

Minutes of the Meeting of the General Committee
held in the Clubhouse on Thursday 12th December 1957

Present: Captain (Mr J Buckley JP) in the Chair and Messrs: L Butlin, J H Firth, H H H H Cawthron, H F Haselden, H Greaves, R A Calvert, K Gregory, W O Bolt, S Battersby,

Apologies for Absence: - Mr R Lees.

Death of Mr Roland Whitfield: - The Committee stood as a mark of respect to the ex-Secretary before the Meeting commenced.

Minutes of the Handicap, House, Greens and General Committee: Held on 14th November 1957 were read and approved.

Matters arising from Minutes.

Insurance Cover: The meeting of the Hon. Treasurer and Hon. Legal Advisor had taken place regarding the liability for Club Members equipment left in the locker room. Hon. Legal Advisor thought no liability attaches to the Club through lack of "Insurable Interest". It was agreed the insurance policy be adjusted to delete "for which the Club is responsible" but first the legal position would be ascertained from the National Golf Clubs Protection Association.

Arrears of Subscriptions: Members whose subscriptions in arrears had been written to by the Treasurer and Secretary. It was decided to treat as resignations P R Potter – no address – letter returned. B W Broadbent – a letter received stating returned on 25th March 1957.

Clubhouse Repairs: The Captain had circulated for specifications.

Three specifications for pointing etc. were considered and it was decided to accept the tender of Wm Pearce and Adams for £23.

Flagpole:

It was agreed a specification would be drawn up by the Captain to cover pointing of the wall at the rear of the Clubhouse and building of small parapet round the grid at the corner of the building near the professionals shop and tenders be invited for this work.

Flagpole: No estimate had been received as yet.

Financial Aid from Breweries: Mr Bolt reported that the Breweries had loaned the money free of interest on condition that the sale of the Breweries beer was undertaken for four years. Repayment was being made by addition to the price of beer. No further action would be taken.

Appointment of Vice-Captain and rule amendment.

It was proposed the Captain would confer with the President and Mr Firth to consider the amendment before the next meeting.

Treasurers Report:

Accounts to the value of £272.3.2 were approved for payment.

Extension of Licence:

It was agreed to apply for an extension for ~~Boxing Day (Thursday 26th December)~~

~~until 11.30 p.m. and~~ New Year's Eve (Tuesday) until 1.30 a.m. Club would close at 2 a.m.

Allowance for Decoration of Club:

A grant of £3 was agreed.

Christmas Gratuities:

It was agreed to pay £1 each to the Professional and Wife, Steward and Wife, Greenkeeper and Staff and Mrs Osbourne.

Signature of Cheques:

It was unanimously agreed the Secretary be empowered to sign cheques and notice of this should be forwarded to the Westminster Bank.

New Members:

The application for membership was approved of: -
Mr. G. J. Sanderson of R.A.P.C. who was proposed as a Country Member by J. Buckley, seconded by Mr. G. S. Howarth.

Fire:

A fire was reported on Wednesday 11th December, 1957 in Mr. Cowan's room. T. Fish had been asked to give estimate of repair and it was agreed a new fireplace would be fixed. The insurance claim would be forwarded by the Secretary.

Correspondence:

- (1) National Golf Clubs Protection Association: Subscription due £1.0.0. This was passed to the Treasurer for payment.
- (2) Spastic Appeal. It was agreed this should "lie on the table".
- (3) Social Committee It was agreed to open the Smoke Room for Mixed Company on 31st December, 1957 and grant a free bottle of whisky for a raffle.

Locker Flooring: - Gents locker room.

The Captain would enquire from the Ladies Committee if their locker flooring was satisfactory, for further consideration.

Lockers:

It was agreed the Secretary should fix a date in February for clearance of old equipment in the locker rooms and circulate the members regarding this fact.

Appointment of Committee:

The notices for appointment should be brought before the next Meeting.

J Buckley

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