

**Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held at the Club Thursday November 18th 1954 at
7.30 p.m.**

Present all members of the Committee with the exception of
Mr R Wood who sent his apologies.

Mr F Cooper, Captain, in the Chair.

The Captain referred to the deaths of Mr J H Lumsden and Mr H L Boardman and members stood in respect and sympathy.

The Minutes of the Handicap, House and Greens Committees were agreed.

In the House Committee reference was made to the Bar requiring decoration. It was also mentioned that the Bar partition needed raising and Messrs Batty & Bingham and T Fish Limited are to be asked to make suggestions and give prices for altering this. If any such alterations are carried out, the question of decoration is to be left over till then.

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held October 21st were approved.

Business arising related to: -

Mixed-room: - The plans had been received and a Special Meeting is to be held on Thursday next November 25th at 8 p.m. to consider them.

Film Show: - This has been arranged for January 21st. An extension to 11.30 p.m. is to be applied for. Ladies and Juniors are to be invited but the Smoke-room is not to be thrown open.

Practice Ground: - This is to be discussed at the next Meeting.

Correspondence. A letter was read from Mr Colls in which permission was applied for in respect of the following: -

1. The holding of a "Bring and Buy" Sale to raise funds for the Ladies' Section on Tuesday December 7th at the Club. It is understood that this is for members and friends.
2. The running of a Mixed Fourball Knock Out. Mr R Lees was asked to make the necessary arrangements.
3. (a) The arrangement of Friendly Matches on Mondays
(b) An Open Day early in the year with a practice day on the previous Friday.
(c) Bell Cup Matches with appropriate practice days.
4. The making of a built-in lock-up cupboard in the small Committee-room.

Permission was granted.

Accounts amounting to £144-17-0 were passed for payment.

The Treasurer also gave details of the income since the last Meeting. He asked for information regarding the Steward's pay for one week in lieu of holiday and this is to be paid at the year-end.

The resignation of Mr F P R Hinchliffe as from March 1955 due to his removal from the District was accepted with regret.

On the occasion of the Dance on December 3rd it was decided to keep the Club open as the Steward's services at the Dance would not be required.

It was reported that the Lease with the Waterworks' Committee expired in December 1953 and the Secretary was asked to apply for an extension for a further 14 years.

The Captain had arranged a Supper and entertainment in the Club on December 17th at 7.30 p.m. and an extension to 11.30 p.m. is to be applied for. The ladies have offered to assist in serving the Supper.

Christmas arrangements: -

£3 for decorations is to be allowed and £1 each to Mr & Mrs Cowen, Mr & Mrs Gillett and Ground Staff (2) a total of £6.

The Club is to be closed at 1 p.m. on Christmas Day.

A Dance is to be held on New Year's Eve and an extension is to be applied for to 1.30 a.m. On this occasion permission was given for use of the Smoke-room.

In any other Business the Secretary mentioned the inconvenient position of one of the corner lights in the Smoke-room. This is to be deferred until the next time the Smoke-room is to be decorated.

A question was asked about the Locker-room floor covering but it has not been possible to arrange anything yet.

The Secretary had written to Mr E S Jones sympathising with him on his accident.

The Captain hopes to hold a Golf Quiz on the Rules of Golf early in the New Year.

Signed.

F Cooper

16 December 1954.

Minutes of a Special Committee Meeting held at the Club Thursday November 25th 1954 at 8 p.m.

Present all members of the Committee with the exception of Messrs Wood, Hobson and Bolt.

Mr F Cooper, Captain in the Chair.

The Meeting had been called to consider the Architect's plans for the proposed making of a mixed-room but prior to these being submitted the Captain and Mr Butlin gave a report on certain information which had been received regarding the land requirements of the Lancashire Education Committee which, if granted would seriously affect the home-field and possibly encroach on the 2nd and 16th. It was decided to make further enquiries regarding the acquiring of part of Dirk Farm land and to have plans of the Course made for members of the Committee.

The Meeting then considered the Architect's plans and after a long discussion it was considered that a mixed-room is desirable but the proposed plans do not provide sufficient room for this purpose. That a Special Committee consisting of the Captain, Ex-Captain, Secretary and Treasurer approach the Sponsors of the mixed-room proposition with a view to revised plans being made. Mr Buckley offered to provide plans and estimate for making a room on the front of the Club-House by

extension.

An application from the Ladies' Committee to run occasional Whist Drives on Saturday Evening for Ladies was approved.

The appeal on behalf of the Churchill Birthday Fund was to lie on the table.

A quotation from Messrs T Fish Limited for altering the Bar partition was deferred pending the receipt of a similar quotation from Messrs Batty and Bingham.

The Handicap Secretary submitted a Notice which he proposes to put up regarding Winter Fourball Matches having no priority on the Course. This was approved subject to a slight alteration. It was decided to play the first 14 holes in Saturday's Competition.

Signed.

F Cooper

16 December 1954.