

**General Committee Monthly Meeting held
on Thursday 16th October 1952**

Present: - T H E D Turner (Captain), W O Bolt, H H Cawthron, F Cooper, N S Dale, A Hobson, V Haworth, J H Firth, N L Wright & E Rowley.

Apology received from M^r R Wood for absence owing to business reasons.

The Captain extended a hearty welcome to the newly re-elected Members of the Committee, Messrs W O Bolt & N S Dale & J Harrop.

Honorary Secretaries to Sub-Committees were appointed as follows:

Handicap Sec F Cooper
House Sec H H Cawthron
Greens Sec E Rowley & A Hobson

Catering (Captain) J H Firth, H H Cawthron, N S Dale & E Rowley.
Social (Captain) & W O Bolt.

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

Minutes of the last Meeting held September 18th were read and confirmed.

Accounts amounting to ~~£255-0-4~~ £354-7-1 were passed for payment.
General Rate £187-7-11, Lathom Vale Nurseries £15-0-0, H Yearly Rent £13-2-6, Lunevale Products L^{td} £11-10-0, Tom King £11-0-4, Esso Petroleum £3-13-11, Hurst Laundry £1-16-6, Harry Taylor £2-0-0, Bedfords 16/10, Reliance Garage 5/-, A L & J Beattie £4-2-11, Chief Rent £1-1-0, Sec Expenses £3-1-5, H Kay £129-6-9, repairs to Building.

The following duly proposed and seconded were elected to Membership by Ballot. (sic)

M^r R A Chaunes, The Nest, Taunton R^d Ashton; proposed by F Wood seconded by N L Wright.
M^r R Plant, Lees Rd Ashton; proposed by R Goodall, seconded by E Rowley.
M^{rs} M Rogerson 97 Wilshaw Grove Ashton; proposed by H H Broadbent seconded by C Buckley.

The following Resignation was accepted with regret: M^r R B Watkins (Country Member).

At the Autumn General Meeting M^r W Derbyshire complained that the handicapping by stroke had been altered in a certain Competition and not played according to the played as shown in the Calendar. After discussion, it was decided that no action be taken.

M^r Rawle suggested that a Meal be provided for Junior Members on the day of their Competition. It was decided that no action be taken.

Proposed by M^r J H Firth, seconded by M^r W O Bolt that Hadfields Signwriters be given the

work of putting the names of the Cup Winners on the Boards situated in the Dining Room. Carried.

The Secretary reported that he had been approached regarding that the Junior Membership be allowed to play on Sunday afternoon at an earlier time. It was decided to allow them to play from 2-30 p.m. as and from October 25th until further notice.

Resolved that the Club-House be closed at 7 p.m. on Sundays as and from October 25th until further notice.

The Secretary reported that he had met the Water Board Engineer and Chairman M^r Newton regarding the land situation in front of Dirk Farm for which the Club had made application to rent; it was stated that the Water Board would prefer that the Club should have this land but the agricultural Board would have to give consent to the Club having the land; further it would be two years before this land would become at liberty,

The Surveyor desired to arrange a Meeting with the Club's representatives as to the practicality, cost and possible completion date, for the extension of the Golf Course.

A letter was received from the Borough Surveyor asking when it would be convenient for the deputation from the Club to meet him at his office to discuss the Area of land situated at Hurts Nook. It was agreed that the Secretary arrange a Meeting with the Surveyor, between the Captain, M^r R Wood and Secretary to discuss this land.

It was decided to defer the co-opting of another Member to the Committee until the next Meeting.

Resolved that the Quotation of H Kay to take down the Gutters above the upper lounge and replace with new Gutting at a cost of £28 be accepted.

It was agreed to pay the Subscription of £2-2-0 to the Manchester & District Golf Alliance.

Proposed by M^r J H Firth, seconded by M^r F Cooper that the best thanks of the Committee be extended to M^r H H Cawthron for his assistance and work given at the Dinner.

It was resolved that a Ball may be lifted and dropped not nearer to the hole if it lie in the ditch on the right of the 17th Green without penalty.

The Treasurer presented the figures of the financial position of the Club at the present time.

After discussion on the matter it was decided to call a special Financial Meeting on the November 13th 1952.

A Vote of thanks was extended to M^r Wright for his work in getting out the figures.

The Captain informed the Meeting that M^r W Meeks had promised to provide a Cup & Replica, to be played for by the Junior Members. The Committee very much appreciated the kind offer but for the present the matter – lie on the table.

A letter was read from the Secretary regarding the Balfour & Houldsworth Golf Challenge Cups. It was decided that this – “lie on the table” owing to the health of M^r Meeks at the present time.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding, terminated the Meeting.

T H E D Turner
13/11/1952