General Committee Meeting 19 February 1948

Present: - J H Firth (Cap), C I Baker, R Bennett, H H Cawthron, A Hobson E S Jones, H Ridyard, H R Schofield, H Swallow T H E D Turner & R Wood.

Apologies for absence were received from F Jones, F Thornley.

Before commencing the business of the Meeting, the Captain referred to the death of an old member of the Club M^r Charles Barlow and the members stood in silence as a tribute to his memory.

The Minutes of the last Meeting held January 15th were read and approved.

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

The following accounts were passed for payment:-

Postmaster General	Telephone	14	5	8
R W Lansley	Decorating	22	18	0
Kenworthys Ld	Spoons	29	10	6
Tom King	Coal	8	1	3
J W Hall Ld	Sundries	1	2	0
S Cartwright	Ashes		12	6
Ashton Gas Co	Gas	9	11	10
Waterworks Ctee	Water Rent	1	13	9
T Fish	Glazing	1	11	0
J Andrew & Co Ld	Printing Rules	9	10	0
Sutton & Son	Repairing Chairs	4	10	0
Hurst Laundry		1	13	9
Petroleum Board		2	4	9
		£107	2	11

The following were admitted to membership by ballot: -

Full Members P A Jones 98 Old St Ashton

Lady Members

Geoffrey Gibson Market Av Ashton

H Wolstencroft 100 Thornfield Grove Ashton

E A Woodger 159 Henrietta St Ashton Mrs L Buckley 66 Stockport Rd Ashton

Mrs Norman Jones 20 Woodlands Rd Ashton

Mrs Caldwell 37 Heys Rd Ashton

Miss Margaret Hall Spring Bank Ashton

Honorary Members Mrs H Holden 402 Kings Rd Ashton

Mrs H D Hall Belfort Rosehill Rd Ashton

Junior Member W R Brown 10 Weymouth Rd

The resignation of Miss S B Shawcross was accepted with regret.

The Secretary reported on Subscriptions outstanding and the steps he had taken for recovery.

A letter was read from the Lancs War Agricultural Executive Committee requesting continued cooperation in the matter of grazing or cultivation during 1948 and the Secretary was instructed to reply.

Resolved: That the application of M^r H Hall of Gorsey Lane Farm for the privilege of grazing the 14 acre field be granted for one year ending 24th March 1949 on the same terms as last year.

It was decided that the usual hours of opening the Club-house be resumed as from Sunday March 14th until further notice.

The application from the Pro for an increase in ay was further considered and it was decided that he be granted an increase of 10/- per week from 19/1/1948. 35/- to 45/-.

Resolved: That the quotation of Messrs Kenworthys for the supply of Silver Spoons be accepted and the Secretary was authorised to purchase 50 at the price quoted. £1 each.

A letter was received from the Oldham Chronicle stating that it had been decided to resume the Oldham and District Golf Championship this Season on July 10th and inviting our own members to compete. Also that it may be that an Oldham & District Golfing Society will be formed. The next Meeting will be at the Oldham Chronicle Office on April 7th and representatives from Ashton will be welcomed. It was decided that Representatives from the Club attend the Meeting.

The suggestion book was produced containing a request signed by members for better ventilation in the Smoke Room. It was decided that this matter shall receive the attention of the Committee.

J H Firth 18/3/48