

# RREC WESSEX SECTION

## Minutes of the Annual General Meetings held on Wednesday 23 March at 12noon at Holt Village Hall, Holt, Wimborne BH21 7DJ

1. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Messrs Brenner, Unwin and Dant.

2. Minutes of the AGM held on 11 September 2021

The Minutes of the previous AGMs were approved.

3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman, Brian Palmer, began by introducing his report which had been circulated by email and highlighted that the Section's finances had been rebuilt and that the Section now had buoyant reserves. Membership of the Section had previously been defined as restricted to those who had paid a £15 subscription whereas as now all those RREC Members living in and around the Wessex Section area were considered Members with a payment of £15 for those wanting a printed copy of the Section's quarterly Torque magazine.

The Chairman thanked Stuart Bladen for his work in producing Torque which now featured a glossy coloured and eye-catching front page.

The Chairman had introduced a monthly email, All Torque, in order to provide a way of keeping in touch over lockdown. Now All Torque would be used more for promoting events.

The Meeting approved the Chairman's Report.

4. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report had also been issued by email. Simon drew the Meeting's attention to the Receipts and Payments Account. The Section had benefited from £1,800 of Subscriptions, advertising revenue of £3,500 and £255 income from events, mainly picnics.

He added that HSBC, the Section's bank, was closing its branch in Lymington which he used. He would now need to travel to New Milton. Simon made a plea to use internet banking wherever possible.

He noted that Silver Lady of Bournemouth was sponsoring Torque again and that they promoted our Section by handing out spare copies of Torque magazine.

The Meeting approved the Treasurer's Report.

5. Re-Election to the Committee of Brian Palmer, Gary Trinder, Simon Crofts, Stuart Bladon, Michael Dant, and Steve Wilks

The re-election of the above six Members to the Section Committee was unanimously approved in the meeting.

6. Election to the Vacancy on the Committee of Events Co-ordinator

There had been no volunteers for this important role.

7. Any Other Business and Motions from the floor

Stephen Robson, Chairman of the Charles Rolls Heritage Trust, informed the Meeting of the 2.5m high stainless steel sculpture/monument that was due to be unveiled at Hengistbury Head by Lord Montagu on Tuesday 12 July 2022, being the anniversary of his death at nearby Southbourne. Lord Montagu hoped to bring his 1909 Silver Ghost. Stephen invited Members to attend with their cars.

The Annual General Meetings ended at 12:38pm.

Mystery Tour Presentation

There had been a Mystery Tour before the AGM which all those taking part had thoroughly enjoyed in the sunshine. Awards were presented to:-

First Place Champagne to Michael and Lynn Firth driving their 2003 Bentley Arnage

Second Place wine to Chris and Ann Sheldrake in their 1955 Silver Dawn

Third Place wine to Stuart Bladon in his light blue Corniche

Members then had lunch together at the nearby Old Inn.