

Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held Thursday December 17th 1953 7-30 p.m.

Present: - All Members of the Committee with the exception of Mr N L Wright who was ill and sent his apologies.

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Minutes of the Handicap, House and Greens Committees were approved and signed.

Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held on November 19th last were also signed.

In Business Arising: -

Mention was made of the Lounge decorations which were generally approved. The Secretary is to write to the Ladies' Committee thanking them for their co-operation in this connection.

Extensions had been obtained by Mr V Haworth for Christmas Eve and Boxing Day until 11.30 p.m. and New Year's Eve until 1.30 a.m.

Correspondence: -

A letter was read from Mrs Cawthron enquiring regarding the holding of a Bridge Drive on New Year's Day. It was decided to ask the Social Committee to organise the Drive and to lend it support.

Applications for full membership were received from Mr C Brierley, 85, Waterloo Road, Ashton-under-Lyne, Mr J Brierley, 23 Oldham Road, Ashton-under-Lyne and Mrs T Fish, "Lynefield" Gorsey Lane, Ashton-under-Lyne. They were balloted for and duly accepted. Mrs Fish's application is to remain on the board according to rule.

Accounts amounting to £272-0-8 were passed for payment.

Christmas gratuities amounting to £7 in respect of the Steward, Stewardess, Professional, Professional's Wife and three groundsmen were approved.

The Secretary submitted a letter regarding the calling of a Special General Meeting on Saturday January 16th next when resolutions to increase subscriptions will be proposed. After certain adjustments had been made the letter was approved.

The Calendar Committee is to consist of the Captain and Messrs: Cooper, Hobson, Firth and Sykes.

Mr W E Sowerbutts has again made the gift of a Christmas Tree to the Club and the Secretary is to thank him.

Reference was made to the method of reserving £100 per year in the Accounts in respect of a Land and Building Reserve. After Mr Firth had suggested the procedure for dealing with this it was agreed that a reserve be made in the Accounts each year in this respect.

The Treasurer had enquired whether Mr N D Ainley and Mr W Hawke who had not paid their subscriptions for last year and this were to be struck-off. This was agreed in the case of Mr Ainley

but that as regards Mr Hawke, it be left over for another month so that further contact could be made.

Regarding the New Year's Eve Dance reference was made to the licensing regulations and the Captain stated that there would be no charge and no tickets provided. Visitors' names would be entered in the Visitors' Book and a notice displayed at the Bar stating that only members would be served.

Signed. J Harrop 21/1/54