

**1971**  
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HOLLINWELL GOLF CLUB  
NOTTS.

**23rd, 24th, 25th AUGUST**

# Programme

**23rd am** 18 Hole Stapleford Competition

**pm** Annual General Meeting

**24th** 36 Hole Scratch Cup & Prize

36 Hole Senior Division Handicap

36 Hole Junior Division Handicap

18 Hole Coming of Age Cup

**25th am** 18 Hole Medal Competition

**pm** Prize Presentation

# ENTRY FORM

(Block letters Please)

Name .....

Address .....

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Club ..... S.S.S. ....

Section .....

Handicap .....

Tick Box if eligible for  **Coming of Age Cup**  
(Age 60 and over)

Tick Box if an Artisan Member

Tick Box if requiring Caddy Car

**Entries close 30th June 1971**

Conditions & Draw Sheets will be sent to  
all entrants

Send this entry form before 30th June to:

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C. H. Dix, Esq.,  
Hon. Secretary,  
British Golf Greenkeepers' Association,  
Addington Court Golf Club,  
Featherbed Lane,  
Addington,  
Croydon CR0 9AA

## CORRESPONDENCE

7 Houghton Road,  
Shifnal,  
Shropshire.  
TF11 8DD.  
24th April 1971

Dear Sir,

Once again our tees have come through the winter looking even more pathetic than they did last year when we had a comparatively harsher winter. I hate to think what they might be like after next winter.

For some time now I've campaigned for larger tees on our course which is built on very heavy clay soil with poor natural drainage. At the moment the gents' tees measure one hundred square yards for the actual playing area. I maintain that the tees should be very much larger on our type of course; a playing area of *not less than two hundred square yards* for the gents' tees.

I certainly think that if our tees are to come through the winter in a far healthier condition it is essential to enlarge them.

What do other members of the Greenkeepers' Association, especially those who work on courses like this, consider a reasonable size for tees?

Yours faithfully,

R. J. Lane.

Current specifications for new golf courses call for 350 sq.yards teeing area at par-4 and par-5 and 450 sq. yards at par-3 holes. Where contours are suitable, one single tee 35 or 45 yards by 10 yards provides maximum use and minimum upkeep but a formation of this type may not be suitable at a 525 yards par-5 hole, for example, where ladies would still be playing the hole at around 500 yards: nor where the tee is on a severe slope so that one single tee would involve massive earth works.

One difficulty is that tees cost about £1 per sq. yard to construct if the soil is properly ameliorated. Thus 18 holes at 100 sq. yards cost £1,800 for tees; 18 holes at 350 sq. yards to 450 sq. yards cost £6,700. There is naturally a tendency to postpone the additional teeing area if money is short; but this takes up valuable maintenance time and cannot be done quickly.

To show how small single tees waste useful space calculate the loss of 1 foot round the edges of a tee 10 yards by 10 yards. It amounts to 13 per cent. Lose 2 feet all round and it amounts to 25 per cent.

EDITOR.

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## SITUATIONS VACANT

### ROTHLEY PARK GOLF CLUB

#### HEAD GREENKEEPER REQUIRED

Applicants must be fully experienced in all branches of Green-keeping and able to control and organise staff.

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Potters Bar Golf Club  
Darkes Lane, Potters Bar  
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Tel. No. Potters Bar 52020

*LEE VALLEY REGIONAL PARK AUTHORITY*

**Picketts Lock Golf Course  
Enfield, Middlesex**

Applications are invited for the undermentioned posts in connection with the maintenance of the new 18-hole, par three golf course:—

- (a) **HEAD GREENKEEPER** (£1,188 - £1,296 per annum).  
Possibility of housing accommodation according to circumstances.
- (b) **TWO ASSISTANT GREENKEEPERS** (wage rate £20.50 per week inclusive of bonus for good work.  
Possibility of some overtime.

Applicants for post (a) should have good practical knowledge of turf maintenance and green keeping.

Conditions of service similar to those of Local Government generally, including superannuation.

Applications giving details of age, experience, previous appointments and naming of referees should reach the undersigned not later than 20th May 1971.

Myddelton House,  
Bulls Cross, Enfield,  
Middlesex.

