

Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held Thursday March 19th 1953

Present: - Mr T H E D Turner (Captain) and Messrs Wright, Bolt, Dale, Harrop, Cooper, Firth, Haworth, Cawthron, W C Woods, Hobson and Sykes.

Mr R Wood sent his apologies due to his Wife's illness.

Mr Cawthron was welcomed on his recovery from illness.

The Handicap Committee Report was presented by Mr F Cooper and approved.

The House Committee Report was given by Mr Bolt on behalf of Mr Cawthron and was accepted. Accounts were passed for payment.

The Minutes of the last General Committee Meeting were read and in business arising the following matters were dealt with: -

Acknowledgement from Nation Golf Clubs' Protection Association.

Arrears. The Captain is to see Mr Ainley and Mr Hoskinson and the Secretary is to contact Mr Hawke and write to Mr Haslam regarding his son's subscription.

Mr Kay and the repair of the gutters. The work has now been done.

Insurance Cover. The Secretary's action in adjusting the cover was approved.

Game-Fee. The tickets as printed by Williamsons were submitted to the Meeting and the Treasurer took charge of them. The Captain agreed to ask the Professional to take charge of the issuing of the tickets.

Regarding outstanding repairs it was decided to appoint a Sub-Committee to examine the Building and recommend which essential repairs should be done. The Committee to consist of: the Captain, Treasurer, Secretary and two ex-captains.

Correspondence. A letter from the Ladies' Section applying for new L.G.U. discs was read. It was agreed to provide new wooden painted discs.

The next meeting of the Lancashire Union of Golf Clubs is called for Tuesday March 24th and Mr Dale and Mr Sykes were deputed to attend.

The wages Return for the Royal Insurance was submitted to the Treasurer for completion.

A letter from V Greenwood applying for permission to cross the Course was received and permission granted.

A sample Coronation Spoon was submitted by Kenworthy's and it was agreed to order eighteen.

A letter from Mr Braithwaite forwarding a cheque for two guineas his Runner's-up prize for the War Trophy. It was accepted with thanks.

Applications for Full Membership were received from: -

Mr D E Lawrance 239 Rosehill Ashton-under-Lyne
Miss A H Lawrance 239 Rosehill Ashton-under-Lyne
Mr T Acton c/o Regent Motor Company, Caroline Street, Stalybridge
Mr W B J Acton c/o Regent Motor Company, Caroline Street, Stalybridge
Mrs J Brodie 1 Allandale Avenue, Audenshaw
Mrs C Wilson Weymouth Road, Ashton-under-Lyne

The applications were accepted subject to the usual posting on the Notice Board.

Applications for Transfer were received as follows:

Mrs G B Jackson from Full to Honorary.
Mrs E Moss from Full to Honorary
Mrs A Lawton from Full to Honorary
Mrs E A Wright from Full to Honorary
Mrs F W Wright from Full to Honorary. They were duly approved.

The following resignations were received: -

Mr J Wills (Full)
Mr J Williamson (Full)
Mr J A Stewart (Full)
Mr & Mrs E Hewitt (Full)
Mrs Norman Wood (Full)
Mrs E Gaunt (Full)
Mr W Monk (Full)
Mrs M Pointon (Full)
Miss H Garside (Full)
Mr E Braithwaite (Full)
Miss M E Stevens (Full)
Mr G B Jackson (Honorary)
Col Handforth (Honorary)
Miss C Howarth (Junior)
Miss M Heathcote (Junior)

The resignations were accepted with regret.

Accounts amounting to £130-14-10 were passed for payment.

The Secretary submitted a letter which he proposes to issue with the Calendars and Rule Books requesting subscriptions and this was approved.

The Captain referred to the recent trouble with the Caddies and his action of censure was confirmed. It was also agreed that the Professional be instructed that there could be no prior booking of Caddies and that they must be numbered-off as they attend and allocated as members apply for them. The Captain to inform him when he did not require a Caddie.

The fact that Dr Doohan had left the District was reported. The Captain mentioned Dr Doohan's responsibility for the Captain's Runner's-up Prize and that if this were not forthcoming Dr O'Kelly as a fellow countryman had agreed to take responsibility for it. The Secretary was asked to send a letter of appreciation to Dr O'Kelly.

Reference was made to the drying-room lights having been broken and the Secretary mentioned that the person responsible had agreed to make the damage good.

The Secretary mentioned that Mr Whitson had given permission for the removal of the Waterworks boundary stones if desired by the Committee.

Permission was granted for a small party from Arnfield's Works to play as visitors on the morning of March 28th.

Discussion took place regarding the liability of Junior Members for subscriptions when they join the Forces and it was decided that National Servicemen would be excused their fees due after call-up but that volunteers who join for a period were liable for subscription.

The Captain reported that Mr T Leech had kindly offered to donate prizes for the Winter Four Ball. A letter of thanks is to be sent. It was agreed that there should also be Runners'-up Prizes.

The Secretary was instructed to obtain new Handicap Lists. It was suggested that they should be printed on the back.

Enquiries had been made by the Stewardess regarding the latest time for service. It was agreed that the Steward and Stewardess were responsible for providing staff for service on Wednesdays and Saturdays until the closing of the Bar as additional staff allowances were made for these days.

It was agreed that the Club should open for normal Summer hours commencing Sunday March 29th.

It was decided that the Handicap Revision Committee should consist of the Calendar Committee viz. Captain and Messrs Cooper, Firth, Harrop, Dale, Hobson and Sykes and that an early Meeting should be arranged.

A question was asked regarding the necessity of Junior members to be children of members, due to the resignation of a few Juniors, it was decided to allow children of non-members to apply until the total membership reached 35.

The Secretary asked to be relieved of some of his present duties and it was agreed that locker

registrations should be taken over by Mr J Harrop and that henceforward the Treasurer deal with the listing and payment of all accounts.

Signed

T H E D Turner

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