 31st December 1970.

Due to redeployment and natural wastage of labour within the Company, it is not anticipated that the move from the Fore Hamlet site will result in redundancies. However, due to the location of the Stanton Works, some redundancies are inevitable and these will be treated in accordance with the requirements of the 1965 Redundancy Act. Every assistance will be given by Ransomes Personnel staff in co-operation with the Department of Employment and Productivity to find alternative employment for those affected.

Ransomes centralisation of their activities on the Nacton site will lead to greater efficiency and economy of production, simplify communications and improve working conditions.

## RENEWED PRODUCTION FOR ROTARY SIFTER

In response to extensive demand, H. Pattisson and Company Limited, of Stanmore, have recently renewed production of their Rotary Sifter for screening ashes, topsoil, compost, etc.

Powered by the Norton Villiers F15 four-stroke engine, the Pattisson Sifter has a 6 ft . x 3 ft . diameter drum and is equipped with a special safety clutch which prevents damage to the machine in the event of overloading.

The Sifter can happily keep pace with loading by a two-man team and the screened product can be delivered into wheelbarrows below the drum. The steel-framed machine is mobile and is fitted with tyred wheels and a tractor draw bar.

British turf maintenance and golf course equipment ranks among the world's best and export orders feature regularly for Pattisson's specialist equipment. Among recent overseas sales of the very popular self-propelled Turf Piercer was one to Fiji and another delivered to an Italian golf club.

The piercer, which uses a Villiers F15 power unit, cuts out the "hard labour" of hand-drawn machines and its 30 -inch wide cylinder carries 72 spikes. Wheel spin is completely eliminated due to propulsion being on the tines. Pattisson's provide a range of ancillary equipment for their piercer covering a variety of functions of turf maintenance.

## TELEGRAM

## To: ADRIAN ROBERTSHAW, FILEY GOLF CLUB, FILEY.

Congratulations and successful year in your office from Captain and Members of Ilkley Golf Club.

Our new Chairman obviously has the support of his home club. This telegram arrived at Filey Golf Club where he was elected for 1970/1971. We all join in wishing him a happy and successful year.

## MOTSPUR PARK EXHIBITION

Charles H. Pugh Limited will be exhibiting four new machines which were introduced during this selling season and comprise a 20 -inch Heavy Duty, a 20 -inch Special for Superfine mowing, a 24 -inch Riding Mower and the 30 -inch Garden Model. The latter two are offered either as pedestrian models or as riding mowers fitted with the unique Atco Auto Steer Seat.

The power units fitted provide power to spare for long periods due to extra long life specification. A built-in decompressor reduces starting effort to a minimum and instantly adjustable tubular handles provide good control at all times. The main controls come readily to hand on the handles and extensive use of ball bearings throughout reduces maintenance to a minimum.

A lever mounted behind the chain case declutches the cutters which enables the machine to be operated with the cutters stationary and twin ball races in the main clutch operating mechanism provides drag-free pullback.

The 20 -inch Heavy Duty, 20-inch Special and 24 -inch models are fitted with two-sectioned rear rollers, each section independently driven, while the 30 -inch Garden Model is fitted with a three-section rear roller and full differential. To ensure good traction the rear roller units for the 24 -inch and 30-inch Garden Model are rubber covered and fluted to increase grip. The front roller in each case is made of one-piece metal and runs on greasepacked cup and cone ball-races.
The Golf Green Special will still enjoy the features which make it a Special for Superfine mowing, that is to say, the 12 -bladed cutter providing 135 cuts per yard power operated transport wheels, of new design, and a Comb-It rake which is offered as an optional extra.
Prices: 20 -inch H.D. £101 10s.; 20 -inch Special £117 10s. (Comb-It rake $£ 410$ s. extra), 24 -inch Pedestrian Model £116, 24-inch Riding Mower fitted with Auto Steer Seat $£ 143$ 10s., 30 -inch Pedestrian Model $£ 140,30$-inch Riding Mower fitted with Auto Steer Seat $£ 167$ 10s.