H. C. WILKINSON,  
Solicitor and Secretary,

## SITUATIONS VACANT

### BOROUGH OF NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME

#### PARKS AND CEMETERIES DEPARTMENT

##### HEAD GREENKEEPER

Applications are invited from fully qualified and capable Greenkeepers for the above post. The successful applicant will be in charge of the direct labour forces engaged in the layout of a new 18 hole golf course.

This is a challenging new post and only applications from keen and interested persons are required.

The salary is in Miscellaneous Grade 6 (£1,188-£1,296). Housing accommodation available.

Applications by letter to the Director of Parks and Cemeteries, Civic Offices, Merrial Street, Newcastle, Staffs., (telephone Newcastle, Staffs. 60161, extension 280) stating age, details of previous experience, and the names and addresses of two referees, must be received not later than 31st May, 1971.

C. J. MORTON,  
Town Clerk.

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#### WESTPORT GOLF CLUB

##### Greenkeeper

A new championship golf course at Westport will be completed in June 1971. The climate is mild, the scenery spectacular. Greenkeepers with experience wishing to take full charge of maintenance are invited to write to the Hon. Secretary, Westport Golf Club, Westport, Co. Mayo. A greenkeeper's flat will be provided in the clubhouse. State salary required and brief personal history.

#### THREE RIVERS GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

now under construction in mid Essex (Cold Norton) require

- (a) ASSISTANT GREENKEEPER
- (b) GROUND STAFF

Accommodation available if required. Please apply, stating age, experience, salary required, to the Secretary, Three Rivers Golf and Country Club, c/o Heycroft Holdings Limited, 687/691 London Road, Westcliff, Essex.

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mechanical sod cutters, but on some courses the old practice of lifting, boxing and cutting the turf by hand is still employed.

#### Conclusion

An excess of fibre may take quite a long time to develop and unless lifting

the turf, cutting off the fibre and relaying is then undertaken, reduction of the fibre by scarifying and spiking may be a lengthy process.

The fibre problem must not be ignored but perhaps the best answer comes from the old saying "prevention is better than cure".



## Hon. Secretary's Notes

### SUBSCRIPTIONS

Will members please take note that the subscriptions for 1971/72 are increased to the following:—

Class A	Head Greenkeeper	£2.00
Class B	First Assistant	1.50
Class C	Associates	1.00
Class D	Greenkeeper/Professional	2.00
Class E	Honorary Members	2.50

These increases were proposed by the Executive Committee last March, and unanimously passed by the members at the Extraordinary General Meeting on May 8th, 1971.

The breakdown of the new subscription will be as follows:—

Class A	Sections	50p
	Central Fund	90p
	STRI	25p
	Postage	35p
Class B	Sections	50p
	Central Fund	40p
	STRI	25p
	Postage	35p
Class C	Sections	40p
	STRI	25p
	Postage	35p
Class D	Sections	50p
	Central Fund	90p
	STRI	25p
	Postage	35p
Class E	Sections	2.15p
	Postage	35p

It is regretted that these increases are absolutely essential to maintain the financial stability of the association due to the increasing costs, particularly of postage and printing.

## Open Championship—Royal Birkdale

The Secretary of the Royal and Ancient Golf Club has again kindly forwarded 12 passes for the "Open" at Royal Birkdale Golf Club from 7th to 10th July. Any member who would like to make use of one should apply to me as soon as possible—first come, first served.

## Annual Tournament — Hollinwell Golf Club

Herewith is a list of hotels and accommodation in Mansfield which may be useful to members who will be visiting the tournament.

These have kindly been furnished by Mr Fretter of the East Midland Section.  
C. H. Dix.

Mr. L. Wilbrahams, Malt Shovel Hotel, Hucknall, Notts.

The Parkhurst Guest House, Woodhouse Road, Mansfield, Notts.

The Beech Dene Guest House, Woodhouse Road, Mansfield, Notts.

The Red Lion Hotel, Westgate, Mansfield, Notts.

The Denmans Head Hotel, Market Place, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts.

The Swan Hotel (licensed), Church Street, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 24131.

The Midland Hotel (licensed), (opposite Midland Station), Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 23195.

The Pine Lodge Hotel, Nottingham Road, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 24639.

The Clifton Hotel, Terrace Road, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 23876.

