

Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held at the Club Thursday 21st April, 1955 at 7.30 p.m.

Present: - Mr F Cooper (Captain) and Messrs: - Harrop, Butlin, Battersby, Bolt, Buckley, Cawthron, Firth, Haselden, Hobson, Lees, Wood and Sykes.

Mr F Cooper (Captain) in the Chair.

The Captain referred to the lamented death of Mr E Rowley a former Secretary and member of the Committee and members stood in respect.

The Minutes of the Handicap, Committee Meeting held on March 17th were read and signed.

It was agreed to form a Sub-Committee to deal with the Men's Open Day on Sunday June 19th. The Committee to consist of the Captain and Messrs R Lees, H F Haselden, J Harrop, and N Sykes.

The Minutes of the House Committee Meeting held February 17th were approved.

Mr Cawthron presented his Bar Accounts for the year and he was thanked for the excellent results achieved. Mr Bolt was also thanked for his assistance.

The Minutes of the Greens Committee Meeting held on March 17th were approved.

The Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held on March 17th were read and signed.

Mr Bolt reported that six new Card Tables had been delivered to the Club.

A Policy to cover "Money in Transit" had been taken out at a cost of 19/3.

Correspondence. The following letters were considered:

1. An application from Mr L E Sykes A.R.I.B.A. for permission to connect up with the Club's drains at the 4th from his proposed new house near Gorse Lane Farm was read. Further enquiries are to be made before granting permission.
2. An application from Oldham Hulme Old Boys to play on Wednesday July 13th at Ashton was read and permission was granted subject to certain conditions.

The following resignations were received: -

Gentlemen, Full Membership: -	L Gildart. A Moffatt. A Porter. C V H Millett (transfer to Social).
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Gentlemen, Provisional Membership: -	P Wright. J Wrigley. J Dixon.
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Gentlemen, Country Membership: -	Lt. Col. Beauchamp. I MacCallum.
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Ladies, Full Membership: - Miss A Lawrance.
Mrs D Lawrance.
Mrs J R Widdop.

Ladies, Social Membership: - Mrs S Brown.

They were all accepted with regret.

Applications for membership were received as follows: -

Gentlemen, Full Membership: - Mr J N Newton, proposer C Hall, seconder K Gregory.
Mr W Rogers, proposer J T Miller, seconder D J Rawle.
Mr J W Gaunt (transfer from Social Membership).

Gentlemen, Provisional Membership. Mr I Whitehead, proposer F Cooper, seconder J Whitehead.
Mr P Marchington, proposer J Whitehead, seconder F Cooper.
Note: Mr Marchington later decided on Full Membership.

Gentlemen, Social Membership: - Mr C V H Millett (transfer from Full Membership).

Ladies, Full Membership: - Miss N Pendlebury, proposer N Sykes, seconder J Buckley.

They were duly elected.

Accounts amounting to £237-18-3 were passed for payment.

The Financial Statement for the year ending March 24th 1955 were presented by Mr Butlin and duly approved. Mr Butlin was thanked for his very concise statement.

The Social Committee report was given by Mr S H Battersby.

Regarding the plans for the Mixed-room it was decided to hold a Special Meeting on Friday April 29th at 8 p.m.

The Annual Meeting arrangements were considered and it was decided to hold the meeting according to the Rule on Saturday May 7th.

Permission is to be given to the Steward to use the Putting Green during his leisure.

Mr Bolt applied for permission to have keys for spare locks for the lockers and this was granted.

Messrs W E Sowerbutts & Son had applied for the loan of the Spiker and if this is for their own use, permission is to be granted subject to suitable arrangements being made with Brooks.

Signed.

F Cooper
19 May 1955.

Minutes of a Special Committee Meeting held at the Club Friday April 29th 1955 at 8 p.m.

Present: - Messrs F Cooper (Captain), Harrop, Butlin, Battersby, Haselden, Bolt Buckley and Sykes (Secretary).

The Meeting had been called to further consider the question of making a Cocktail-Bar for the Mixed-room in the room now occupied by the Ladies' Toilet. The proposal is to transfer the lavatory equipment to the room now occupied as the Secretary's room, and to convert the present Ladies' Toilet into the Cocktail-Bar. The Captain gave estimates of the cost as follows: -

Plumbing, Building & Decorating work.	206	10	0
Joinering, bar seats &c..	45	0	0
Electrical, including Extractor Fan, a nominal charge by Mr E Hartley.	10	0	0
Furnishing.	30	0	0
Carpets and Curtains.	15	0	0
Cushioning.	11	0	0
Four stools.	5	10	0
Two tables.	6	0	0
	329	0	0

The opinion was expressed that the room was too small for the purpose in mind but after a long discussion it was decided by five votes for and three abstentions that the project be submitted to the General Meeting as a Committee recommendation. It was also decided that the Captain prepares a circular appealing for subscriptions the amounts of which will not be disclosed.

It was also suggested that the Captain invite the Ladies' Committee to meet him to discuss this project.

Signed.