Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held Thursday April 16th 1953

<u>Present:</u> - Mr T H E D Turner (Captain) and Messrs Wright, Bolt, Dale, Harrop, Cooper, Firth, Haworth, Cawthron, W C Woods, Hobson and Sykes.

The Handicap Committee Report was presented by Mr F Cooper. The recommendations of the revised handicaps were also submitted and confirmed after adjustments had been made.

The House Committee Report was given by Mr Cawthron and accounts were passed for payment. He submitted his Bar Accounts for the year shewing a net profit of £795-9-6. The result was considered very satisfactory and thanks were extended to Mr Cawthron and Mr Bolt who deputised for him during his illness. Mr Woods was also thanked for his assistance with the Bar and Mr Wright for assisting Mr Cawthron with his figures.

The Greens Committee Minutes were submitted and signed.

The Minutes of the last Meeting held March 19th were read and approved.

Business arising related to the following: -

The Repairs Sub-Committee Meeting had not yet been held.

Reports from Messrs Dale and Sykes regarding the Lancashire Union of Golf Clubs' Meeting. Consideration of continued membership is to be gone into at a Winter Meeting.

The Turf Research subscription is not to be paid.

Reports on arrears were given by the Captain and Secretary.

The Captain reported that Mr Leech had presented two pewter tankards for the Winter Four-Ball Prizes. It was decided to present two ash-trays to the runners'-up.

The Secretary was thanked for the Notice relating to Game-Fees. It was pointed out however that the fee was per "game" and not per "round" and he agreed to alter the wording.

Correspondence.

A letter of thanks for use of the Spiker was received from Reddish Vale Golf Club.

A letter from Mr A V Powrie asking for a later starting time for Saturday Competitions was read. After discussion it was decided to give a three months' trial from May to July permitting starting until 6.30 p.m.

The Treasurer's Financial Statement was submitted and subject to the further reserve of £30 for repairs on the machines and minor adjustments, it was approved. The Treasurer was congratulated for the Statement.

An application for Honorary Membership was made by Mr J C Payne and it was approved.

Applications for transfer were received from: -

Mr E W Newton (Full to Honorary)
Mr L Radcliffe (Full to Honorary)
Mr R W Wilson (Full to Honorary)

These were approved.

Resignations were received from: -

Mr F Newport (Full) Mr W Armfield (Full) Mr C S Whitehead (Honorary) Miss H Barker (Honorary) Mr J H Calvert (Junior) Mr D Mills (Junior) Miss M Lees (Junior) Miss M R Hilton (Junior)

These were accepted with regret.

Accounts were submitted by the Treasurer and passed for payment.

The Annual Meeting arrangements were mentioned and the Secretary is to arrange for the loan of chairs as before.

The Captain reported that the Social Committee proposed to run a Social after the Mixed Foursome Competition on Saturday June 27th. This was approved and permission is to be given for the use of the Smoke Room and an extension to 11.45 p.m. applied for.

The Social Committee also proposed to arrange special efforts during the year. The first one to be an Open Mixed Four-Ball on Sunday June 7th. This was approved and the use of the Smoke Room from noon permitted. It was also proposed to run a Sweep on the St. Leger. The tickets entitled the holder to play without green fee on any day apart from Saturday, Sunday and holidays. This was approved.

The Captain referred to a Match between Fairfield and Ashton to be played on Sunday July 5th with a return at Fairfield on Sunday August 2nd. This was approved.

The Captain referred to the wrong information he had given at the Special General Meeting. He proposed to explain his error at the Autumn Meeting.

A question was raised regarding the Entrance Fee payable for Juniors who became Seniors and it was confirmed that this was in order unless the Junior had joined at a time when Entrance Fees

were not payable.

The question of applying for the use of the land at Dirk Farm is to be brought up at the next meeting.

Signed
A Hobson 21/5/53
Chairman