

## Meeting held at Hurst Hall Monday 10 Mar 1913 8 30 p,m

Present: M<sup>r</sup> Kenworthy in the chair. ~~Messrs W H Andrew~~ D<sup>r</sup> Hamilton, D<sup>r</sup> Bleasdale, Messrs W H Andrew, H G Hall, H H Knight, T F Kershaw, A Morris, Parnaby, Whitworth & Slatter.

M<sup>r</sup> Kenworthy explained that the House Committee recommend J Knight, recently greenkeeper at the Prestwich Club for the post of caretaker. M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Knight were interviewed by the Committee Resolved that M<sup>r</sup> & M<sup>rs</sup> Knight be appointed subject o confirmation of recommendations by the Secretary of Prestwich Golf Club.

Minutes of Previous Meeting read and confirmed.

Business arising.

Resolved that without binding this Club in any way, the S<sup>t</sup> John's Fishing Club be allowed to continue to enjoy the privilege of fishing the pond near the Club House on condition that no new members be entered. The fee to be paid to this Club in future in place of M<sup>r</sup> Bowler and the tenancy terminable by either side at six months notice.

**Handicap Committee's Report:** M<sup>r</sup> Knight reported the Calendar for the Sseason to be:-

April 12 Opening Day.

26 Handicapping Competition.

May 10 Handicapping Competition

24 Handicapping Competition

June 7 Mixed Foursomes

28 Summer Meeting (Captain's Prize)

July 26 Bogey Competition

Sept 6 Autumn Meeting (President's Prize).

### Conditions

- 1) The Championship Cup  
The 16 players returning the best gross scores at the Summer and Autumn meetings will qualify to play off for the Cup by match play.
- 2) For the Summer and Autumn Meetings 6<sup>d</sup> will be charged for each card taken out. For all other competitions 3<sup>d</sup> will be charged.
- 3) On handicapping competition days prizes will be given and every card must be returned.

In Match Play Strokes must be taken as under:-

Strokes: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18

Holes: 15 2 14 4 12 7 8 18 13 17 1 10 6 3 9 16 11 5

Report of length of holes and total length of course 5152 yds.

Bogey 79

The Calendar with lists of Officers and Committees etc. to be issued to members.

It was resolved that the Report be accepted.



For a normal season the income was estimated at £599 and the expenditure at £509 leaving a surplus of £90. The Secretary suggested that the amount of loan fund authorised to be raised should be altered from £400 to £700. The difference between the original estimates and the present was accounted for ~~the by the unforeseen unexpected~~ change in policy in regard t drainage. We were draining efficiently the whole course so that after next winter the links would be playable in winter as well as summer. It had been expected that this expenditure would be spread over a number of years but it was contended that to carry out the work immediately, would add greatly to the prestige of the Club and to the enjoyment of the game.

The difference was also partly accounted for by the expenditure on lockers for which there had not enough money been allowed.

In view of the heavy expenditure during the year, M<sup>r</sup> Kenworthy offered to forego the rent on the Clubhouse for the year. It was also resolved to accept M<sup>r</sup> Kenworthy's offer to forego the rent and also his offer to furnish the men's Club room and the Committee tendered to him the thanks of the Club for his generosity.

It was resolved to hold a General Meeting of the Members at the Club house in May for consideration of the finances, when the Meeting would be asked to authorise the raising of £700 by loans.

The Chairman suggested giving a house warming on the occasion.

It was resolved, on the suggestion of the Greens Committee to appoint Roberts as second groundsman at 24/- per week.

It was resolved to elect M<sup>r</sup> Rupert Wood of 70 Turner Lane, a member of the Club.

It was resolved to elect M<sup>r</sup> Brown, the postmaster of Ashton, a member of the Club.

It was resolved that the Local Rules be included in the Calendar Book.

It was that the Secretary arrange for the installation of a telephone if possible, a 1<sup>d</sup> in the slot box for the Club.

It was resolved that the Handicap Committee arrange for handicap cards etc.

M<sup>r</sup> H G Hall explained that J Bowler had considered giving up the land at present leased from him by the Golf Club and that if a change should take place the Club might arrange to take the land direct from the Earl of Stamford's Trustees at a rent of 24<sup>s</sup>/6<sup>d</sup> per acre. On these terms we should have to pay £37 rent and £1 tithe for Bowler's land. M<sup>r</sup> Bowler had since decided to leave the matter for the present.

John W Kenworthy.