

MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE
ON THURSDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 1969.

PRESENT: The Captain (F. Robinson) in the Chair and Messrs. J. Harrop (President), J.C.E. Meeks, R. H. Meeks, A.N. Howard, J.W. Stephenson, J.A. Fiddian, F.W. Greenhough, A.J. Dixon, N. Sykes and P.W. Carter.

Apologies for absence were received from: Messrs. N. Howard, L. Butlin, J.L. Brodie and C.W. Cooper.

The Minutes of the previous Committee Meeting were read and accepted a true record.

MATTERS It was Agreed to allow expenses to cover travelling and accommodation for K. ARISING: Briggs on his attendance at the Groundsmen's Course.

The Captain Reported that a Fruit Machine could be rented, but it was decided to keep our own Machine at this stage.

HANDICAP In the absence of the Handicap Secretary, Mr. N. Sykes, reviewed matters of a COMMITTEE: general nature and a discussion took place on the Annual Revision of Handicaps. The "Scratch" to "18 Handicap" Players would be reviewed on the basis of Par.

Mr. Stephenson proposed that a Junior Medal Competition should take place on the same Saturday as the Senior Medal Competition, the Juniors to commence play at 10-30 a.m. to 11-30 a.m. with suitable prizes to be donated. The General Secretary seconded and this was Resolved.

GREENS The Greens Secretary and Staff were congratulated on the condition of COMMITTEE: the Course at the Open Day.

The Greens Secretary Reported that he had now placed the order for various trees to the price of approximately £100, which were to be planted by our own Greens Staff.

The Committee Resolved that a Notice be displayed requesting members not to use trolleys, if possible, during Winter play.

The Ashton Cricket Club were to be allowed the loan of the scarifier once more, but in future this would have to be reviewed with a monitory consideration.

BAR: The Bar Secretary was sorry to Report a deficiency on the recent Stock-taking COMMITTEE: of £8.12.10. He pointed out that this matter would be carefully note by him for future reference. The Takings were still showing an increase in comparison with the previous year, although recent income had not been as good. The price review was not yet complete, as yet, but this should be available in the near future.

HOUSE:
COMMITTEE:

The House Secretary stated that he had contacted Mr. R. Clegg and had placed the order for towels as agreed at the last Committee Meeting.

The Lady Captain had Reported to the House Secretary that the Ladies were willing to release twelve arm-chairs in the upstairs Lounge for use in the Smoke-Room, provided smaller chairs were purchased in replacement. It was Agreed that this be adhered to, the price of £7.3.0. being settled upon.

The Bar Secretary was to inform the Club Steward that he was granted permission to have a Television Aerial fixed to the chimney.

NOMINATIONS
AND
RESIGNATIONS:

The Committee Ruled the Resignation under default of Mrs. P. Lynton.

After the usual ballot, the following Junior Member was accepted: -
J. Stevenson proposed by I.F.W. Kerr, seconded by J. Lawton.

ANY OTHER
BUSINESS:

Suggestion Book:

The suggestion that the next Fixture Calendar be printed in Gold Leaf with stiff backs to include Members' names and addresses, could not be accepted owing to the Members requesting the Committee to make all possible economies.

SPECIAL REPORT ON LAND AND BUILDING PROPOSALS

The President gave a resumé of a visit made to the Offices on the Stamford Estates by the Captain, Messrs. J.W. Stephenson, R. Wood and himself, when discussions took place with Mr. R. Cordingley.

In a lucid Report, the Committee were informed that vacant possession would occur on 25th March, 1970 of Gorsey Lane Farm. The possibilities of this being purchased as a new Club House and all the problems entailed was then discussed. The President went on to Report that a request had been made to Mr. Cordingley to allow us to buy a strip of land from the present Club House to lead to Gorsey Lane. This could not be ascertained at this stage, but the Committee were reminded that the Lease of Land expires in 1976 and it was envisaged, if renewed, an increased rental would have to be charged. Mr. Butlin was to be approached again as to the negotiation of more Land being rented from the Water Board.

A full and frank discussion followed and matters were left in abeyance until the next Meeting.

The Captain was given power to instruct the Secretary to call a Sub-Committee Meeting on this subject should he think this desirable, the Members being the Captain, the President, Mr. J.W. Stephenson, Mr. L Butlin and Mr. P.W. Carter.

There being no further Business, a Vote of Thanks to the Captain for presiding, closed the Meeting, the date of the next Meeting to be 13th

November, 1969.

Signed F Robinson Captain
Date 13/11/69.
