General Committee Meeting 19 July 1951

Present: - A Hobson (Cap), W Brown, H H Cawthron, F Cooper, J H Firth, J Harrop, V Haworth, H Swallow, T H E D Turner, R Wood and N L Wright.

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on 21st June 1951 were read and confirmed.

The Minutes of the Handicap, House and Green Sub Committees were approved and adopted.

Accounts amounting to the sum of £120-18-0 were passed for payment viz: - N W Electricity Board £24-19-0, Waterworks Ctee £15-7-1, Esso Petroleum Co £3-8-9, J Ridyard & Sons Ld £31-18-11, J W Edge 15/2, E B Hartley 13/1, J O Bolt & Sons £4-12-3, Tom King £8-4-5, Miscintransit Concrete Ld £20-4-6, J Andrew & Co Ld £5-18-3. W Brown & Son Ld £4-1-6.

Mrs Elsie Wood of 7 Brookfield Green Ashton, proposed by W Derbyshire & seconded by H Schofield was elected to membership by ballot.

The nominations of M^r Frank Holden (deferred from previous month) & M^r Stanley Carter were referred to the Captain to interview the proposer in each case.

The resignation of Mrs Harry Barker as from March 24th last was accepted with regret.

An application from M^r T Bowers for permission for one of his employees to fish the Reservoir was granted.

A discussion took place regarding the possibility of draining off the Reservoir and filling with ashes and the Secretary was instructed to approach M^r R Cordingley, Steward of the Estate in the matter.

A letter was read from M^r A Salthouse complaining of the conduct of M^r Wills during a game of bridge in the Smoke Room on the evening of Thursday June 28th. The Secretary reported that he had conferred with the Captain and on his instructions had written M^r Wills asking for an explanation of the incident.

A letter date July 13th from M^r Wills was read giving his version of the incident and after careful consideration it was decided that the Committee were justified in requiring M^r Wills to tender a written apology to M^r Salthouse & the Committee.

Letters were read from the English Golf Union and the Lancashire Union of Golf Clubs soliciting subscriptions towards the presentation of a testimonial to Major A W Laverack, Secretary of the English Golf Union on the completion of 21 years in that office. – It was decided that the letters should "Lay on the Table".

The Secretary was instructed re the provision of new door check four for the main entrance and a First Aid Box in the Hall.

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Captain

A Hobson 16/8/51.