

AN INTRODUCTION FROM OUR PRESIDENT.....



Stan Taylor

The Comedian's Golf Society was formed officially at Crews Hill Golf Club in December 1978, it was however as a direct result of a previous meeting at Badgemore Park, Henley, when a few hardy and relatively 'unknown' comics braved the bitterly cold elements playing an impromptu Stapleford, retired to the comfort of the club house with chattering teeth and blue noses and were quickly cured by imbibing liberal doses of almost lethal mixtures of alcohol, the golf? — hilarious!! The evening-Bacchalian and riotous as one might expect.

At Crews Hill we now numbered twenty souls, there were no real casualties from the previous meeting! The society was born officially, President, Captain, Secretary and committee elected, not without, I might add, some highly diverting and unprintable script. The appointment of Ray Donn as secretary turned out to be stroke of luck for he with his organising genius, subsequently designed our badges, ties, blazers and club motto. We had arrived !!

These twenty were the 'Founder members', four of whom were not even connected with show-biz but their help has been and will continue to be incalculable. We also elect other non-comedians from time to time for their invaluable help, these members are called 'Straight men'.

Like 'Topsy' we have grewed and grewed and now number nearly 200 members, all of whom give unstintingly of their spare time to turn out for golf and charity concerts, wherever and whenever at their own expense. The purpose being to buy and supply what we call "CHUCKLE-BUSES" for severely handicapped children, twelve seater coaches with hydraulic lifting equipment at the rear and occasionally other very necessary hospital equipment.

As President I am proud of them all, for they are the most happy go lucky bunch of leg-pulling, irreverent, mickey taking, bellicose band of golfing maniacs you will ever see and very definitely hear!! We are not all "Stars", so if you are kind enough to invite us to your golf club, don't expect a galaxy of big names (we have plenty) but those who are not 'big-time' have one attribute in common, it's called 'Talent', come to one of our shows and you will see what I mean.

To all of you who have contributed in sponsoring and finance, our very grateful thanks for that past and our very warmest regards for the future.

God bless you.

Stan Taylor

President C.G.S.

