

**Minutes of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE ON SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH, 1958**

Present The President, The Captain (Mr. J. Buckley, J.P.) in the chair and 68 members.

The Captain referred to the deaths of Mrs. F.L. Boardman, and Messrs. R. Whitfield, T.G. Wood, J.M. Williamson, H. Howarth, R.H. Smith and F. Cowan and members stood as a mark of respect.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 1957 were read and approved.

The Financial Statement was reported on by the Hon. Treasurer. During the past year the club had 37 entrants (25 men and 12 ladies), a net increase of nine members. During the last year green fees had realised £228, which represented 875 temporary members and this income had doubled over the last two years. Similarly the House account income had increased by £1,000 in comparing the year to 24<sup>th</sup> March, 1956 and the year to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1957.

The Treasurer noted that relief in the rating assessment of £148 had been obtained over the last two years and that a Raeburn cooker had been written off in the cost of Heating and Lighting. Increases in the Reserves were also noted. The final surplus for the year was £52.8.4. giving a cumulative surplus on Income and Expenditure account of £332.16.3.

Mr. Greenhough pointed out the Social Committee profits were reflected in the Bar takings.

Mr. W. Lowe asked if consideration had been given to paying off more of the bank loan out of the large current account held. Mr. Butlin replied that in calculation of interest the current account could be set off, but not if it was held as deposit account.

Mr. F. Cooper then proposed the accounts be adopted and this was carried unanimously.

The Captain informed the meeting that a decision had been made to appoint Mrs. Cowan stewardess with the help of Mrs. Osbourne in the Bar as required and the services of a cellarman and a cleaner. The cost to the club would be similar to that incurred during the previous year.

Presentation to Mr. Cawthron.

The President on behalf of the members, presented Mr. Cawthron the retiring House Secretary with a Silver Cigarette box, in appreciation of his services and as a token of the members affection for him. The President said he had been associated with Mr. Cawthron during his 17 years as House Secretary and felt it was a real example of the service a member could give to a club, which had been nearly a full time job in his retirement. He hoped Mr. Cawthron would soon be restored to good health. The Captain said it had been Mr. Cawthron's ambition to make a Bar profit of £1,000 and he had achieved this. The Club wished to offer him Life Membership which was approved heartily by the members. Mr. Cawthron responding said he had enjoyed the work and was glad he had achieved his ambition in Bar profits. He would be very pleased to give any help he could to the club and wished it every prosperity.

Auditors Report: Mr. H. Sagar and Mr. R. Shepherd reported the Accounting records were in order and congratulated Mr. Butlin on the way they were kept.

Mr. H. Burlinson proposed a vote of thanks to the Treasurer, House Secretary, Assistant House Secretary and Hon. Auditors.

#### Alteration to Rue 15 re Green Fees

Mr. Derbyshire proposed and it was unanimously carried that rule 15 be amended and the Green Fees charges be increased from 3/6d per day to 4/6d per day on weekdays and 5/0d per day to 6/0d per day on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays.

The Secretary gave his report for the year which is filed with the records. The Captain proposed a vote of thanks to the Secretary and Handicap Secretary.

The Social Secretary (Mr. C.B. Baxendale) gave his report and said a profit of £43.1.9. had been made.

Mr. W.O. Bolt thanked the retiring Captain Mr. J. Buckley and said the successful year we had had was due to his energetic leadership of the club.

#### Election of Officers

Mr. R. Lees was then proposed by Mr. J. Buckley as Captain for the ensuing year and said that he was sure Mr. Lees would add distinction to the club as Captain. Mr. W.O. Bolt seconded and the new Captain was received with musical honours. Mr. Lees said it was a proud moment in his life and was appreciative of the honour conferred on him and he would do his best to uphold the high traditions of the club.

Mr. L. Butlin was proposed as Hon. Treasurer by Mr. A. George and seconded by Mr. J. M. Riley; and Mr. R. A. Calvert was proposed as Hon. Secretary by Mr. F. J. Rowley and seconded by Mr. A. Shaw, and Messrs. R. Shepherd and H. L. Sagar proposed as Hon. Auditors by Mr. F. J. Rowley and Mr. R. Clough. These were carried unanimously. Mr. A. V. Powrie then proposed thanks to the President, Captain and Committee for their services during the past year. After a ballot the following were elected to the five vacancies (sic) on the Committee:

W.O. Bolt proposed by J.L. Brodie and seconded by R.A. Calvert

H.H. Broadbent J.P. proposed by A. Lees and seconded by A.G. Thewlis ~~for a period of three years.~~

H. Greaves proposed by A. Whitworth and seconded by P.A. Jones for a period of three years.

J.H. Firth proposed by W. Lowe and seconded by E.F. Widdop.

E.B. Hartley proposed by H. Greaves and seconded by F. Cooper for a period of two years.

Messrs. C. B. Baxendale and J. L. Brodie were elected to the Social committee

#### Any other Business:

The prizes for the competition of the day – a Stabelford – were presented to the winners Messrs. N. Howard and V. Ambler (48 points) by the Captain who was runner up with the Ex-Captain – Mr. J. Buckley (46 points).

Mr. W. Lowe proposed that in future meetings ballot papers be handed out before the meeting started to avoid waste of time.

Mr. Ambler asked if the position of the Trolley Room could be investigated as it was congested and more rails were required.

Mr. H. Crowther asked if Sunday competitions could be reduced.

There was also discussion regarding the Winter Fourball competition but it was agreed to carry this on in its present form.

Mr. N. Sykes proposed a vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding.

R Lees  
7 March 1959.