

Annual Meeting Saturday May 7th 1927.

Present: M^r Reg Bennett the chair and thirty members present.

The Minutes of the last Annual Autumn Meeting were read and adopted.

The Balance Sheet and Financial Statement was explained by the Treasurer M^r Robson, who gave details of income and expenditure and on the motion of M^r Ludlam, seconded by Ja^s Kershaw, same was adopted.

A vote of thanks was given to M^r Robson for his services as Treasurer and M^r Robson acknowledged.

The Secretary's Report was then read and the adoption of same was moved by M^r E Williamson, seconded by M^r F Moss and carried with acclamation and the secretary was thanked for his services.

The action of the Committee in respect to the spreading of the entrance fee of new members over a period, Gentlemen 3 Years and Ladies 2 Years was approved.

M^r Ridyard moved and M^r GF Moss seconded that it be a recommendation to the Committee with power to act, to consider the question of accepting subscriptions pro rata from the time of joining as a member up to the 25th March, the end of the year and after discussion this was passed.

The Captain M^r Bennett, mentioned that two members of the Committee, M^r Herbert and M^r Whitworth were not present owing to illness and that he would like them to know that the meeting extended sympathy to them and hoped that they would speedily be restored to health.

The Captain then went on to say that he congratulated M^r Robson on his report and explanation of the balance sheet, also for his interim statements of account and mention the amount of work he had done; he said that it was not satisfactory that we were losing money. The Cattle Fund was satisfactory up to a point, and that it was the intention of the Committee to appeal to those members who had not yet subscribed.

The profit derived from the shop would be still greater if members would give it their wholehearted support and the Club would greatly profit thereby.

M^r Ridyard said that we would suggest that the improvement of the Course be concentrated upon so as to attract new members and retain the old. Several members spoke in this connection and it was pointed out that the Committee had used every endeavour to improve the course, they were still doing so and that the Course had improved vastly; also that it was necessary "if further improvement were required" to have a greater income.

Several members spoke and said how pleased they were with the general condition of the Course.

M^r Lohead appealed for prizes for the Invitation Four Ball Competition, he promised one himself and asked for others.

M^r J H Taylor appealed for other events in the Calendar.

A vote of thanks to the Auditors moved by M^r W Moore, seconded by M^r P C Firth was given and carried with acclamation and M^r Ja^s Kershaw replied.

M^r T Earnshaw asked for the names of the gentlemen who had given seats for the Course and they were given as follows: - M^r S W Herbert, M^r J H Taylor and M^r F Moss and the meeting thanked them for their generosity.

M^r W H Andrew proposed a vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding, seconded by M^r R Wood and carried and M^r Bennett acknowledged.

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