# MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ORPINGTON VIDEO AND FILM MAKERS

Held in the Barnard Room, St. Augustine's Church, Southborough Lane, Bromley on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2016

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** John Alford, Charlie & Nellie Caseley, Reg Lancaster, Anna Littler, Jim Morton-Robertson, Brenda & Roger Wheatley, Bob Wyeth

23 members signed the Attendance Sheet

- 2. MINUTES OF THE 2015 AGM were adopted unanimously and signed
- 3. MATTERS ARISING No matters were raised
- **4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** Attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board Adoption proposed by Peggy Parmenter Seconded by Barbara Darby
- **5. SECRETARY'S REPORT** Attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board Adoption proposed by Sam Brown Seconded by Andy Watson
- **6.TREASURER'S REPORT** Spreadsheet and Report attached to Master Copy and on Notice Board:

The Treasurer recommended that subs. should remain at current levels but we must make every effort to recruit new members to maintain our current expenditure. See full report.

## **NEW CLUB EQUIPMENT and LOCATION OF CURRENT ASSETS**

Archive equipment has been bought. Updated list of Assets and locations will be advised as soon as possible.

Adoption proposed by Hugh Darrington Seconded by Peter Mitchell

## 7. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

As the President could not be present, Colin Jones kindly took the Chair and told us that Roger Wheatley has stepped down from the Committee but that Jane Oliver has agreed to stand. She has been nominated and seconded as an Ordinary Member

Colin read out the nominations received as follows:

Chairman: Simon Earwicker

Vice Chairman Sam Brown

Secretary Freddy Beard

Treasurer David Laker

Competitions Officer Brenda Wheatley

Ordinary Members: Annabelle and Reg Lancaster, Ian Menage, Jane Oliver,

Andy Watson,

Members voted unanimously for these committee members – no abstentions.

### 8. ELECTION OF AUDITORS

In his absence, Jim Morton Robertson was unanimously voted as Auditor, we hope he agrees...

### **MEMBERS' VOICES**

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Simon** advised that as the Club Films sub-committee had difficulties it has been ended. The Newsreel sub-committee also did not work out but members are asked to inform each other if they hear of suitable events to be filmed for the Newsreel. John and Ann Epton had produced excellent compilations but are not willing to continue in 2016, No volunteers came forward but Simon hopes that someone will do so.

**Annabelle** will not continue to cover for a designated Publicity Officer. Simon again asked but no-one at the meeting responded.

**Andy** reported that film files put onto memory sticks give higher quality for the Archives. DVDs lose quality during production. The sticks and advice are available.

**David** was pleased that Pat Palmer offered to take on his suggestion that a **History of Orpington** be produced. Not an immediate film but searching for as much history as possible, talking to local people who have lived in the area, maybe since before the 2<sup>nd</sup> World War or even the 1920's. Also Roman remains in Orpington, information from Bromley Library and local history groups.

Sam mentioned that Ian has more DVDs available of footage to be edited for our 10 May evening.

## PROGRAMME FOR THE ENSUING YEAR

We have a Speaker booked for the 5<sup>th</sup> July Meeting.

Colin (and Corrie) kindly offered their garden for our Party, probably also in July

Andy suggested another Archive Evening (from New Zealand this time!)

Hugh talked about an excellent old film made by Bill Townley which is now available on DVD.

Colin suggested an old favourite *Consequences*: three groups following a script of opening and closing lines for each section of the film. Props to be gathered to be chosen by the groups.

Jane Oliver suggested a 15 min. to 1min. Project. 15 filmed aspects cut down to a 1 min film.

Barbara Darby Jokes - choose from a book of Jokes and make a Film in an Evening

Jane offered a My Hobby, 2 min. Project

David advised that Chris Coulson will bring his very large Dinosaur to the Club for us to 'play' with.

Tony would like a chance to talk to Experts about any film/editing problems. Maybe half an evening sometimes. Sec. will ask members to update their camera and editing details so that everyone knows who is using the same equipment to help each other.

Some members would prefer a visit somewhere instead of a Ramble this year.

We will have only 4 rounds of the Top Ten this year. Brenda reported that she has already done the Draw to be published in the May Viewfinder.

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Meeting closed at 10.04pm