

**MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CLUB HOUSE**  
**ON THURSDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 1971.**

PRESENT:                    The Captain (A.N. Howard) in the Chair, the President (F.Cooper) and Messrs: L. Butlin, J.W. Stephenson, F.W. Greenhough, J.T. Frost, W.S. Wrigley, C.W. Cooper, F. Robinson, G.R. Windsor, R. Scowcroft, I.F.W. Kerr, R.H. Meeks, N. Howard and P.W. Carter.

Apology for absence was received from J. Grundy, who was ill.

The Minutes of the last General Committee Meeting were read and approved.

MATTERS ARISING                    The General Secretary was requested to write and obtain name tags for the Junior Members, if the costs involved were reasonable.

The Captain Reported that the Land and the matter of a suitable gift to the memory of J. Whitehead were still in abeyance.

HANDICAP COMMITTEE:                    The Handicap Secretary stated that he was concerned about the stock of Score Cards on hand and the re-ordering of same, when it had not yet been decided which Course would be played during the Winter months. This was generally discussed it was found that owing to the methods of the Green Staff, it may not be necessary to play the short Course for such a long period. Mr. Scowcroft was advised to purchase 5,000 Score Cards for the new Course. He promised to review the wording of Local Rules appertaining to Holes 4, 5, 8 and 11.

The Sub-Committee would meet, as in previous years, to make the annual review on Handicaps, this to be led by the Handicap Secretary and his Assistants together with the Captain.

Owing to the re-introduction of G.M.T., it was Resolved that the November Monthly Medal would be played over 14 holes. Mr. Wrigley mentioned the fact of qualifying for the Payne Bowl and the new conditions appertaining to Winter Medals and this matter would be looked into by the Calendar Committee in due course, who would also decide the two players and conditions of choice to go forward in the "Daily Mail" Competition.

The Captain-Elect promised to liaise with Mr. N.S. Dale in matters relating to the Junior Section, so that smooth running of events and organisation would be maintained as far as possible.

Mr. Butlin requested a decision as to what should be the value of prizes appertaining to the Veterans' Competition and Winter Fourball Competition.

The Major Competition (which Results were recorded on the Honours Board) appeared to be £7.35p, the other two Competitions (i.e. Veterans and Winter Four Ball prizes, to the value of £5.25p, as Resolved in the Meeting.

The Handicap Secretary was requested to post a Notice and also have a letter compiled informing Runner-up Winners exactly what they were entitled to, as far as prizes were concerned.

GREENS  
COMMITTEE

Thanks were due to Mr. N. Howard and Mr. S. Bennett for the assistance afforded the Club in obtaining and assembling a tank to act as a sprayer of weed killer.

The Slit tiner had now been ordered and would be delivered shortly.

The Car Park surfacing was being further proceeded (sic) with when possible. The thanks of the Committee were due to Mr. Frost for his quick action in obtaining the surfacing and the Captain for hiring the roller. It was agreed that when the job was completed, Mr. Brooks should be paid and "ex-gratia" fee for his additional services.

The siting of the storage bay had been discussed and it was thought that a suitable place would be to the right of the vehicle track when coming on to the Course to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fairway.

Mr. I.F.W. Kerr promised to approach Mr. Fisher (Borough Surveyor) for advice as to planning permission requirements.

Mr. Fowden had promised to submit an estimate for the attention of the Committee when the Greens Secretaries could furnish final details of our requirements.

The resignation of K. Briggs was formally Reported and agreed upon.

The Wages of C. Walker would be increased to £18.00 per 40 hour week, together with a suitable course at Bingley arranged on his behalf.

The placing on Fairways would continue at the discretion of the Green Secretaries.

BAR  
COMMITTEE:

The Bar secretary Reported an increase in takings on the year of £540.00 which should reflect in the profit margins.

The Stocktaker's Report was presented and another deficiency of £10.88 was recorded.

Mr. Butlin queried the figures of sundry payments, and if his point was correct, this would reduce the deficiency by £6.00. It was suggested that these payments could be further examined and it may be found to be a source of errors.

The Bar Secretary stated that he thought the relaxation of the mode of dress had resulted in an increase in Bar Takings on Sunday Lunch Times.

The Committee agreed that the Club House would close on Sunday evenings at 7-30 p.m. as from 17<sup>th</sup> October, 1971 for the Winter Season, the Bar secretary to post a suitable Notice.

HOUSE  
COMMITTEE:

The decorating of the Smoke-Room, Tea Lounge and Upstairs Lounge would be carried out in due course, when all the estimates had been received and the Captain and House Secretary were satisfied with one of the said estimates.

The supplying of further Playing Cards by Mr. Robinson would be attended to.

TREASURER'S  
REPORT:

The Accounts for payment amounted to £2,830.23p.

One Account submitted by Messrs. J.W. Marland, Plumbers, for repairs to the kitchen air extractor, was queried and the House Secretary was requested to see Mr. Holden about this charge.

The Gaming Machine Receipts were discussed and the Treasurer agreed to give the Committee the net receipts for the next Meeting, so that a note could be made as to the point whether, in fact, the venture was worthwhile with regard to income. The costs involved were now £12.00 per week for hire and licence.

Mr. Butlin Reported that he had written to certain Members as promised, requesting the part-payment of Subs. owing to resignations being submitted at a late date in the season. Messrs O.W. Roberts and V.C.T. Barnes had not submitted the amounts desired and he would therefore now be compelled to write to them formally of disqualification.

RESIGNATIONS  
AND  
APPLICATIONS:

No resignations having been received, the Captain along with the General Secretary, promised to interview certain applications during the coming month.

Three further applications were submitted to the Meeting and these forms would be displayed on the Notice Board.

ANY OTHER  
BUSINESS:

The Captain wished to have it recorded in the Minutes that a party playing for SELNEC had been granted a fixture, which had been satisfactorily completed.

The General Secretary read a letter which he had received from the Lancashire Ladies' Golf Association requesting permission for a fixture on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 1972, the First Tee to be reserved from 9-30 a.m. until 2-30 p.m. on that day. This was agreed upon.

The Committee agreed to go ahead with arranging a possible fixture for the Senior Manchester Golf Alliance.

This would take place on a Wednesday, if possible, with the co-operation of the Ladies' Section, on that occasion the Ladies could play their Competition on a Thursday.

It was suggested that visiting Golfing Societies would be pleased to play the Course on Wednesdays, if this could be arranged, which would mean the Ladies having their Competition Fixture Days on Thursdays.

The matter was left in the hands of the Captain-Elect to make discrete (sic)

enquiries as to the re-action of the Ladies' Section on this matter.

Mr. Meeks and Mr. Carter would carry out the duties of paying wages and banking Competitions and Green Fee monies respectively during the time that Mr. Butlin was on holiday.

A VOTE OF THANKS to the Captain for presiding, closed the Meeting, the next Committee Meeting to be held on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 1971.

Signed.....Alfred N. Howard.....Captain  
Date 7<sup>th</sup> Oct./71.....