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December 1962

The December meeting was held Dec. 3, 1962 at Waltham Field Station. There were 70 members and guests in attendance.

Geoffrey Cornish, Golf Course Architect was the guest speaker.

The 1963 Slate of Officers are:

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The applications for regular membership of Frank Lamphier and Dino S. Rusehione were read for the first time.

Editors note - Anyone wishing to contribute an article for publication in the Newsletter please send to the editor.

The deadline for publication of all materials and information of value to the membership should be in the hands of the editor before the 12th of each month so that the printer and Association Secretary have adequate time for publication and printing.

A Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.

the Editor - Dick Blake

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CLUB OPERATING COSTS UP 43% IN 10 YEARS

The impact of inflation and its resultant decrease in the purchasing power of the dollar has been the major contributing factor in increasing the costs of operating a golf club by 43 percent during the past decade. The figure and conclusion is offered by the New York accounting firm of Harris, Kerr, Forster & Company.

The current year's total gross revenue and dues income of 26 million dollars for the country club group exceeded last year by \$153,000 but this gain was more than absorbed by an increase of \$662,000 in total operating costs and expenses.

Ninety-nine cents of each dollar of total revenue and dues had to be set aside during the current year to meet payroll and other operating costs and expenses.

The firm's survey shows the 1961-62 maintenance cost to be \$3,307 per hole, up \$125 over that for the preceding year. During the past 10 years there has been an uninterrupted increase in golf course maintenance costs, and the 1961-62 average of \$3,307 per hole exceeded by 45 percent the 1952-53 cost of \$2,278.

In the last 10 years, the club member's expenditures have increased by about 50 percent for his dues and 37 percent for his various purchases. The greatest increase in expense has been for payroll and related costs, up 54 percent. All other operating costs have advanced by 34 percent.

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USGA GREEN SECTION EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Friday, January 25, 1963 - Biltmore Hotel, New York, N. Y.

Subject: TRAFFIC ON THE GOLF COURSE

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The January Meeting will be held at the Waltham Field Station January 7, 1963.

Directors Meeting 9:30 A.M. Picture to be taken at this time.
Please be prompt.

Business Meeting 10:30

Lunch 12:30 New England Pot Roast.

Educational Program 1:30 Dr. William Tunis - Director Waltham Field Station. - "The Proper Handling of Agriculture Chemicals."

Mr. Robert Vigneau - Traveler's Insurance Co., "Group Insurance," plus Movie of the 1962 Masters Golf Tournament.