

Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held Thursday August 13th at 7-30 p.m.

Present all Members of the Committee with the exception of Mr A Hobson who was on holiday.

Mr J H Firth Chairman

The Minutes of Handicap, House and Greens Committee were read and approved.

The Minutes of the last Committee Meeting held July 16th were read and approved.

In Business arising the Secretary reported as follows: -

Dirk Farm: -

The Waterworks Committee were meeting today and Mr Whitson will inform us later of the result.

Painting outside Club House: -

Estimates from Messrs J Peace (£130), L Millin £117-12-6) and H Howard (£86-10-0) were presented. The Secretary is to obtain a details specification from H Howard particularly as regards the extra coat of paint and details regarding iron work. A sub-committee consisting of Messrs Firth, Wood and Sykes to have power to deal with this.

Representation of Juniors: -

Mr Dale has agreed to continue to act and Mr Woods was appointed to assist particularly with the Junior Cup arrangements.

Fireplace in Lounge: -

The Ladies' Committee have asked for an early decision so that the account can be paid before the Ladies' financial year ends on September 30th. The Ladies are to be asked to proceed with their arrangements forthwith.

Agreement re: - Remington's Farm: -

Mr Wood is to prepare an Agreement regarding Tenant's obligations.

Bank Accounts: -

It was reported that the necessary transfers from Stalybridge to Ashton had been made.

Raining-in Lounge: -

A verbal report had been given by Batty & Bingham stating that weather lintels required fitting and the frame tightening-up at a cost of approximately £6. This was approved.

Flooring in Professional's Shop: -

Batty & Bingham's estimate for £13-6-0 was accepted subject to the Secretary comparing the price for this with the repair in the locker-room.

Standing of Matches: -

Mr Woods asked for notices to be placed regarding the standing of matches on days apart from Sundays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. 2 ball matches having preference and 3 ball matches having no standing. This was approved.

Doctor Doohan: -

The Secretary reported that a cheque for £5 had been returned to Doctor Doohan against his cheque for £10 for a Captain's Runners-up Prize.

Correspondence: -

There was no correspondence to submit.

Accounts amounting to £84-0-10 were passed.

Applications for Membership were received from:

Mrs E Tanner (Full Member)

Mr Alfred Porter (Country Member)

They were duly elected.

A report from an informal Investigating Committee into the vacancies arising at Autumn Meeting was given by the Secretary who mentioned that on Mr Harrop's elevation to Captaincy there would be 3 Members left on the Committee viz: - Messrs Firth & Cawthron 1 year, and Bolt 2 years there would be thus be vacancies for 3 for 3 years, 2 for 2 years and 1 for 1 year. Mr Firth agreed to prepare a nomination sheet.

Regarding subscriptions unpaid. The Treasurer was preparing a list after which a letter submitted by the Secretary can be sent.

It was agreed that cheques for £3-3-0 be paid to the winners of the Kenworthy Cup, Aitken Cup, Hall Cup, War Trophy and Payne Bowl.

The Handicap Secretary asked for a notice to be placed stating that latest starting time for future competitions be 4.30 p.m. as before.

The preparation of the trophies prior to the Autumn Meeting is to be left to the Handicap Secretary.

It was agreed to consider a Caddies Competition in the Spring of 1954.

Signed. Alan Hobson 17/9/53