NEW 15FT. TORO PARKMASTER CUTS TIME AND MOWING COSTS

The latest addition to the Flymo Institutional range of high work rate mowing machinery is the Toro Parkmaster.

The Parkmaster is a powerful combination of a purpose-built tractor with 79 h.p. six-cylinder petrol engine and either five-gang mowers (11ft.) or seven-gang mowers (15ft.)-hydraulically raised or lowered from the operator's seat.

Capacity at eight miles an hour is almost 100 acres per day.

The Parkmaster, making its exhibition debut at the Motspur Park display of equipment organised by the National Institute of Groundsmen on September 15,16 and 17 , is claimed to reduce normal grass maintenance costs by 50 per cent. with low maintenance charges on large grass areas of parks, playing fields, motorway verges and golf courses. The machine will also be seen at Meyrick Park, Bournemouth, during the annual conference of the Institute of Parks Administration on September 22 and 23.
The Parkmaster has a choice of either Spartan six-blade units with 30 in . $\times 8 \frac{1}{4}$ in. diameter cutting cylinders for formal areas, or Roughmaster fourblade units with 30 in . x 10 in . diameter cutting cylinders for areas less frequently maintained.
The hydraulic system enables each cutting unit to be raised or lowered by a simple push of a lever at the operator's elbow to vary cutting widths from 30 in . to 15 ft . and to raise units completely for transport.

Road speed is the maximum permitted of $20 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{h}$. to reduce lost cutting time travelling between sites. The tractor has four cutting speeds and reverse to suit requirements of any terrain.

The Parkmaster has hydraulic brakes and a turning radius of only 7 ft . 3in. and can operate on steep slopes because of the facility for re-distributing the weight by lifting the outboard units on the slopes.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Sir,
I would like to take this opportunity to express my views on the apparent lack of educational facilities for golf greenkeepers.

Why, since 1912, has no structure of education and examination designed for the enlightenment and qualification of students of greenkeeping been evolved by the B.G.G.A.

It is true that there exists an apprenticeship scheme and week-long block lectures at the S.T.R.I., but these factors, although of some merit, are hopelessly inadequate. As for the St. Ives courses, well, they are fine but all too swift and indigestible with no real results. The training of an accomplished apprentice depends solely upon his head greenkeeper who might view his potential prodigy's well-being with jealousy and apathy.

Apart from a greatly enchanced future, it would be far more interesting and rewarding for the apprentice to work for and attain a set level of requirements in both theoretical and practical aspects of golf course management.

Tell me, is greenkeeping to remain a semi-obscure profession confined to the peasants of the field ? For this I am sure is the impression of the majority.

Finally, in desperation, I ask you, if possible, to acquaint me with any N.A.G. examination courses in my immediate area, or better still nationwide, for the benefit of other frustrated assistants.

> Yours faithfully,
> D. C. HANNAN, Ilkley Golf Club.

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## News



# from the Sections 

## NORTH-WEST

Chairman:<br>T. Brennan

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

## Autumn Tournament

As stated in last month's journal our Autumn Tournament will be held on the Swinton Park Golf Club course, East Lancs Road, Swinton, near Manchester. Will all members who will be there please let me know so that I can complete catering arrangements. As usual it will be a 27 hole competition, 9 holes in the morning and 18 in the afternoon. Please get there as early as possible. Tee off from 9.15 a.m. Visitors will play an 18 hole competition in the after-noon-one visitor per member, please.

## Winter Lectures

Not having completed my list of speakers for this Winter Series of talks I will first remind members that the first talk will be given by Mr H . Ratcliff, of Rigby Taylor Ltd., on Monday, 26th October - venue Brunswick Hotel, Piccadilly, Manchester, at 7.30 p.m.

## Annual Trip

Also to remind members that the annual trip this year will be to ATCO, Birmingham Works, by coach from Manchester, on 10 th November. Please let me have your names.

## New Member

We welcome to the section the following new member and hope his association with the section will be a happy one: R. A. Atkin, St. Annes Old Links Golf Club, St. Annes, Lancs.

