

General Committee Meeting held 20th March 1952

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

The Minutes of the last Meeting held on February 21st 1952 were read & confirmed.

The Minutes of the Handicap, House & Greens Committee were approved & adopted.

Accounts amounting to £235-5-4 were passed for payment.

G Henshaw L^{td} £128-2-6, C Pugh L^{td} £14-1-5, Esso Petro; £3-11-10, A L & J Beattie £4-8-2, Tom King £24-16-11, F S & D L^{td} Fire Extinguishers £9-19-10, S Cartwright £2-3-9, E B Hartley £3-4-8, J Andrew & Co £28-14-6, J Hall L^{td} £1-1-0, H Taylor (Boiler Repairs) £5-11-10, Hurst Laundry £2-0-10, W Brown & Son £2-5-0, Insurance 15/-, Sec Expenses £4-8-1.

The following duly proposed and Seconded were admitted to Full Membership by Ballot.

Full	D ^r Alan T Wilson	2 Manchester R ^d Ashton	
	M ^{rs} E Seddon	1 Sherdley R ^d Crumpsall M/c	N L Wright
	M ^{rs} E Ashton	7 Gambrel Grove Ashton	N Sykes
	M ^{rs} A Fryer	7 Gambrel Grove Ashton	N L Wright
	M ^{rs} V Ambler	Kings R ^d Ashton	T H E D Turner
	M ^{rs} D Doohan	278 Birch Lane Dukinfield	N Sykes
Junior	M ^r W P Wood	7 Brookfield Grove Ashton	H H Broadbent
	Mr G T Wood	7 Brookfield Grove Ashton	T H E D Turner
	Mr T M Rawle	100 Cavendish St Ashton	W C Woods
			J Doohan
			E Rowley
			W Derbyshire
			H Schofield
			W Derbyshire
			H Schofield
			D J Rawle
			H Greaves

The following transfers were approved and accepted.

M ^r H Swallow	Playing to Honorary Member
M ^r G Hough	Playing to Honorary Member
M ^r J C Green	Playing to Honorary Member
M ^{rs} A Hobson	Playing to Honorary Member
M ^{rs} A Shaw	Playing to Honorary Member
Miss H Barker	Playing to Honorary Member

The following resignations were accepted with regret viz: - M^r L Schofield M^r E Smethurst, D^r Twomey, M^r A Scholes, M^r F Knowlson, M^r H Ridyard, M^{rs} H Ridyard, M^{rs} L Schofield, M^{rs} E Smethurst, M^{rs} N Crawford, Miss M Shaw, M^{rs} M Cooper, Miss B Cooper, M^r E Buckley (Country), M^{rs} Cose, M^r H Bennison (Honorary) and M^r ~~W~~ T M Heaward (Junior)

The Steward attended the Meeting and complained that Members were going into the Dining Room whilst wearing Studded Shoes.

The Secretary was advised to post a Notice to the effect that the Committee request that Members do not enter the Dining Room when wearing Studded Shoes.

Proposed by M^r J H Firth, seconded by M^r A Hobson that the Salary of the Steward be increased from £5-0-0 per week to £5-17-6 per week to conform with the regulations of the Licensed Establishments Wages Board from 2/3/52. Carried.

The Secretary was instructed to write each Member that has not paid Subscriptions for the year, to the effect that the Committee take a very serious view of the matter and advise them to pay their Subscriptions without further delay.

A letter was read from M^r W E Sowerbutts asking permission be granted for his son Peter to be transferred from Junior to Senior Membership. Proposed by M^r R Wood, seconded by M^r V Haworth that M^r Sowerbutts be written on the matter that he could make a further application when his son has attained the age of 18 years when the case will be given consideration by the Committee.
(Carried)

The case of Subscription to the Lancashire Golf Union was again left in abeyance until after the Annual Meeting of Lancashire Golf Union to be held on March 25th in Manchester; the Handicap Sec and Hon Sec were deputed to attend this meeting.

The Suggestion Book was produced containing a request, signed by Eight Members that in view of the change of Rule for out of Bounds we suggest the penalty at the 6th Hole was now too severe for a moderately pulled shot, and the trench should now be dispensed with.

After discussion it was decided by the Committee that no action be taken for alteration of out of Bounds at this Hole.

The Secretary and M^r Brooks met the Representatives of the Electricity Board regarding their proposal to lay an Electric Cable across the course; the Electricity Board have now decided to take to Cable down Gorsey Lane to the Corner of the 16th Fairway, from that point the Cable will be taken overhead by Poles erected along the Hedge of the 16th Fairway.

The Secretary reported that a Cheque value £9-16-9 for Sale of Basket Chairs & Tables had been received, also a cheque value £3-15-0 had been received for Sale of Magnets.

A request was made from the Ladies Committee asking permission to play from the Ladies Competition Tees on the occasion of their Match in the Bell Cup on March 31st.

The Secretary was instructed to write the Ladies Secretary granting this request.

The Captain and Secretary have inspected the Fireplace in the Stewards living Room, with a view to replacement, also a Workman from Griersons has inspected the Fireplace and advises that a replacement would not be satisfactory; after discussion the matter was left in the hands of the Secretary to make enquiries from Property Repairers regarding purchase of a Bungalow Range.

It was resolved that the Club revert to its normal hours of closing from and including the 30th March.

It was resolved that Teeing up on the Fairways be discontinued from the 5th April.

The Secretary reported that a Post Card had been received from the Edco Fuel Savers Co, that the

matter of their representative visiting the Club House was receiving attention.

A letter was received from M^r S Cartwright (Carriers) stating that all charges from now on will be increased by 10%.

Letters from Samuel Reeves re scoring cards and British Bamboo Co re Flagg Staffs were read and it was decided they "Lie on the Table".

The Meeting terminated with vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding.

T H E D Turner
17/4/52