

Godmanchester Community Association

Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2005

22 February 2005

Those present were: Gordon Allgood, Stuart Bond, Nina Collier, Martin Dachs, Harry Forens, Bridget Gaskill, Helen Hayden, Lynda Heseltine, Peter Heseltine, Alan hooker, Elwyn Hughes, Patrick Hull, Stella Kozart, Dai Morgan, Jean Morgan, Stephen Spencer, Cristine White and Roy White.

Apologies were received from: Shirley Brown, Anne Looker, Charles Looker and Ted Malone.

1. The President opened the AGM, welcoming all who had braved the weather to attend.
2. NC proposed that the minutes of the previous year's AGM be accepted. This was seconded by PH and agreed by the meeting.
3. In the President's address, he paid tribute to a very successful year, mentioning Gala Day and Picnic in the Park particularly. He made an appeal for new recruits to the Community Association to come forward.
4. The Chair also thought the Association had had a very successful year. He reminded the meeting about the importance of the sponsorship we had received from Campbell's and Twigden's which had paid for the Sealed Knot, the Gog Magog Mollies and for the Viking Re-enactment Group which would be the attraction in 2005.

In his capacity as ex editor of the Bridge magazine he appealed for articles for this year's edition.

5. The Treasurer gave a detailed breakdown of the accounts which showed that the Association was in a strong financial position. SS proposed that the accounts be accepted. This was seconded by GA and agreed by the meeting.

6. In the absence of the Company Secretary, SB reassured the meeting that he had spoken with MWR and all was in order.

7. The Company Secretary, the Company Director, the Treasurer and the Minutes Secretary were all re-elected unopposed. It was also agreed that Bulley Davy should continue to audit the Accounts.

8. HF paid tribute to the work of AH, particularly after his recent illness. He further thanked PH for agreeing to edit the Bridge Magazine and suggested that it would be sensible to have a deputy chair to cover for SB when he was unable to be present. NC thought it would be useful for all the major roles in the CA to be covered by deputies. It was also pointed out that cover would be required to ensure that Picnic in the Park would be able to continue after this year's event. It was stressed that it was vital for the Association to attract younger members in future.

9. SB reported that there were some new initiatives for this year, singling out CW and RW running a Balloon Race and changes to the web site.

10. SS reported on the progress made with the Last Night of the Proms, to be held at the Community School on 19th March. He stressed that it was a charity event, the beneficiaries being National Kidney Research, Godmanchester Rovers FC, the Community School and the Community Association. He hoped that if the event were to be held next year that the venue could be St Anne's School. He thanked Maggie Middlemiss for her help over the bar licence. HF thanked SS for his efforts.

11. SB said that the CA had sufficient funds available to support events aimed at Young People. What was required were volunteers to run activities.

12. PH thanked SB and CB for their hard work over the past year, specifically mentioning the CA web site.

The meeting was closed with a reminder that the next meeting of the CA would be at the Comrades Club on Thursday 10th March at 8pm.