## MIDLAND

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

## Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting took place in the Clubhouse of the Habberley Golf Club on Monday, July 20th 1970, with 34 members in attendance.

The Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting were read and passed.

The Treasurer's and Secretary's Report were passed.

Mr Bretherton was unanimously re-elected as President.

The Vice-Presidents were re-elected en bloc, with the addition of Mr Neil Prior and Mr Peter Wyatt.
G. Hart was re-elected Chairman.
R. Goodwin was re-elected Secretary and Representative to the Executive Committee.
F. Cashmore was re-elected Treasurer and Assistant Secretary.

Mr. K. Sargeson and Mr E. Ballinger were re-elected Honorary Auditors with a hearty vote of thanks for their valuable work over the past years.

The following were elected to form a Committee for the coming year:-A. Boffy, A. Boraston, L. Greenow, G. Smith, R. Smith, V. Smith and A. Stephens.

The following proposals were passed:-

1. The Premium Bonds owned by the Section, to the value of $£ 80$, should be cashed and deposited in a Bank Account.
2. The Annual Dinner should be dropped from this year's Fixtures.
3. The Fixture List for $1970 / 71$ should be drawn up in good time.

The Meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to G. Hart for conducting the proceedings.

## A.G.M. Summer Tournament

This event took place over 18 holes at the Habberley Golf Club on Monday, July 20th.

On a perfect day for golf, and the course in excellent condition, some very fine scores were achieved.

Most notable of these were from our older members.

Ernie Benlow with a 72 gross and G. Hart with 73 gross were averaging little more than a stroke for each year of age, while 17 years old Trevor Morris returned a nett score of 65 off handicap 15.

New member Walter Drewitt, off handicap 3, had a good round of 73 gross.

Best gross, E. Benbow 72, Summer Cup and carpet; 1st nett, T. Morris 65, A.G.M. Cup and carpet; 2nd, G. Hart 65, carpet; 3rd, A. Boffy 69, carpet; 4th, G. Smith 69, cigarette lighter; 5th, D. Haynes 69 , bottle Scotch whisky; 6th, A. Boraston 70, bottle Scotch whisky; 7th, W. Drewitt 70, bottle

Scotch whisky; 8th, W. Barton 70, sports shirt; 9th, J. Bevan 70, set of carvers; 10th, V. Smith 70, glasses; 11th, R. Pullen 71, garden chair; 12th, R. Goodwin 71, half bottle Scotch whisky; 13th, T. Jones 73, half bottle Scotch whisky; 14th, E. V. Thomas 73, half bottle Scotch whisky; 15 th, R. Smith 74 , bottle sherry; 16th, J. Grealy 75, bottle sherry; 17th, H. Drewitt 75, bottle sherry; 18th, A. Cutler 75, half bottle gin; 19th, W. Boyce 76, half bottle gin; 20th, Tony Cutler 78, half bottle gin.

The prizes were presented by Mr Stephens, the President of the Habberley Golf Club, who said how pleased he was to see so many Greenkeepers and hoped that everyone had enjoyed their day at Habberley.

George Hart, the Section Chairman, thanked Mr Stephens for presenting the prizes and said how Greenkeepers always enjoyed playing at the Habberley Golf Club. He also thanked the Captain and Directors for giving these magnificent prizes to the Greenkeepers and the warm hospitality of the Habberley Golf Club to the Members of the Midland Greenkeepers.

He also paid tribute to John Grealy who had the course in excellent condition, and Mrs Grealy and the ladies who looked after us so well in the dining room, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Darby and Mrs Davies.

We were also pleased to have with us during the day Mr R. A. Pratt, Chairman of the Green Committee, and fellow Director Mr W. E. Robinson.

Mr Peter Wyatt, Frank Cashmore and Les Greenow once again did a fine job of officiating over the Tournament which has proved to be a most popular event.

I would like to add my personal thanks to Mr Bradley, Secretary of Habberley Golf Club, and everyone who helped to arrange the Tournament.

