

Minutes of the AGM of the E K R S
held at the mill Herne. 6 October 2008

Meeting opened at 2002.

16 members were present

apologies received from: G3VJF, M0DCO, 2E1DEU and G0LAA

Chairmans report

George reported that the meetings for the past year had been well attended and hoped that this would continue. The BBQ was poorly attended, some 24 members had indicated they would attend but only 15 turned up, the catering had been made for the 24 consequently food had been wasted and unnecessary cash spent.

George proposed that future BBQs would be funded differently. The idea being that tickets would be sold for the BBQ and the resulting money raised used to cater for the event. If anyone did not turn up for the BBQ, they would not get a refund. This way food and money would not be wasted.

This was carried unanimously by the floor.

Thanks were given to all for their continued support of the club and the chair.

Secretary report.

In the absence of Paul G3VJF, George read out a list of events for the past year.

Treasurer

John M1DHI gave a detailed report on the balances and state of the account. we had an excess of £17.13 for the year which was made good by the used equipment sale. No increase in subscriptions was proposed.

It was proposed by G1PVA

seconded M3TTA

carried unanimously.

Thanks were made to John and Erwin (AUDITOR) by all.

A discussion followed regarding the monies held in the building society account. Bob 2E0ATZ asked whether the club would qualify for shares if the building society de-mutualised Paul 2E90BRJ said he would investigate with, his knowledge of the system. He has now been told that the club would NOT qualify.

Election of officers.

George the chairman announced he was willing to stand for a further year. there being no other nominations or dissent this was

Proposed G8UCR

Seconded 2E0ATZ

carried unanimously

Secretary

The chair announced that Paul was willing to carry on for a further year.

However the chair thought that it was time that consideration be given

to new blood be introduced, following discussion on the floor, it was

proposed that Paul G3VJF continue as Secretary

Seconded by G8NXQ.

Carried unanimously

Treasurer. John M1DHI stated he was willing to continue in the post.

this was proposed by M3TTA

Seconded G4LQI

carried unanimously.

Election of Committee members

The committee consists of G1PVA,G7RBB,M1DFM and M3TTA

All indicated that they were willing to continue.

Other nominations were asked for and Paul 2E0BRJ was nominated as a committee member

Proposed G8URC

Seconded 2E0BRJ

Carried unanimously. Paul 2E0BRJ would after some discussion shadow Paul G3VJF as secretary with a view to taking the post in future.

Proposed G3NIR

Seconded G4LQI
carried unanimously.

A break was taken at 2045 for coffee.
During the break the construction contest was held with 4 entries being made.
G8URC a vintage receiver
G6PKS the Ozbox 160m transceiver
G4LQI a remote ATU
G1PVA a homebrew triple mag-mount
The judges G3ISD and 2EOATZ made their deliberations.

Meeting resumed at 2100

Result of the construction contest was;
simple winner, David G8URC
complicated winner, Brian G6PKS
It is to be congratulated that we had a good entry in the contest. Well done to all.

Christmas Dinner

It was announced that the dinner date is confirmed as Dec 10th at the Rising Sun in Beltinge, the menu had not yet been received and the cost had not been given. This would be announced on the website as soon as we have it.

Any other Business

Erwin G4LQI thought that the balance being so good that a reduction in the amount could be made by a donation to the RAIBC and to GB4FUN each to receive a £100 , there followed a discussion, where as a counter proposal was made that £100 be donated to the RAIBC and that the remaining could be used towards training
The proposal to Donate £100 to the RAIBC was made by
Erwin G4LQI
Seconded Brian G6PKS.
Carried unanimously

The discussion followed regarding training, it was pointed out the difficulties of training at the mill and it was decided that Karl M1DFM investigate a venue for training the cost and necessary permissions to carry out such a course.
Queries regarding the problems with training at the mill could be put to Brian Reay RSGB rep who would be talking on the 20th October.
Carried by all.

VHF Net. George G3NIR has run the net since 2002 and was looking for a volunteer to take over in order to take a break. There were no volunteers however some said that they would do it on the odd occasion.

Eileen M3TTA thanked all those who attended the Minnis Picnic, which was a great success. Thanks to Karl for all his work in organising the event.

George thanked all who had helped at events throughout the year.

There being no further business the meeting close at 2130