

# SECTIONAL News

## MID ANGLIA

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Congratulations to Ken and Bec Bunting who became proud parents on August 14th with the birth of Emma Louise.

Ken will buy the champagne at the Christmas Invitation Meeting which will be held at South Bedfordshire Golf Club on Thursday, 11th December over 18 holes. Please bring a small prize.

This is a popular meeting and entries must be sent to Ken Bunting by 17th November together with the partners name, handicap and £22.00 per couple.

Christmas Dinner will be served about 5.30 p.m. and anyone who would like to come to Dinner only should phone Ken at Little Gaddesden 3359.

Well done the Mid-Anglia lads who did so well at Billingham, Roland Hughes, winner of the Ransome Cup and Gerald Bruce who took the Golf Illustrated Cup. Commiserations to Dick Bowie who's 75 on Monday would have been good enough for the coming of age if he had known what age qualified for entry.

Congratulations to the North West for their narrow victory in the Jubilee Cup thanks to the consistent scoring of anchor man, the "Mere Miracle"

Congratulations also go to our new President, J. Hamilton Stutt, who also has the unusual distinction of being elected a Vice President.

## CLEVELAND

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Our Section was proud to host the Annual Greenkeepers Tournament. Harry Lees and the staff at Billingham G.C. had the course in, as usual, fine condition.

The three day event was felt to have been a great success, especially by some of our local members, notably Roger Shaw and Mark Hodgson who won the Best Nett and Gross respectively.

Two trips have been organised this year, the first to Bingley on Oct. 16th and the second, to the Scotsturf Exhibition on Nov. 12th for which the Section is providing a luxury coach. Pick-ups are at Middlesbrough, Billingham, Darlington and Ferryhill, hoping to reach the exhibition by approx. 10.00 a.m.

The A.G.M. is booked for Oct. 1st to be held at Billingham G.C. starting at 8.00 p.m. A buffet is provided. Class E Members are entitled to attend but not to vote.

The Autumn Tournament this year was held at Blackwell, on Sept. 30th. Results in next month's issue.

Further details of trips, etc. are available from your Secretary on Darlington 57891 (office hours) or 489297 (home).

## NORTHERN

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Our October evening meeting will take place on the 23rd at 7.30 p.m. at Moor Allerton. The Industrial consortium, North British Maritime will present talks and films on their operations with the emphasis on North Sea salvage.

Congratulations to Paul Nicholas, assistant at Calverley Golf Club on attaining a distinction in his C&G phase 2, year two. Similarly to all other scholars who did well in their academic endeavours - Stay with it.

A piquant golfing interlude took place at Easingwold Golf Club in August, the venue of our 1986 Invitation Tournament. Reports were highly favourable on every aspect of both course and facilities. Our thanks to Easingwold's Committee for their kindness and hospitality.

NOVEMBER 20th:  
Moor Allerton Golf Club

We ask ("Are you getting the best from your course?") and invite you to come along and ask with us. Not only are we asking but also telling. Providing the words and action, will be Malcolm Campbell, editor of Golf Monthly, Norman Bey, Green Chairman, West Bradford Golf Club, Rodney Foster, International amateur golfer and Walker Cup Player, Nicholas Park, author and greenkeeping principles analyst and Peter Wharton from the Yorkshire Union of Golf Clubs.

Greenkeepers will also present short papers entitled the Professional Greenkeeping View. All wrapped up with coffee, lunch and notes at an inclusive fee of £15 per delegate. Definitely worth a speculate.

Get your Staff, Green Chairman, Secretary and Captain to join us.

This summer has been a time for arrivals and events. Committee man Bob Lupton is now the proud father of a second daughter. Mick Tattersall, assistant at West Bradford and Alan Whitaker 1st Assistant at Bradford Golf Club have taken the matrimonial plunge. Best wishes to you all and congratulations to the ladies involved.

A comment made last month implied that the R&A had imposed courtesy sanctions on greenkeepers at St. Andrews. This information, although partially founded was incorrect insofar as the R&A takes no part in the running of the Links of St. Andrews, and therefore has nothing to do with this latest piece of policy making. The Links management made this decision though for what reason it is difficult to understand.

## WELSH

Hon. Sec: Philip Swain,  
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On Thursday, 11th September we held our Autumn meeting at Langland Bay Golf Club on the Mumbles coastline. We were treated to some excellent weather, yet again.

The tournament was a close run affair with an encouraging attendance by our members.

Winner of the President's Shield by ½ a shot was Graham Cox, 111½, who won a glass rosebowl donated by Rigby Taylor.

Second came Huw Morgan with a score of 112 for a bottle of whisky donated by Ted Thompson.

Third was Ted Thompson - 114½ winning a bottle of white wine - donated by Brown's of Bristol.

Best Gross: Huw Morgan - 124.

Aggregate Gross: Henry Fry - who takes the Salver.

Aggregate Nett: Winner of the Rose Bowl - Ted Thompson.

We would also like to thank Paul Robinson, Robert Litcher, Alex Cambell, Caerleon G.C., John Hopkins and Henry Fry for their donations to our prize table.

Our Christmas competition at Pyle and Kenfig Golf Club will be held on December 11th at 11.00 a.m.

All competitors to bring a prize. Entry available to trade members as well as greenkeepers.

Please give me prior notice if you are entering, to help with the catering arrangements.

## OBITUARY

### WILLIAM BARTLE

It is with regret that we report the death of Mr. Bartle. Mr. Bartle was a Northern Section Honorary Life Member and Honorary auditor.

His working life included spells in greenkeeping at West Bradford and Wilmslow Golf Club. He gave long distinguished service to the Sports Turf Research Institute working on the plots alongside the former Frank G. Smith and later as advisory officer, visiting golf clubs and sports installations in South Wales, the South West and North East.

Bill was also heavily involved with STRI's first Director R. B. Dawson in the compilation of the classical "Practical Lawncraft". His services to the Northern Section were greatly valued, spanning several decades. His solid, sensible approach and interest is a sad loss to our Section.

Our deepest condolences to his wife and family.