## Autumn Lecture

A lecture and discussion on the Upkeep of Fine Turfs will take place at the Clubhouse of the Handsworth Golf Club on Monday afternoon, October 19th, from 2.00 p.m. until 5.00 p.m. by kind permission of the Captain and Committee of the Handsworth Golf Club.

Please make every effort to come along to this event as I would like maximum support. Bring along your Chairman of Green Committee who will find it interesting and well worth while.

## New Member

We welcome to the Section William Lewis, First Assistant to the Walmley Golf Club.

## NORTH-EAST

|  | By G. Jeffries |
| :--- | :---: |
| Chairman: | Hon. Secretary: |
| J. Simpson | 55 Brackenfield Road, |
|  | Framwell Gate Moor, Durham. |

## Congratulations

I am sure all members of the section will
join me in congratulating Jimmy Anderson, assistant to Roger Derham, on completing 25 years' service with South Shields Golf Club. As a token of his popularity the members have presented him with a gold watch. Well done, Jim, may you drop many more Jackpots.

## Subscriptions

These are now due, and I would like those members who have not yet paid to please let me have theirs as soon as possible, and not wait until near the end of the financial year.

## New Member

We welcome to the section Mr D. Cooper, Head Greenkeeper of Wickham Golf Club, and hope his association with the section will be a long and happy one.

## NORTHERN

Chairman:<br>A. Robertshaw

By J. Parker<br>8 Goit Stock Terr., Harden, Bingley, Yorks.

## Sheffield Match

Members are reminded that the closing date for acceptance of invitation to play in the Annual Match v. Sheffield Section, at the Rotherham Golf Club (Thryburgh) on Tuesday, 29th September, is Monday, 21st September.

## Autumn Tournament

The Annual Autumn Tournament of the Section will be played over the course of the Wetherby Golf Club on Thursday, 15th October (by courtesy of the Club Committee). Closing date for entries is Thursday, 8th October.

Chairman:
G. Herrington (Lindrick)

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

## Annual Tournament

The Annual Tournament held at Lincoln Golf Club on Wednesday, 8th July, was restricted to 18 holes due to a heavy thunderstorm causing the cancellation of the morning round.

Twenty-nine members played in the very much improved afternoon conditions, and although the course had suffered from the prolonged heatwave the greens were in excellent condition, thanks to the labours of Eddie Ainsworth and his staff.

The leading scorers were:-J. Walker (Doncaster Town Moor) 78 gross, 73 net;
C. Chappell (Phoenix) 75 net; D. Thompson (Lees Hall) 76 net; A. Wadkin (Lees Hall) 76 net. The visitors' prize winner was Mr S. K. Arnold 76 net.

The prizes were presented by the Captain of Lincoln Golf Club, Mr Forster Wood, and we thank him and the club officials for allowing us to visit Lincoln.

We thank the following members of the trade and individuals who contributed to the prize fund:-Messrs Sutton Seeds, Pattissons, Ransomes, Stewart, Rigby Taylors, May \& Baker, Cannock, Flymo, S.A.I., Lindsey \& Kesteven, ATCO, Mr W. Mountain, Fearnco Ltd., Mr B. Elliott, Mr E. W. Park, Mr A. Sharlow and Mr R. Jennings.

We also thank Mr E. Goddard and Mr F. Hoyland of Fearnco Ltd. for the collection of monies and score cards, also the club professional, Mr R. Jennings, for the troy cars and his usual cordial welcome.

## "Steel City" Pro/Am

A team from this section, sponsored by our President, Mr A. Shardlow, was entered in the "Steel City" Pro/Am Tournament at the Hillsborough Golf Club on 22nd July. A. Spencer, R. N. Maltby and J. Walker accompanied by Tinsley Park Professional, G. Broster, whilst not among the winners had a very enjoyable day.

## New Members

We welcome the following new mem-bers:-H. Pearson (Hallowes G.C.), D. Bennett and T. Smith (Abbeydale G.C.).

## EAST MIDLAND

Chatrman:
J. CARRICK

By S. Fretter
Hon. Secretary:
4 Queens Drive.
Leicester Forest East, Leicester.

