# MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE ON THURSDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 1970.

#### PRESENT:

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

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. L. Butlin and N. Howard.

<u>The Minutes</u> of the previous General Committee Meeting were read and <u>accepted</u> a true record.

# MATTERS ARISING:

<u>The Captain commented</u> on the success of the <u>Open Mixed Event</u> and cleared up one or two other items mentioned in the aid Minutes.

## GREENS COMMITTEE:

The Report had now been received from the representative employed by Messrs. Fisons, which was in reference to the eighth fairway. This was read to the Meeting by the Handicap Secretary who gave his own comments, where appropriate. This was approved in principle. Various views were also put to the Meeting, i.e. A trench would be dug along the fence to the right of the eighth fairway, in the 'new land'. The new Spiker would be used to assist drainage

<u>The Mole attachment</u> which had been modified by Mr. Howard, had enabled our Ground Staff to lay the new water pipes, and this should now prove a success and mean that pipes could be laid wherever we required over the Course.

<u>The Captain</u> gave a resumé of this work.

<u>The Committee Members Resolved</u> that a <u>Thatcher Machine</u> be hired at an approximate cost of £20.

### BAR COMMITTEE:

<u>The Bar Secretary Reported</u> the fact that the <u>Stocktaker</u> had not taken stock when he had been requested to and a Report, therefore, could not be presented to the Committee at this time.

Mr. Greenhough had made strenuous efforts to see that this work would be carried out, but he could only suggest that he made an appointment with the Stocktaker to enable him to thrash out these matters with a frank discussion.

<u>It was resolved</u> that a Sub-Committee comprising the Captain, Secretary, Captain-Elect, Bar Secretary and his Assistant meet to review <u>Prices charged in the Bar</u>.

<u>The Committee agreed</u> to <u>close</u> the <u>Club House</u> on <u>Sunday evenings</u> as from <u>18<sup>th</sup></u> <u>October, 1970</u> at <u>7-30 p.m.</u>

<u>The injury sustained by Mr. Gibson</u> was the considered and it was agreed, on principle, that he should be reimbursed, if such an occasion arose and thought necessary, when his claim had been agreed with the Ministry of Social Security.

Mr. & Mrs. Cowan, were given leave-of-absence on Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 1970 as being one of the days off which was due to them.

**HOUSE** 

The Locker Tenancies had not as yet, been Resolved, therefore further efforts would <u>COMMITTEE</u>: be made by the House Secretary and his Assistant to clear this matter.

On 17<sup>th</sup> November, 1970 the Ladies would be organising a Mixed Bridge Drive.

The House Secretary would apply for an extension on New Year's Eve.

Owing to the absence of the Treasurer no Report was presented.

### **NOMINATIONS**

RESIGNATIONS: The death of Mr. S. Hall was recorded with regret.

The resignation of Mr. K.W. Wolstenholme for the Season 1971/2 was noted, also the transfer from Full Playing Male Member to Social Member of Mr. P. Stott for the next Season was agreed.

After the usual ballot, the following new Members were accepted: -

proposed by G.V. Ambler seconded by H. Craig R.H. Mansergh (Full Playing Male). seconded by S.A. Newton proposed by J.W. Stephenson M.Downs (Junior Boy).

The Committee Resolved that the full Entrance Fee would be payable, where applicable, and half Subscriptions requested in each case.

CORRESPONDENCE: The General Secretary stated that he had now received a reply from the Golf Management re Jim Buckley and still no date had been afforded the Club. The Committee therefore, decided to leave this matter for the Season because of the time factor.

## **HANDICAP COMMITTEE**:

Owing to the Handicap Secretary being detained on business, the Captain gave a resumé on the yardage of the Course and the possibilities of changing certain holes, together with the strokes appertaining to these. This would have the effect of bringing the Standard Scratch to 69 and par to 70. (i.e. comparison total length of approximately 6,090 yards, as from 6,122 yards, but these measurements would have to be re-checked).

The Handicap Secretary, at this stage, joined the Meeting and gave some views and information on this matter. He went on to state that certain local rules printed on Score Cards, together with yardages and strokes, required amending, where applicable.

<u>Certain Handicap revisions</u> were then formally approved.

Mr. Scowcroft then mentioned the possibilities of donating Runner-up Prizes out of Club Funds for Major Competitions in the future, and the amount involved could perhaps be increased.

This would be investigated for future reference next Season.

<u>The Handicap Committee</u> would meet shortly to review the Handicaps for the Annual Revisions.

<u>A Vote of Thanks to the Captain</u> for presiding closed the Meeting, the next Committee Meeting would be held on Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> November, 1970.

Signed J.W. Stephenson Captain
Date 12/11/70