

General Committee

Monthly Meeting 17th January 1946

Present: - F Jones (Cap in the Chair)

Messrs: R Wood, R Bennett, E S Jones, H Ridyard, E Raines, A Hall, C I Baker, H H Cawthron, F Thornley, H R Schofield, J H Firth & H Swallow (Sec).

The minutes of the Meeting held on December 20th 1945 were read & approved.

The minutes of the Handicap, House & Greens Committees were read & approved.

The Calendar Sub-Committee submitted Draft of Calendar for the Season 1946/47 and subject to minor alterations the Diary was approved and adopted and the thanks of this Committee extended to the Sub-Committee.

The following accounts were passed for payment: - J Ridyard & Sons Ld. £7-0-8, Waterworks Ctee £10-13-11, S Hall & Son £25, Simpoles Ld. £10-3-6, Hurst Laundry Ld.£1-4-7, S H Gardiner 11/2, J Waterhouse & Co £1-3-6, Ashton Gas Co £5-19-11, Tom King 1-11-3. Total £63-8-6.

The following duly nominated & seconded were admitted to membership by ballot, viz: - M^r E Cadman, M^r John Jackson and M^{rs} Cooper as playing members.

The Secretary submitted letters from Miss Boon and M^r A Taylor regarding Arrears of Subscriptions and it was decided that their explanations be accepted and the Arrears written off.

It was decided that the appeal for Grant in Aid of the Ex Service Men's Victory Club be forwarded to the Social Committee with a recommendation for favourable consideration.

Resolved: That the members of the Calendar Sub-Committee constitute the Handicap Sub-Committee.

Resolved: - That the question of decorations to the Stewards quarters, the Dining Room, Smoke Room and Bar be left in the hands of the Captain & Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to direct the Steward in the matter of closing the Bar on Saturday nights also regarding an improvement in the service to Members in the Smoke Room.

Resolved:- That a Special Meeting of this Committee be held on Tuesday January 29th at 7 30 p.m. to consider the Finances of the Club and the Treasurers report thereon.

The meeting closed with a heart vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding.

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Special Meeting 29th Jany 1946

Present: - F Jones (Captain in the Chair)

R Wood, ~~E Paines~~, F Thornley, H Ridyard, R Bennett, C I Baker, E S Jones, A Hall, H R Schofield, H H Cawthron, J H Firth & H Swallow.

The meeting was called to consider the Finances of the Club having regard to the increased expenditure and to discuss the advisability of increasing the Subscriptions.

M^r Firth submitted a Statement showing the present number of subscribing members, estimated increase in Income for the Year 1946/47, loss of income from specific items and increase in expenditure for 1946/47. Reserve Fund for deferred expenditure and the estimated future position of Income and Expenditure under present normal conditions.

M^r Firth commented on the figures given in his report and explained in detail the various items.

After extending the thanks of the Committee to the Hon Treasurer for his clear and concise report, the matter was given full & careful consideration. Most of the Members of the Committee expressed their views and were of the opinion, in view of the fact that the Treasurer, after taking into account the increased expenditure &c was able to budget for a future surplus of income over expenditure of £244 ~~for the year 1946/47~~ on the present membership; the favourable prospects of increased membership in the near future that no policy of improvement and reconstruction on the course has been adopted, and having in mind the Reserve Fund already accumulated for deferred expenditure, there appeared to be no necessity to increase the Subscriptions of playing members at the present time, and on the motion of M^r Bennett, seconded by M^r Baker it was

Resolved: That no action be taken in respect of the Subscriptions of Playing Members.

The Subscriptions of Honorary Members and the charges for Visitors was carefully considered and it was moved by M^r Bennett, seconded by M^r E S Jones and Resolved: That the subscriptions of Honorary Members be increased to £2-2-0 per annum from the 25th March 1946.

On the motion of Mr Schofield seconded by Mr Ridyard it was Resolved: That the fees for visitors be increased to 3/- per day on ordinary week-days, 4/- per day on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays and to 10/- per week.

Resolved: That the Honorary Secretary be instructed to call a Special General Meeting of the Members on Saturday February 16th 1946 at 7.30 p.m. to consider proposed alteration of Rules 12 and 14 to give effect to the foregoing increases.

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