

MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE ON
THURSDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, 1971.

PRESENT: The Captain (J.W. Stephenson) in the Chair, the President (J. Harrop) and Messrs. A.N. Howard, G.R. Windsor, F. Robinson, R.H. Meeks, N. Howard, C.W. Cooper, A .J. Dixon, R. Scowcroft, L. Butlin, F.W. Greenhough, I.F.W. Kerr and P.W. Carter.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. J.L. Brodie.

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

MATTERS: Mr. Butlin requested observations as to the advisability of mentioning the matter at the Annual General Meeting of Members having to be struck off the Register, owing to default in payment of subscriptions.

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The concensus (sic) of opinion appeared to be that this point should be brought forward, but the individual names should not be mentioned, but these could be given to a Member or Members should they expressly wish to have them

The Contracts were now signed as to the Land to be purchased from Glenfold Estates, but final notes had not, as yet, passed between the Legal Representatives.

ANNUAL GENERAL

MEETING The Captain mentioned that he had checked with the General Secretary the Minutes passed at the last Annual General Meeting in respect of the 1917 A.G.M. It was thought advisable to go on with the Meeting, therefore, on Thursday, 4th March 1971 at 7-30 p.m. at the Broad oak Hotel, Ashton.

Owing to the Postal strike and the settlement of this being unknown to us at this point of time, it was Agreed that a Notice should be placed in the Reporter Group of Newspapers, drawing attention of Full Playing Male Members to the Meeting and that Notices of Meeting and copy Statement of Accounts would be available at the Club House. Notices would also be posted in the Club House by the Secretary.

CALENDERS FOR

NEXT SEASON Mr. Butlin Reported that he had now received three estimates from Printers which appeared to work out more expensive than the amount previously paid. It was Resolved, therefore, that we approach Messrs. J. Andrew & Co. Ltd., in the matter once more.

Mr. I.F.W. Kerr agreed to make enquiries as to the Subscription Notices being duplicated and would Report back in due course.

HANDICAP
COMMITTEE

The Handicap Secretary presented to the full Committee printed Calendars for next Season in proof form. Certain amendments were agreed upon and when these had been further corrected, a copy would be available for the General Secretary to approach the printers with this, so that the work could then be commenced.

The Captains for the Teams playing in the Stockport League was discussed and it was decided that the Captain-Elect should approach W. Wrigley and R. Ferris with a

view to their taking over the duties for the 1st and 2nd Teams respectively.

GREENS
COMMITTEE

The Ashton Rugby Club had approached certain Committee Members requesting support for an effort which they were organising on Sunday, 28th March, 1971, Which would take the form of a "Hartshead Pike Competition". The Committee requested the General Secretary to reply stating we would support this effort and allow Car Park facilities at the farthest point of our Car Park on that morning.

The Ladies' Tee at the Eighth Hole was again discussed and the Green Secretary was requested to see if time could be permitted by the Greens Staff to raise this and if not, to press on with the platform arrangements.

BAR
COMMITTEE

The Bar Secretary Stated that he was sorry to Report that the Cash discrepancy could not, as yet be traced, although the new Stock-taking Report had just been received showing a surplus of £5.14.8. but this did not clear up the matter.

Mr. Butlin then pointed out to the Committee that he had had reports on our employee, Mr. Gibson, who although having been a good servant of the Club in the past was now finding matters were now getting rather beyond him when the Bar was busy.

The Bar Secretary concurred on this matter and gave his opinions and observations which supported the previous statement.

The agreed increases had not, in fact, been paid to Mr. Gibson and the previous Committee Meeting Minute was rescinded by the Committee.

The Bar Secretary said that he felt confident that the female staff could now take over the Monday night duties and, in conjunction with Mr. Cowen, the employment of Mr. Gibson would diplomatically be brought to a close.

Concern was expressed that the Cash Register had jammed and was not functioning correctly, also the conversion to Decimals had not yet been carried out as the firm had contracted to do. These points would be followed up most vigourously.

HOUSE
COMMITTEE:

The arrangements for the Valentine Ball were confirmed and thanks were again due to Mr. I.F.W. Kerr for his efforts in this respect.

TREASURER'S
REPORT:

The Accounts passed for payment amounted to £568.40.

The Gaming Machine receipts were again down on the corresponding period last year.

Owing to the illness of the General Secretary, the Sub-Committee had not met regarding the Gaming Machines, but the General Secretary Reported that Mr. Hague would rent us two Machines at £9.00 per week for the two and we would have the takings. These machines would be changed every two years. Two other firms requested rentals of £10.00 to £12.00 per week.

The matter was left in abeyance.

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RESIGNATIONS: No further Resignations had been received and the Nominations were left over until another Meeting.

It was agreed that Mr. A.V. Powrie be allowed to revert to Full Membership for 1971/2.

Mr. L. Butlin Reported that Mr. I. Whitehead had been a Provisional Member for one year and after considering the wording in the Constitution of Membership, it was agreed that Mr. Whitehead should be allowed to apply for Social Membership,

CORRESPONDENCE: The Secretary of the Aerialite Golfing Society had written a further letter stating that if permission was given to play the Course on a Thursday, they would now be enabled to see that all players had teed off by 4-30 p.m. This fixture was, therefore, granted.

The Ladies' Section were granted the use of the Smoke Room on the Ladies Open and Invitation Days, and the use of the Club House on the occasion of the Annual Christie Bridge Drive.

A Golf Match was also acceptable for Thursday afternoon, 18th March, 1971.

New Discs would be ordered for Markers on the Ladies' Tees.

The Committee agreed that the Bar Prices being quoted at this time, should stand and a reply be made in the Suggestion Book: but further details as to why these prices should be charged would be given at the Annual General Meeting.

CAPTAIN: The reigning Captain then thanked the Committee for their support during his year of Office and the efforts made by all concerned.

PRESIDENT: The President then stated that this would be his last Committee Meeting as President, and he wished it to be placed on record his thanks to everyone for the consideration always afforded him, and he had been surprised at the amount of work carried out in Committee, especially by the Officers.

General A VOTE OF THANKS to the Captain for presiding closed the Meeting, the next Committee Meeting would be held on Thursday, 11th March, 1971.

Signed Alfred N Howard Captain

Date 11-3-71