General Committee Meeting Thursday Dec 16th 43.

Present: M^r A Hall in the Chair.

Mess^{rs}: E Raines, F Jones, H Ridyard, H R Schofield, E S Jones, Reg Bennett, J H Firth, F Thornley, R Wood and H H Cawthron.

The Secretary being absent owing to sickness.

The Minutes of the last meeting held November 18th were read and adopted.

The following accounts were passed for payment: - J W Hall Ltd 7/9, J Andrew & Co 1/10/-, Elias Wild & Sons 4/10/-, Tom King 5/4/4, W^m Monk 5/6, Stamford Estate 48/11/10, Electricity A/c 5/19/9. Total £66-9-2.

It was reported that the Secretary had now obtained the amended plan of No 16 Field from the Stamford Estate Surveyor, but that nothing had been heard from Bowler. It was reported that Bowler had this day been up to the Club-house and had paid the outstanding balance of £10 for grazing and it was left with M^r R Wood to give him the receipt etc.

It was decided to close the Club-house on Christmas Day at 1-0 p.m.

It was decided to grant gratuities to the Staff as in previous years; viz; £1 each to M^r and M^{rs} Lewis and Mess^{rs} Brooks, Lees and Haslam.

The following duly nominated and seconded were passed for membership by ballot: M^r Harry Stephenson and M^r H Maclean. The last named subject to being posted the required period.

The resignation of M^r L Hibbert as playing member was accepted with regret.

The minutes of the Handicaps, House and Greens Committees were passed as read.

The Calendar sub-committee was appointed as in 1942.

M^r E S Jones referred to a decision made by the Handicap Committee "at which he was not present" when Mess^{rs} K Brown and A George were disqualified. It was agreed that a ruling should be obtained.

The Captain referred to M^r Butlin's comments and suggestions regarding dances etc. open to the Public and asked for a definite statement from the Committee. It was decided that M^r Butlin be informed that the Committee has no intention of organising or permitting dances or other functions advertised to the Public whether for Charities or otherwise.

It was reported that M^r Butlin had resigned from the secretaryship of the Social Committee and that M^r H Burlinson had been appointed secretary pro-tem.

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