## New Members

I would like to welcome to this section the following new members:

Greenkeepers-M. J. Lake, Esq., 2 Council Houses, Hanging, Houghton, Northants.; G. A. Pollard, Esq., 67 Sunbury Green, Thurnby Lodge, Leics.; G. Bratt, Esq., 8 Elizabeth Drive, Thurmaston, Leics.; L. Bowley, Esq., Warwick Avenue, Quorn, Leics.; N. Millington, Esq., 7 Castle Hill, East Leake, Notts.; T. Porter, Esq., 76 Trafalgar Road, Beeston, Notts.

Vice-President-J. G. Reeve, Esq., Tethers End, Rose Grove, Plumtree, Notts.

## Autumn Tournament

The Annual Autumn Tournament will be held at Glen Gorse Golf Club, Oadby, on the 7 th October 1970. First tee 12.30 p.m. Will all members wishing to play and require a meal please notify me by the 2nd October 1970. The number of the road the Glen Gorse Golf Club is on is the A6 and the

(No wonder-the showrooms are packed with top-name machinery)

See us on Stand No. 1, Avenue F, at the International Sportsground, Machinery and Equipment Exhibition, Motspur Park, Sept. 15, 16, 17.

course is four miles out of Leicester on the road to Market Harborough.

## Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was held at the Anchor Inn, Hathern, on Wednesday, 22nd July 1970. With a good attendance the following were elected:-President, Mr A. J. E. Cook; Vice-Presidents were elected en bloc; Secretary, Mr S. Fretter; Treasurer, Mr A. Thornton; Chairman, Mr J. Carrick; Vice-Chairman, Mr G. Darby; CommitteeMessrs J. Carrick, G. Darby, S. Fretter,
A. Thornton, G. Arnold, P. McCarron, B. Mott, R. O'Hara, C. E. Fillis, D. Whitehead.


By S. A. Tucker
Hon. Secretary:
36 Clase Road, Morriston, Swansea, Glam.

## Autumn Meeting

Please let me have your entry for the Autumn Meeting at the Longlands Bay Golf Club, on 23rd September, as soon as you read these notes. I must have your entry to give me a clear view of how many will be attending so that I can arrange for the catering etc. Please do your little bit to help me.

## Subscriptions

There are still a few who have not yet paid their subs. Please send to Mr Geddes right away as they are now well overdue. If they are not received I shall have to cancel your Journals as it is costing the Section quite a sum in stamps etc., writing to you, so please do this to save the costs. Mr Geddes address is 23 Fenton Place, Porthcawl, Glam.

## Annual Draw

We are a few pounds up on last year and I thank you all for doing your bit towards this increase. I must congratulate T. E. Lloyd on his effort. Again he sold for us 120 books. A wonderful effort, Tom, and thank you very much.

## SOUTHERN

## Chairman: J. K. Glass (Thorpe Hall)

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

## October Lecture

This will be our usual get together Quiz with an appointed Quiz Master in charge and if he cannot answer your questions he will throw them over to the meeting. So, gentlemen, come in large numbers with plenty of questions.

If you have a greenkeeping problem this is a great opportunity to have it discussed. Wednesday at 6.30 p.m. on 7th October at
the Stirling Castle Hotel, London Wall, Moorgate.

Other lectures arranged are Wednesday, 4th November - Bingley Research Station Speaker and subject in next Journal.

Wednesday, 2nd December - H. Pattisson \& Co. Ltd., with Mr Peter Wyatt, the subject being "Aeration and Drainage".

## New Members

A warm welcome to the following new members:-J. S. Barr (Camberley), R. W. Lance (Effingham), P. Grindley (Ifield), and Paul Thomas of Fisons.

## Best Wishes

For a long and happy retirement to Mr H. G. Dixon who has retired from his post as Head Greenkeeper at Crews Hill Golf Club. Bert has also relinquished his committee duties which he has fulfilled so well, so loyally and for so long. We shall all miss you at the committee meetings, Bert.

Best Wishes to G. T. Atfield who is also retiring this year.

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