

## **General Committee Meeting Thurs March 10<sup>th</sup> 32.**

Present: G Robson in the Chair.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> E Raines, R Wood, H Ridyard, J C Payne, W H Andrew, E S Jones, F Moss, Ja<sup>s</sup> Kershaw, P Tildsley, H L Boardman, R Bennett and J Gibson.

The Minutes of last meeting held Feb 11<sup>th</sup> were read and passed.

The following duly nominated and seconded were passed for membership by ballot.

Full Members: - M<sup>r</sup> A Taylor, M<sup>r</sup> Frank Holt, M<sup>r</sup> W Sutton, M<sup>r</sup> John Dean, M<sup>r</sup> W E Whalley, M<sup>r</sup> Wilfred C Woods Jun<sup>r</sup>, M<sup>rs</sup> F Holt, Miss Galdys Bruce, Miss Barbara E Bleasdale.

It was agreed to transfer to Honorary Membership: M<sup>rs</sup> E F Wroe, M<sup>r</sup> A Ackrill & M<sup>rs</sup> Ackrill.

In connection with the letter sent by M<sup>r</sup> A Ackrill re playing occasionally, the Captain offered to see him and explain the position.

The following resignations were accepted: - T L Sharpley, Eric Stafford, F Roberts, S G Collier, D<sup>r</sup> C Hendry, D<sup>r</sup> S Wray, M<sup>rs</sup> W F Buckley, Miss M Stanning and M<sup>rs</sup> Macintyre and M<sup>rs</sup> Sharpley, honorary member.

The following accounts were passed for payment: - S Sidebottom Ltd 7/6/9, P M Mellor 7/6, Joseph Shaw 1/16/9, Follows & Bate 17/15/9 Subscription to Lancashire Union of Golf Clubs 1/11/6, Greenkeeping Research 2/2/-, Golfers Handbook 7/6, Manchester and District Golfers Alliance 1/1/-, and Ed J Burrow Ltd 16/6. Total £33-5-3

It was reported that a supply of Golf Club handbooks had been received and that the circular letter had been printed, and those were ready to be sent out. The Secretary reported that he had addressed all those to men members and the remainder were to be addressed by the Committee. It was decided to hold a meeting for this purpose on Tuesday next the 15<sup>th</sup> March at 7-30 p.m.

In connection with the Wayleave for Pylon, it was reported that the cheque for £100 had been received, It was also reported that a second Pylon was being erect on the Course next No 9 Green "Waterworks Land" and as the Club had not been approached in regard to same it was decided that the Treasurer and Secretary make enquiries and find out the position and also have power to act in the matter.

In regard to outstanding subscriptions of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Makin and Crossley the matter was left in the hands of M<sup>r</sup> R Wood.

The Minutes of the House Committee were passed as read.

The Minutes of the Handicap Committee were passed as read.

The Minutes of the Greens Committee were passed as read.

A discussion took place regarding the playing of golf by the Steward and it was finally agreed that no action be taken in the matter as long as there was no abuse of the privilege.

It was decided that the Secretary write to the Ladies Committee stating that on the grounds of economy only one fire would be provided in the Dining Room only except on Wednesdays and Saturdays.

It was also decided that a towel box be provided for the Ladies with a notice stating that one penny would be charged for the use of each hand towel.

It was decided to close up the ceiling grating to ventilator in Large Room.

M<sup>r</sup> Tildsley reported that he had been appointed the Postmaster at Chorley and regretted that he would be leaving Ashton to reside in Chorley and of course this would mean having to give up the Secretarial work on the Social Committee and his membership which he felt very much.

M<sup>r</sup> Robson moved that our thanks be given to M<sup>r</sup> Tildsley for his many excellent services in many ways. He had proved an excellent member of the Committee and we should be exceedingly sorry to lose him. M<sup>r</sup> Andrew seconded and same was carried by acclamation.

Several members expressed their appreciation of M<sup>r</sup> Tildsley's services and hoped that he would be happy in his new appointment. M<sup>r</sup> Tildsley replied and said that he had always tried to give service and play his part and he thanked the Committee for their vote of thanks and he promised to visit the Ashton Club whenever possible and knew that he would receive a welcome.

M<sup>r</sup> Bennett gave notice of his intention to raise the question of the financial position of the Club and bring forward some proposal for raising a loan at the next meeting.

**G Robson**

**14.4.1932**