

GOLF

CHESHIRE CHAMPIONSHIP AT DELAMERE.

STOCKPORT CLUB'S HONOUR.

Cheshire golfers have reason to be fully satisfied with their inaugural meeting which was opened yesterday over the prettily situated course of the Delamere Forest Club. An entry of over one hundred for the individual championship of the Union is a most encouraging send off. The aspirants for the honour were engaged yesterday in competing by strokes over 36 holes for 15 places in the match stages today and to-morrow. The same scores stood for the team championship, for which 12 clubs entered.

The scores on the whole were not particularly good, and only five players got under 80 in each round. The course, nearly 6,000 yards in length, is hilly in character, and is well bunkered. Though the fairways were hard, the greens were very fresh-looking and perfectly true.

The first two places on the list were filled by Royal Liverpool Club players. The most popular return of the series was made by John Ball, who required only 154 for the two rounds. He might easily have headed the list but for his play at the thirteenth in the morning. He only half-hit his tee shot and sent his second in a bunker. The hole cost him seven instead of four. In the afternoon, when the returns were higher than before, he had the best round with 75.

T. F. Ellison, who led the field, handed in the best card of the day in the morning. He was out in 36, but took 38 for the last nine, including sixes at the fifteenth and the eighteenth, in the former case being off the line from the tee, and in the latter putting weakly. Berry, of Timperley, took three putts on five greens, but was playing his long game and approaches perfectly. In the afternoon, when he was out in 38, he appeared to have a chance of equalling Ellison, but he fell away badly. On the same mark were the brothers T. N. and I. Sidebottom, of Stockport. The former had a 75, with a six at the eleventh in the morning, but his brother had two very steady rounds. S. S. Potter took 81 in the morning after a seven at the eleventh, where he was badly bunkered, but played remarkably well in the afternoon. One of the disappointments was M. Schunk, of Hale, the present Manchester and District champion, who placed himself out of court in the morning when he required 87. P. E. Ogden, with 78 for his first round, gave an example of his pre-war form, but could not reproduce it in the afternoon.

In the team championship Stockport were successful. Their four players were:—T. N. Sidebottom, 155; I. Sidebottom, 155; S. S. Potter, 157; and C. Ashbrook, 158. Royal Liverpool were second, with T. F. Ellison, 152; J. Ball, 154; G. B. Farrar, 160; G. M. Scott, 165, a total of 631.

The following were the leading returns:—

	1st r'd.	2nd r'd.	Total.
T. F. Ellison, Royal Liverpool	74	78	152
J. Ball, Royal Liverpool	79	75	154
D. Berry, Timperley	76	79	155
I. Sidebottom, Stockport	77	78	155
T. N. Sidebottom, Stockport	75	80	155
J. E. Hassall, Bromborough	78	78	156
C. P. Lees, Wilmslow	79	78	157
S. S. Potter, Stockport	81	76	157
A. N. Roberts, Wallasey	78	80	158
C. Ashbrook, Stockport	78	80	158
A. H. Holford, Prenton	76	84	160
G. Tweedale, Wilmslow	81	79	160
G. B. Farrar, Royal Liverpool	77	83	160
D. R. Lowcock, Delamere	75	86	161
E. H. Leese, Bowdon	80	81	161
G. Q. Quinn, Heswall	80	81	161
(The above qualified.)			
P. E. Ogden, Wilmslow	78	86	164
G. M. Scott, Royal Liverpool	82	83	165
F. B. Schofield, Delamere	81	84	165
E. M. Baerlein, Delamere	82	83	165
E. P. Blencowe, Curzon Park	85	81	166
D. Brown, Royal Liverpool	81	85	166
R. Cooper, Timperley	85	82	167
P. B. Burn, Romiley	86	81	167
J. G. Needham, Timperley	95	82	167

YORKSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIP

Notable among the results in the first round of the Yorkshire Amateur Championship meeting at Huddersfield yesterday was the defeat of a former British amateur champion and holder of the Yorkshire title. E. A. Lassen was beaten by two holes by a Bradford club-mate, P. Clough. L. Butler Smith (Harrogate), who won the title in 1910 at Lindrick, was beaten by C. J. Roddam (Cleveland) on the sixteenth green. With the exception of the holder, Hodgson, the remaining previous winners of the title were beaten in the second round in the afternoon. The second round resulted as follows:—

- B. Wragg (Sheffield and District) beat F. E. Woodhead (Huddersfield), 3 and 2.
- P. Clough (Bradford) beat F. A. Neill (Hallamshire), by two holes.
- E. R. C. Kerr (Halifax) beat G. Shorrocks (Ilkley Moor), 4 and 3.
- C. Hodgson (Baildon) beat T. Brearley (Harrogate), 4 and 3.
- J. A. Brookes (Hollowes) beat G. H. Blackburn (Bradford), 2 and 1.
- N. K. Firth (Huddersfield) beat H. N. Hepworth (Headingley), at the 19th.
- C. White (Huddersfield) beat H. D. Gaunt (Huddersfield), 5 and 2.
- C. J. Roddam (Cleveland) beat Dr. Penman (Huddersfield), 3 and 1.

The ladies' team championship of Yorkshire was won at Moortown, Leeds, yesterday by the Cleveland Club.

As a result of 36 holes medal play at Ipswich yesterday, A. H. Monk (Felixstowe), 76 and 72, and James G. Sherlock (Hunstanton), 81 and 71, qualified from the Eastern section to take part in the £750 tournament of the Professional Golfers' Association at Oxley in October.

OBORLEY.—In a tournament for a prize presented by Mr. T. Wilcock, A. Sanford (14) defeated T. Greenwood (14) in the final by 2 up and 1 to play. Mr. C. Moss's prize, open to members with handicaps of 18 and over, was won by H. Langton, who defeated F. Battye by 4 up and 2 to play.