

# MINUTES OF THE SHELL TRAVEL CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE SILVERMERE GOLF CLUB, COBHAM, SURREY ON WEDNESDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018 AT 11.00 A.M.

Rob Jenkins, Chairman, opened the AGM by welcoming the Membership. He hoped that they would enjoy the occasion, the lunch and the after lunch talk to be given by Cmdr. Peter Swan entitled Royal Yacht Britannia

1. **Apologies:** These were read out. However, for convenience they are attached as an Addendum and only reflect those we heard from.

2. **Minutes of the Previous AGM Held on 9th March 2017**

These were taken as a true and accurate record.

**Proposer:** Mike Osgood      **Seconded:** Anthony Jonas

3. **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

4. **Chairman's Report**

Rob welcomed Bruce Ogilvy who had joined the Committee during the past year. Sadly, the Committee and Membership had lost Alan Watson who had decided it was time to step down. Alan together with Ron Loveday (and Glenda) had rescued the Club many years ago and without them the Club surely would have folded. He pointed out that without the infusion of new blood on to the Committee there was a danger the Club could cease to exist after 2019. Therefore if anyone had some spare time and was willing to serve they would be very welcome. Rob gave a resume of the holidays and day trips that had taken place during 2017 and those coming up in 2018. Parking arrangements had been negotiated at Cobham Services, Silvermere, Folkestone and Dover. A Group rate at Days Hotel of £60 per night for 2018 has also been negotiated. SWIB Travel Insurance advertising on our web site provides a source of revenue to off set the costs of the web site. The web site continues to attract interest. Newsletters will only be sent from the web site which saves a considerable amount of postal charges. New legislation concerning Data Protection will be a challenge for the Committee. In fact we are meeting at the end of March to discuss this. Rob asked if anyone had knowledge of this legislation to contact him after the meeting. Rob hoped that the foregoing gave an idea of the scope and work undertaken by the Committee.

5. **Membership Secretary's Report**

Pauline said the membership continues to grow. We are trying to persuade

all members to sign up to the web. This is to ensure that announcements are delivered as soon as possible. We are trying to bring the Shell Travel Club up to date with modern life. Currently membership has always covered member and spouse, with partners requiring their own separate membership, Having recently discussed this with our insurers, they are now happy to accept partners who are living permanently together in a stable relationship to be included.

6. **Treasurer's Report and Accounts (January 2017 – December 2017)**

The Treasurer's report had already been circulated. However, Brian went quickly through the content and remarked that the Club was in a healthy position but reminded the Membership that we were a non profit organisation. For this reason the Committee felt that funds should be returned to the membership wherever possible so the Festive and AGM lunch were subsidised.

The Accounts were then formally adopted.

**Proposer:** Anthony Jonas

**Seconded:** Alex Toohey

7. **Election of Officers**

Rob said that all the officers had expressed their willingness to continue for 2018. Rob then handed over to Brian who proposed a vote of thanks to Alan and Rob presented a gift of wine to Alan and flowers to Joy.

**Chairman:** Rob Jenkins

**Officers and Committee Members** listed below were all re-elected.

**Treasurer:** Brian Stokes

**Membership Secretary:** Pauline Barnes

**Secretary:** Carol A Reid

**Committee Members:** Barry Barnes, Steve Jones, Allison Jenkins, Sally Dean and Bruce Ogilvy

**Proposer:** Joyce McCombie

**Seconded:** Vince McNamara

8. **Appointment of Examiner:** Mr Peter Fry was appointed to check the Accounts.

**Proposer:** David Buxton

**Seconded:** Rod Brown

9. **Web Review**

Sally had prepared a very professional Power Point presentation. From it we

could see that we now have 409 active subscribers to the web site. This number being made up of a mixture of members and non-members. There is no need to “re-subscribe” each time you log on to the website and please advise if you change your e-mail address so that records can be updated. It is useful to send in your photos and reviews from trips to [enquiries@shelltravelclub.com](mailto:enquiries@shelltravelclub.com) so that the website can be updated and it is a way of attracting new members. Sally also gave some interesting statistics as to the most popular times for accessing the web, where people were in the world who visited our site, and that 28 emails have been sent from the website during the last year.

## 10. **2018 Holiday Programme**

Rob gave a swift update on the trips in the 2018 programme which of course can be found on the website..

**6<sup>th</sup> May : Sidmouh**

**17<sup>th</sup> June:** Champagne and Wine Tour. .

**12<sup>th</sup> September:** Visit to Bolney and Ridgeway Vineyards. This may have to be cancelled due to lack of support.

**22<sup>nd</sup> October – 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov:** Fly/Cruise to New York

**November:** Thursford

**29<sup>th</sup> November:** Festive Lunch

**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – 22<sup>nd</sup> December:** Cruise/Fly to the Caribbean

Rod Brown hoped to run a day trip to **Lambeth Palace** during the year.

**For 2019:**

**March** – Steve proposed to reinstate the Madeira trip. This met with support from the membership.

**June** – Bruce hopes to be running a **Dalmation Cruise** but this is subject to getting the support needed.

Instead of running the Champagne trip Rob was hoping to organise a trip to the **Dordogne**.

**15<sup>th</sup> September** – Bruce was hoping to organise a cruise to the **Baltics** and asked for interest which was given.

## 11. **Any Other Business**

The meeting was advised that there had been 46 people on the day visiting

the **Houses of Parliament**. Concern was expressed at the **high cost** of some of the trips. A request was made for a **roving microphone**. An expression of thanks was made on behalf of **single travellers** where the supplement had been reduced.

Joyce McCombie proposed a vote of thanks to the Committee for all their hard work which was echoed by the membership.

The Chairman then closed the meeting at 12.25 and wished everyone an enjoyable lunch and safe journey home.

## Apologies for Absence AGM 2018

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Davis  
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Anderson  
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Pink  
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Burls  
Halls  
Jillings  
Thomas  
Phipps  
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Keen  
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Davies  
Davies  
Riddles  
Riddles

Gillian  
John  
Mary  
Karen  
Iris  
Roger  
Sheila  
Chris  
Ann  
Guy  
Helga  
Peter  
Angela  
Terry  
Maggie  
Colin  
June  
Michael  
Audrey