

MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE
ON THURSDAY, 12th NOVEMBER, 1970.

PRESENT: The Captain (J.W. Stephenson) in the Chair, the President (J. Harrop) and Messrs. N. Howard, L. Butlin, J.L. Brodie, A.N. Howard, C.W. Cooper, G.R. Windsor, F. Robinson, A.J. Dixon, R.H. Meeks, I.F.W. Kerr, R. Scowcroft, and P.W. Carter.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr. F.W. Greenhough.

The Minutes of the last General Committee Meeting were read and approved.

MATTERS Mr. Butlin requested details of the claim, if any, on the Club by Mr. Gibson and the
ARISING: General Secretary was enabled to Report that no claim would be lodged against us, as the matter had been settled by the Ministry of Social Security.

Some progress had been made by the Bar Secretary in meeting the Stocktaker, but the current Stocktaking had again not been furnished to Mr, Greenhough.

The Captain mentioned one or two minor points in the Minutes which had been attended to.

LIFE The Captain said he must formally report the death of one of our Life Members, Mrs.
MEMBER: Rupert Wood, a person who had given long service to the Club, and this loss was recorded with regret.

GREENS The Green Secretary stated that he was pleased to Report that all greens had now
COMMITTEE: been de-thatched and dressed for the winter. The Water Pipes had been laid, where required.

The Captain suggested that Mr. Meeks congratulate the Greens Staff for all the efforts which had been put into their work recently.

The General Secretary reported the fact that the bunker to the left of the Ninth Green (old Course) was again full of water and it was Resolved that this should be filled in and a mound made to act as a hazard.

HANDICAP The Captain Reported on the Annual Revision of Handicaps.
COMMITTEE: The Handicap Secretary then gave the explanation as to how these had been arrived at and read out the list to the General Committee, which was formally approved and the new Handicaps would be posted, along with a detailed explanation, in the Club House.

The Committee then Resolved that the value of major Prizes next Season (1971/2.) would be as follows:

Prize Winners to the value of £7.7.0.

Runners-up to the value of £3.3.0.

These amounts would be the financial responsibility of the Club Funds in respect of Prize Winners and runners-up in the normal manner.

The Entrance Fees for next Season's competitions would be left until the next

Calendar Meeting, when an increase may be recommended.

BAR
COMMITTEE: Owing to the illness of the Bar Secretary the General Secretary Reported the fact that he had visited Mr. Greenhough and had obtained the Minutes and certain accounts for payment, which could be dealt with. These matters were approved and passed by the Committee.

Mr. Carter Reported the fact that Mr, Greenhough had met the Stocktaker and our Bar prices were due for a further revision, especially in the cases of Wines and Spirits. Mr. Cooper expressed concern that in spite of efforts made by the Bar Secretary, we still had not obtained a Stocktaker's Report and this matter would have to be left in abeyance until the return of Mr. Greenhough.

HOUSE
COMMITTEE: The House Secretary obtained a ruling from the Committee that Lockers could only be let to Playing Members.

Complaints on the quality of biscuits being served on the occasions of Ladies' Bridge Evenings, would be dealt with.

The question of raining-in over the Bar was mentioned and this would be dealt with forthwith.

The Annual Dinner/Dance was reported a success socially, but not financially, which was most regrettable. Further thinking would have to take place about this for 1971/2.

The Captain then mentioned the New Year's Eve arrangements which would be organised by Mr. I.F.W. Kerr. Tickets would cost 25/- each, but no Member would be refused admission to the Club, although it was stressed that only ticket-holders could expect to take part in the banquet.

The Captain suggested that we leave the Ladies' Committee to organise a Christmas Party which would be of an informal nature and would probably take place on the Saturday before Christmas, i.e. December 19th.

TREASURER'S
REPORT: The Accounts passed for payment amounted to £2,533.18.7.

The ordering of six Sprinklers was agreed.

Mr. Butlin then gave a brief report on the revised Insurances: major points appertained to the Machinery and Cash in Hand held by himself and the Professional in their respective homes.

The Committee approved the fact that final notices now be served on the persons still in arrears in Subscriptions for the current Season.

PRESIDENCY: The Captain requested the Committee to consider the appointment of the next President of the Club and the method to be adopted.
Tribute from all sides was paid to our present President. After a lengthy discussion, in which numerous points were raised, it was Resolved that a Sub-Committee

comprising of the Captain, President, Captain-Elect, and Secretary, meet formally and agree upon a member who had given service to the Club, and would, in their opinion, carry out this responsible office with effect; that name then to be submitted to the full Committee for approval and when this had been agreed, the person concerned could then be approached.

NOMINATIONS

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RESIGNATIONS:The Secretary Reported that Miss M. Cooper had forwarded a letter of resignation as she would be returning to the U.S.A. shortly. The best wishes of the Committee were passed on to her father, Mr. C.W. Cooper, so that he could convey these to Miss Cooper.

Miss L. Meeks wished to be transferred from Full Playing Lady Member to Provisional Member on the Season 1971/72.

The Nominations were read to the Committee and these were left over for the time being.

CORRESPONDENCE: The General Secretary reported that fact that the Assistant Secretary of the Ladies' Section had written requesting that the Eighth Tee (when playing the new Course) be raised and the hedge near the corner, cut. It was reported that the hedge had already been cut and as the platform was nearly ready, this might be seen by the Ladies before the Tee was altered, to see if the former idea would meet with their approval.

The playing of Medal Rounds by Ladies on Saturday mornings, would be allowed under the conditions set out in the Calendar (page 39), i.e. Preference to be granted to Full Playing Male Members in Competition Matches and ladies' times of starting be 10 a.m. to 12-0 noon.

A letter from the Manchester Junior Golfing Alliance requesting a fixture next Season, would be discussed at a later date.

Two items in the Suggestion Book were read out: -

"The tiles on the floor around the Bar in the Smoke Room" would be renewed in due course.

"The planting of trees" would be further considered should it be thought enough funds were available for this.

A Vote of Thanks to the Captain for presiding, closed the Meeting, the next General Committee Meeting to be held on Thursday, 10th December, 1970.

Signed J.W. Stephenson Captain
Date 10/12/70