

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE BROADOAK HOTEL,  
ASHTON-under-LYNE ON <sup>TUESDAY</sup> ~~THURSDAY~~, 6th MARCH, 1973 at 7-30 p.m.

PRESENT: The Captain (Mr.C.W.Cooper) in the Chair and the President (Mr.F.Cooper) and approximately 100 Members.

The Captain opened the Meeting and welcomed those present. He then requested the Members to stand in silence in respect of those who had died during the year. These included Mrs.J.Buckley and Mrs.F.W.Wright, Messrs.A.Butler, W.Derbyshire, W.Meeks, J.Miller, T.Potts, C.Walker and E.Whitehead.

The General Secretary was requested to read the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2nd March, 1972 and the Special General Meeting held on 23rd January, 1973. These were accepted a true and correct record.

MATTERS No matters were raised.  
ARISING:

TREASURER'S

REPORT: Mr.L.Butlin gave a detailed Report on the financial situation and a break-down on the figures for the accounting year under review and the comparison with the previous year. He was pleased to Report that there was a surplus of income over expenditure of £2,586.

AUDITORS'  
REPORT:

Mr.B.Kay Reported that he and Mr.W.Pickles had examined all accounts to their satisfaction. He remarked that "the Members' monies were more than safe". It was Proposed by Mr.E.B.Hartley and seconded by Mr.J.L.Brodie that the accounts be adopted and carried unanimously.

SECRETARY'S  
REPORT:

The Secretary Reported that the past year had been a momentous one for the Club, in that terms had been agreed with Stamford Estates for the purchase of half of the Course, and the West Pennine Water Board had promised a lease of at least 28 years for the other half. A good response had been made to the various schemes for the raising of the necessary capital for the Land Purchase, and a grant of £10,000 would be forthcoming from the National Sports Council.

He spoke of the necessity of planning the Course for the future, but pointed out that we were very much restricted by the possible siting of an underground reservoir in the new land near Dirk Farm.

The running of the Club had proceeded smoothly and all sections had enjoyed a successful year.

He concluded by thanking all Members for their co-operation.



SUBSCRIPTIONS: The Treasurer presented his estimates of Income and Expenditure for the coming year. The recommended increases in Subscriptions, as set out in the Annual Meeting Notice, proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by the General Secretary, were passed without amendment.

Alteration to Constitutional Rule 5 (B).

It was Agreed that the Rule be changed to read as follows:-

"When a request, signed by not less than 30 Members, is presented to the Secretary, the requisition must state clearly the resolution to be submitted to the meeting, and no other business shall be considered."

SOCIAL  
COMMITTEE:

Mr.A.Brierley gave his Report on Social Events, culminating in an overall surplus of £175, after paying for the Coloured Television Rental and purchasing a new microphone. He expressed the hope that all events in the new season would be well supported.

NEW  
CAPTAIN:

Proposed by Mr.C.W.Cooper and seconded by Mr.A.N.Howard that Mr.P.W.Carter, J.P. be Captain for the ensuing year. The proposition was carried and musical honours given. Mr.Carter thanked all present for the honour conferred on him and presented all Members with a Golf Ball. He then spoke of his many ideas in the furtherance of Social and Golf activities and stated that he would be responsible for each member of his Committee. He went on to give a Vote of thanks to Mr.C.W.Cooper (Ex-Captain) and spoke of the way the ex-captain had conducted himself during his year of office and said that he had never "lost his cool".

Mr.Cooper thanked all his Officers for their support during the year and said that he had thoroughly enjoyed his year of office.

PRESIDENT:

Mr.F.Cooper proposed and Mr.J.Harrop seconded Mr.W.O.Bolt as our next President. This was carried unanimously with musical honours.

Mr.Bolt responded and said that he much appreciated the honour and was looking forward to the next twelve months. He then gave a Vote of thanks to the retiring president, Mr.F. Cooper for his two years in office.

Mr.Cooper replied and said that he had become very involved with the workings of the Club during this period and would certainly miss the regular Committee Meetings. He too, had enjoyed his two years in office.

CAPTAIN- Mr.J.W.Stephenson proposed and Mr.F.Robinson seconded  
ELECT: the nomination of Mr.W.Roberts as Captain-Elect.  
Mr.Roberts replied and said that he hoped all Members  
would support the new Captain this year and that he  
would have their support the following year.

ELECTION OF

OFFICERS: TREASURER, Mr.L.Butlin  
SECRETARY, Mr.F.Robinson  
Hon.AUDITORS: Messrs.B.Kay and W.Pickles

As these nominations were unopposed, they were put to  
the Meeting en bloc and carried unanimously.

GENERAL COMMITTEE:

Messrs.A.N.Howard, G.R.Windsor and J.Edwards were  
re-elected for three years and Mr.T.Yaxley was  
re-elected for one year.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

The following were elected:-

Messrs.A.Brierley, T.E.Yaxley, R.Ferris, R.Frost, R.H.Meeks,  
S.Bennett ~~and~~ J.Merriman. + W.ROBERTS


ANY OTHER It was suggested that a change be made in the law in  
BUSINESS: the Constitution relating to Gambling.

A query was raised regarding the tenancy of Dirk Farm.  
It was explained that we had applied to the West Pennine  
Water Board for the tenancy and were awaiting the outcome.

Mr.Gillett would have completed 25 years service next year  
and it was suggested that the Club mark this occasion in a  
suitable manner. This would be considered.

It was Agreed, on a show of hands, that we proceed with  
the inauguration of a "200 Club".

The Meeting closed at 11-10 p.m. with a VOTE OF THANKS  
to the Captain for presiding.

Signed..........Captain

Date.....7-3-74.....