

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF STOURBRIDGE & DISTRICT CRICKET SOCIETY

Held at Stourbridge Cricket Club on 14 April 2016

The meeting commenced at 7pm in the Club lounge

Those present: Dennis Banks, Michael Bishop, Terry Church (*Programme Secretary*), Anthony Collis (*Secretary / Editor*), Peter Dodson, Vivienne Dodson, Meriel Harris, Isabel Lester, John Millward, Dave Nicklin (*President*), Richard Sanders, Gil Thomas, Stuart Rudge, Mike Tomkins (*Chairman*), Ken Workman (*Treasurer*), Ken Worton.

1 President's Welcome

By tradition, the President chaired the meeting. He began by referring to the deaths of Tom Graveney who passed away in November 2015 and Jack Bannister died in January 2016. Both were guest speakers to the Society on more than one occasion. Former members of the Society, who died during the past year, include Phil Colesby, Richard Greaves and Ray Tolley. The Society extends its sympathies to their respective families.

2 Apologies for non-attendance – None received

3 Confirmation of Minutes of AGM held on 16 April 2015

These were taken as read. Peter Dodson proposed and Isabel Lester seconded the motion that the Minutes be approved.

4 Matters Arising

The gift regarding the 150th anniversary of Worcestershire CCC is covered in the Chairman's and Treasurer's sections of the 2016 Annual Report below.

The contribution to Stourbridge CC towards new carpet in the lounge is referred to by the Treasurer.

5 (i) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The past year has seen the Society strengthen our bond with Stourbridge CC, not only as our venue, but also through our combined allegiance to support and promote our vested interest in cricket. To mark the 150th anniversary of Worcestershire CCC, the Society presented a suitably engraved crystal bat, which is displayed in the Graham Hick pavilion at New Road. A letter of thanks was received.

Tim Jones's biography of our former President Don Kenyon was long-listed for the prestigious MCC / Cricket Society Book of the Year award.

The Society continues to benefit from its affiliation to the Council of Cricket Societies.

On behalf of the Society, I wish to thank various people without whom the Society would not function as smoothly as it does:

Firstly our President, Dave Nicklin continues to provide wise influence and active support to me and the Committee in our decision making.

In 2015 Ken Workman completed his 25th consecutive year as Treasurer. Not only does Ken keep us in good financial order, he organises the raffle, which provides additional income. Grateful thanks to Isobel and Mick for selling raffle tickets and to members who have donated prizes.

Special thanks also to Lyn and Trevor who have been magnificent in the way in which our members have been looked after and especially for catering for 90-odd members at our buffet lunch in February.

During the year, Anthony Collis took over as Secretary in addition to producing the excellent "Boundary View" newsletters.

Finally, an enormous 'thank you' to Terry Church for not only arranging the season's superb choice of speakers, but also for organising the annual trip which this year visited Lord's and the Emirates Stadium. Thanks to all members for their help in promoting and keeping cricket alive locally.

5 (ii) PROGRAMME SECRETARY'S REPORT

Our speakers during the season were Paul Horton, Stephen Chalke, Darren Maddy, Ken Burney, John Barclay, David Steele and David Houghton with Dave Bradley.

John Barclay's midday meeting was arranged with a buffet lunch – thanks to Lynn and Trevor for catering for so many hungry members and guests. In March, fifty members and friends enjoyed a day trip to London with tours arranged at Lord's and Arsenal's Emirates Stadium.

Details of speakers for 2016/17 are still being finalised and should include: David Smith, Mike Brewer, Mike Newell, Tim Jones & Ken Workman, Dennis Breakwell, and Philip Serrell.

5 (iii) TREASURER'S REPORT

STOUR BRIDGE & DISTRICT CRICKET SOCIETY		
STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE 2015-2016		
<u>INCOME</u>	<u>2015-16</u> £	<u>2014-15</u> £
Membership Subs.	1,329.00 (107)	1,283.00 (104)
Raffles (NET)	397.40 (5)	515.00 (6)
Donations/Interest	24.32	30.32
Event Surplus	<u>116.50</u>	<u>334.00</u>
	<u>1,867.22</u>	<u>2,162.32</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	£	£
Speakers	1,375.00	1,440.00
Subscriptions	140.00	140.00
Donations/Gratuities	320.00	110.00
Hospitality/Travel	68.00	103.00
Printing/Postage/Stationery	<u>50.69</u>	<u>82.00</u>
	<u>1,953.69</u>	<u>1,884.20</u>
Deficit/Surplus	- £86.47	+ £287.32
FUNDS Brought Forward	£ 2,953.79	
LESS DEFICIT FOR YEAR	- £ 86.47	
TOTAL FUNDS @ 1.9.2016	<u>£ 2,867.32</u>	
REPRESENTED BY		
CURRENT A/c (HSBC)	£ 1,699.01	
SAVINGS A/c	£ 556.91	
CASH	<u>£ 611.40</u>	
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 2,867.32</u>	

The Treasurer commented that although the Society incurred a deficit on the year, the Society's position remains very satisfactory. The deficit was caused by three main expenditure items: The unplanned purchase of chairs (£118) for the February meeting; a crystal bat (£57) was presented to mark WCCC's centenary. The donation (£200) to Stourbridge CC for carpeting was planned. Raffle proceeds were lower because no raffle was held at the February meeting.

Income: Membership figures showed a nett increase of three and at year-end the total was 107. The annual trip generated a surplus of £120

Speaker costs were slightly lower, but this could not be guaranteed to continue.

The Treasurer proposed that no increase in membership fees was required.

The adoption of the Treasurer's report was proposed by Isabel Lester and seconded by Meriel Harris. The President thanked the Treasurer for reporting the results of another prudent financial year.

5 (iv) SECRETARY'S REPORT

Having assumed the position of Secretary only in January 2016, there was nothing to report. As editor of *Boundary View* for the past four years, I make my annual plea for members' input.

6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

No nominations had been received from others wishing to stand for election to the committee. The current officers and members of the committee offered themselves for re-election. Isabel Lester proposed that the existing committee be re-elected, which was seconded by Ken Worton. The motion was carried unanimously.

The President stated that it was hoped to expand the committee by the appointment of a general member.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No advance notice has been received of any matter for discussion. The President asked if any member present had any business to raise. It was asked if any donation to Stourbridge CC was planned. The Treasurer replied that the club intended to 'digitise' the scoreboard and it was thought a sum of £200 might be donated. The committee would consider the idea in lieu of rent.

Regarding the lunchtime meeting, the Programme Secretary reported that he is considering another daytime meeting in 2017/18.

8 DATE OF NEXT YEAR'S MEETING

The 2016/17 AGM will be held on 13th April 2017 commencing at 7pm

There being no other business, the President thanked those present for attending and closed the meeting at 7.30pm.