

**Annual General Meeting:
Saturday 7th May 1949.**

Present: M^r J H Firth Captain in the Chair and 50 members.

The Captain opened the meeting by extending a welcome to the members present and gave a short resumé of the work of the past six months.

In the absence of the Secretary for health reasons, M^r Turner read the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 2nd October 1948 which were confirmed.

The Treasurer presented the Income and Expenditure Account for the year ending the 24th March 1949 and reported in detail on the various items in the Accounts and the financial position generally.

On the motion of M^r W Walker, seconded by M^r J Whitehead, the accounts, as presented were approved and adopted.

A vote of thanks to the Treasurer for his work during the past year was moved by M^r K Gregory, seconded by M^r W Derbyshire and carried by acclamation.

The Auditors gave their report and stated that they found the books in order and stressed the valuable work done by M^r H H Cawthron in his capacity as House Secretary

A vote of thanks to the Auditors was moved by M^r J Payne and seconded by M^r A Shaw and carried by acclamation.

The secretary's report was read and on the motion of the Captain seconded by M^r W H Andrew our best thanks for his services and best wishes for return to normal health were carried unanimously.

At this point, the Captain reported he had received apologies for absence from M^r F Thornley and M^r E S Jones and it was decided to send to M^r Jones a message of good will and best wishes for a speedy recovery.

M^r Burlinson, Social Secretary gave a report on the work of the Social Committee and commented on the various events which had been organised, and expressed his regret and that of the Committee at the loss of the valuable services of M^r N S Dale and tendered to him the thanks of the Committee and his own personal thanks.

On the motion of M^r J C Payne, seconded by M^r P Jones, the report was accepted.

A vote of thanks to M^r Burlinson for his services moved by M^r J Buckley and seconded by M^r H Schofield was received with acclamation.

The meeting then proceeded to elect two members of the Club to the Social Committee and M^r H Burlinson and M^r S H Battersby were unanimously elected.

The Captain expressed his thanks to M^r H C Price for his kind offer to provide curtains for the windows in the professional's hut.

M^r C I Baker proposed and M^r W Walker seconded that ballot papers be posted with the notices of the Autumn General Meeting and that a ballot box be placed in the Smoke Room or the Vestibule so

that all members had an opportunity to vote for the Officers of the Club

M^r W H Andrew proposed, M^r J Hague seconded that the proposed resolution go as recommendation to the Committee and that if the Committee do not agree to the Resolution due notice will be given to the members. Amendment carried.

M^r W Walker proposed and M^r H Schofield seconded that optional sweeps on Competition days be re-introduced and that money won in the Sweep to be spent with the Professional. Motion lost.

The Committee were asked in view of the congestion on the Course on Competition Days to consider having starting times.

M^r N S Dale requested that a notice be place on the tables in the Dining Room requesting members to vacate their seats on completion of meals.
Agreed.

M^r N S Dale requested that a “ground under repair” notice be placed in front of the 5th green where the turf had been disturbed during the winter and the Captain agreed to bring the matter before the Committee.

M^r K Gregory requested that a Locker List be compiled and that locker be provided for all lockers. It was reported that a card was being printed with the numbers of all lockers and members would be asked to sign against their respective lockers.

M^r S Hall requested that some kind of lockers be provided in the professional’s hut, but after a long discussion it was decided that the matter be left for the time being.

The question of a more explicit definition of the “Out of Bounds at the 6th hole was left to the Committee to consider.

The Captain presented the prizes for the Competition held during the day to the Winners, Messrs H Lawton & N L Wright and duly appointed them as the first “Top Dogs” which had been presented by Messrs P Jones & H Kellett.

A vote of thanks to the Captain concluded the Meeting.

J H Firth
Captain