Springfield Hotel, Layton Avenue, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 23991.

Fernleaf Hotel, 26 Chesterfield Road South, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 22079.

Mrs H. W. Willdig (Guest House), "Holmesdale", 106 Nottingham Road, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 24605.

Mrs Garner (Guest House), 98 Nottingham Road, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 23909.

H. M. O'Donnell, 99 Nottingham Road, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 27689.

E. Roberts, 24 Commercial Street, Mansfield. Tel. Mansfield 25984.

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## MISCELLANEOUS

PROFESSIONALS AND GREEN-KEEPERS having stocks of used golf balls contact Sparkbrook Golf Ball Co., 295 Highgate Road, Stoney Lane, Birmingham, with a view to filling export orders.



## TRADE NEWS

The Easthampsted and Wokingham Joint Golf Course Committee have recently placed a contract with the Golf Course Construction Division of VEB Limited for the construction of an 18-hole golf course at a figure understood to be in the region of £75,000. Work is due to start immediately and this municipal course, which is designed by the well-known golf course architect, Mr W. Hawtree, will provide a much needed golfing facility for those who live in the area.

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The directors of VEB Limited wish to announce that as from the 1st April 1971, Fraser Middleton, the manager of their Golf Course Construction Division, has been appointed to the board as an executive director, with special responsibility for golf course construction.

The company, at present, is active in this field and has internationally eight courses under construction. They fore-

see increasing growth in this field and have organised the company's administration accordingly.

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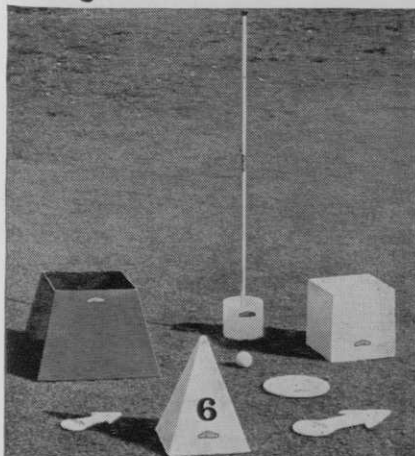
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# THE SPORTS TURF RESEARCH INSTITUTE

## BINGLEY, YORKSHIRE

The Twentieth Annual General Meeting of the SPORTS TURF RESEARCH INSTITUTE was held at Bingley on Monday, 26th April, under the chairmanship of Mr Alan Sowden.

(1) In the annual report for 1970, which was adopted, reference was made to:—

(a) *Research.*—Emphasis in the main was on testing grass varieties and adding to information on the best use of grass species and varieties. Fifteen new trials were sown, the total area taken up by the project being brought to almost three acres. Wear treatment was carried out artificially with a modified turf aerator made to an Institute design.

Other work included fungicide trials with, in addition, some small tests on the treatment of *Ophiobolus* patch disease and an external trial on the treatment of fairy rings, also trials of mosskillers and herbicides. The soil amelioration experiments continued.

(b) *Advisory Service.*—There was a noteworthy increase in the demand made upon the advisory service by sports clubs, parks departments and education authorities, particularly in respect of sports ground construction. Much favourable television, radio and press publicity was obtained, particu-

larly in connection with the reconstruction of the Wembley Stadium pitch.

(c) *Education.*—Six instructional courses, each of five days' duration, were held in 1970, these being attended by a total of 145 greenkeepers, groundsmen and club officials, etc. Lectures were given at centres throughout the country and articles were contributed for publication in popular magazines. Members of staff continued to serve on national and local committees concerned with the training of greenkeepers and groundsmen.

(d) *Finance.*—Despite tremendous increases in overheads the financial result was a nominal surplus, this being due to the exceptional earnings of the advisory service. But future dependence upon the advisory service making no less a contribution to revenue will obviously continue, particularly as costs continue to rise, further to which it is now a matter of priority that more funds be obtained to expand the level of research.

(2) A message of loyal greetings was sent to H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh, patron of the Institute.

(3) Elections were: President, the Duke of Norfolk. Vice-Presidents, Carl Bretherton, Esq.; Sir William Worsley; R. G. J. Kirk, Esq. Chairman, Alan Sowden, Esq. Vice-Chairman, R. E. Cameron, Esq.

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