

## Minutes of Autumn General Meeting held on Saturday October 3rd 1953 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: 76 members.

Mr T H E D Turner (Captain) in the Chair.

The Captain reminded the Members that since the last Meeting, Mr W Wood had died and the Members stood in respect.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1953 were read and signed.

In business arising questions were asked regarding making the Gulley at the 13<sup>th</sup> easier for caddy-cars and also the provision of a rail on the wall crossing the Gulley and the questioners were informed that the matters were under consideration.

Mr Turner made his retiring speech and said that he had enjoyed two happy years in Office. He had previously said farewell in May on leaving the District and he was indebted to Mr Hobson for so ably deputising for him. He proposed that Mr J Harrop should be elected Captain for the ensuing year. He referred to his early association with Mr Harrop and considered that he was ideally suited for the position being well fortified with a sense of humour whilst bringing dignity to the Office. The proposition was supported by Mr A Hobson. Mr Harrop was then duly elected Captain and received a warm reception.

In his Captain's address, Mr Harrop wittily thanked the Members for the honour and referred to his affection for the Club. He liked the Club, the Course and the Members and he considered that the value of the Club lay in the sum total of it's (sic) Members. He promised to serve to the best of his ability in the interest of the Club and it's (sic) Members.

The Captain proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Turner now retiring as Captain. He considered that Mr Turner must have derived some reward, however intangible whilst holding the Office. Mr Hobson's services in acting as his deputy were also referred to. Mr Firth supported the proposition by referring to Mr Turner's services in the Committee prior to his Captaincy. The Club had benefited from his assistance when purchasing the Club House. Good wishes would go with him in his new sphere of activity. The proposition was received and carried with acclamation.

Election of Officers: -

There being no other nominations ~~names~~, Mr N L Wright was appointed Hon Treasurer and Mr N Sykes Hon Secretary.

Prior to the election of the Committee the Captain referred to the date being his Birthday and invited the Members to celebrate it with him which they did with musical honours.

The election of the Committee then took place resulting as follows: -

Election for 3 years - Messrs A Hobson, F Cooper and R Wood

Election for 2 years - Messrs V Haworth and S H Battersby

Election for 1 year - Mr J Buckley.

The Captain referred to an apology from Mr R Wood for his absence due to illness.

A vote of thanks was passed to the scrutineers.

The Hon Auditors Messrs W G Baker and H F Haselden were then declared elected.

A vote of thanks to the Committee, Treasurer, Secretary, House Secretary, Handicap Secretary and Auditors was proposed by Mr A George and seconded by Mr Burlinson. This was carried.

The Trophies for the season were presented as follows:

	Winner	Runner Up
Captain's Prize	R A Calvert	J Buckley
Kenworthy Cup	W Derbyshire	W Stansfield
Aitken Cup	M L Hall	A Hobson
Hall Cup	W Derbyshire	C Broucher
War Trophy	R Whitfield	A Shaw
Payne Bowl	C Broucher	A V Powrie
Andrew Cup	G Kellett	H Baguley

Today's Bogey Competition was won by Messrs A Whitworth and J Brodie with a score of 8 Up

A vote of thanks to the Donors or Prizes was proposed by Mr Calvert and seconded by Mr W Derbyshire and carried.

The following names as Donors of Prizes for 1953/54 were submitted: -

Messrs: - Turner, Broucher, George, S Hall, A Whitworth, D Rawle, Baguley, Brodie, Bardsley, Burlinson, F Rowley, J Buckley, H Schofield, N Howard, A V Powrie, H Greaves, R Calvert, E Widdop, W S Schofield.

In any other business Mr George asked for the Flag-Poles to be painted more often. The Captain stated that it was the intention to do this and a new set of Flag Poles had been purchased.

Mr J R Morris asked for a practice-net and this is to be considered.

Mr E Rowley asked for a different arrangement on Mondays when the Steward had his day-off. He suggested alternative arrangements for providing tea and Bar refreshments. This is to be considered.

Mr H Baguley asked for the marking of Competition Tees to be standardised. It was thought that this was now being done but will be further considered by the Committee.

A vote of thanks to the Captain proposed by Mr Raines concluded the Meeting.

Signed: J Harrop