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LONDON STATIONERS GOLFING SOCIETY

SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR 1982

The events of last year have been fully documented so I will not dwell long except to report another enjoyable series of generally well attended meetings. There were bumper turn-outs at Gerrards Cross and Camberley Heath although the Addington and Mannings Heath meetings were not so well attended, surprising as both were blessed with fine weather and Captain's Day was particularly well organised by the Captain.

I would like to congratulate Roy Osborne for his work during the year, he was tireless in his endeavours to ensure members and guests enjoyed themselves and he can feel satisfied at the success he achieved. Without his help, and that of our Treasurer David Morgan, in taking over many of the organisational chores at each meeting I would not have enjoyed my own golf as much as I did.

The new season is nearly upon us and the Entry Form for our first meeting on Tuesday April 19th is enclosed. The other meetings are as follows:

- 9th June at Gerrards Cross (Sponsored by Jet Stationery)
- 14th July at Banstead Downs (Captain's Day)
- 29th Sept at Camberley Heath (Sponsored by Tipp-Ex Ltd)

Except for the first meeting when we hold our A.G.M. after play, all meetings will have a snack lunch with the main meal in the evening. By general consent this is what most of you prefer.

May I remind you that the Annual Subscription of £5.00 becomes due on 1st April and if you have not already sent your Standing Order to your bank please do so immediately. By June, the Treasurer and I will be going through the list and, if by then, any member has not renewed we shall be weeding these names out from our Mailing List. It is only fair that we should keep our postage expenses down by sending notices and reports only to those who are paid-up members.

At the A.G.M. the retiring Captain will nominate John A. Young to succeed him for 1983. In turn, John will be proposing our President, Lionel Scott, to become his Vice-Captain. This appointment will be of some historical and nostalgic interest, because Lionel was our Captain in 1959 which was our Silver Jubilee Year. It was thought wholly appropriate that he should be invited to take office in our 50th year as well, thus achieving a somewhat unique distinction. The inaugural meeting of the London and District Stationers Golfing Society, as it was then, was held at the Grimsdyke Golf Club in 1934.

To celebrate our Golden Jubilee it is proposed that we return to this club in 1984. As Lionel's home club is Walton Heath (venue of several meetings over the years) it is a good bet that he may decide to hold Captain's Day there! This leaves two other venues to be arranged. As Camberley now seems to be a popular venue a return in 1984 is indicated. Suggestions for the remaining meeting would be welcomed. Bear in mind that The Secretary and Treasurer now reside in more northern parts! A booking will have to be made soon so any suggestions should be tendered soon. Also, if any of you have ideas on ways of further celebrating our 50th anniversary please let me have them.

One already received is that we all take a week off from work (!) next February and wing our way to Marbella/Sotogrande/Puerto Banus and stage a week of competitions at Aloha, Torrequebrada, Las Brisas, etc. Have we a travel agent in our midst? This idea appeals but an organiser will be required as I have enough problems!

The A.G.M. seems a suitable place to discuss these matters along with the Treasurer's Financial Statement, a copy of which is enclosed.

In conclusion, my thanks to all members for the encouragement and support received and best wishes to John Young for another happy year of golf for him and for the Society.



Richard Johns

7th March 1983.