

HIGHLAND WOODTURNING CLUB, Club Premises, Munlochy Village Hall
Minutes of COMMITTEE MEETING held Thursday 20th February 2020 at 5.30pm in the Club Premises.

1. **WELCOME** Present :- Alec Mutch, John Cheadle, David Hobson, Jim Kelman, Geoff Potter, Cliff Sim, Douglas Stewart, John Ruickbie, Peter Lawrence, Nick Simpson, Mike Day, Errol Levings

APOLOGIES: None

2. **INTRODUCTIONS**

The two new Committee Members – Mike Day and Nick Simpson were introduced and welcomed to the Committee. All the Committee were reminded that any issue could be brought forward for the Committee's attention and the new members were encouraged to do so at any meeting.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Minutes for meeting held 23th Jan 2020. Approved as being correct. Proposed by PL, seconded DH.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

CS handed out copies of a statement to date up to 20/02/20.

CS reported that there was a good balance of funds. CS and PL advised that membership of the AWGB allowed the Club to benefit from reduced insurance premiums from Zurich Insurance compared with an application from the Club alone. There were no further questions about the financial report.

5. **2020 MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

GP reported that he currently had a 61 members names on the membership list.

There were 8 on the waiting list. 5 had been invited to join the Club by e-mail. 3 had replied and 2 of these will join. 1 is considering. 1 other initially accepted but subsequently declined. 1 had still not replied despite a reminder.

GP advised he would discount the person who had so far not replied and would invite others from the list as necessary, with the aim of achieving 65 total members.

GP confirmed that from the 70+ members listed at the end of last year (2019), 6 had resigned and 5 had not renewed their membership by the deadline of the AGM (or indeed to date). The whole Committee confirmed that any who had not renewed, who subsequently came forward, would be added to the waiting list in the order of applying.

(To conclude - on 20/02/20 after the meeting a total of 62 members have actually paid their fees, and there were invitations to the waiting list which could eventually make a 65 total).

The website username and password had been e-mailed to 54 members.

6. **UPDATE ON THE 28th NOVEMBER TO DO LIST**

AM congratulated everyone on the efforts which have been made to complete the 'to do' list. Items 6,8,9,12 – the fire evacuation notice, signage, modify entrance ramp and tidy out the woodstore have been completed.

AM to provide a pro forma for registers and certificates Items 17,18 to GP for him to implement.

7. **Training**

Item 19 – trainer material from AWGB is still ongoing. It may be available as a download but JR thought that it did not download satisfactorily and the DVD would be better.

8. **HWC NAME BADGES**

The name badges have all been printed and would be distributed to members at this Club meeting.

9. **LIST OF MEMBERS DETAILS**

Paper copies of this list were handed to every Committee member. NS requested an electronic copy. GP to provide a copy.

10. PROGRAMME FOR 2020

The programme for 2020 had been e-mailed to all the Committee last week. Committee members had noted the appointments for meeting managers laid out in the schedule.

AM explained that each Committee member was responsible for the management of two meetings each year. AM clarified that each particular meeting manager would decide the subject of each of their meetings for inclusion in the Programme and decide on the participants and the equipment required. It was noted that new or other Committee members would take over from retiring Committee members....

David Hutcheson would still manage the 5/19th March meetings. The 25th June and 9th July meetings were transferred to EL. The 17th September meeting manager which was Colin would now be JR.

The caveat attached to the programme – that members would only receive competition prizes if they were wearing their name badges – was agreed.

A draft of the 2021 Programme was circulated and accepted by all. The meeting managers had all been shifted around in a rota from the previous year. The agreed 2021 Programme outline would be distributed by GP on receipt from AM.

11. Barry Todd, USA woodturner, possible demo in October,

Barry Todd had been put forward for a possible demonstration. He had an impressive website but it was unclear what the fees would be and his requirement for accommodation. More information was being sought and would be brought back to Committee.

12. AOCB

JK advised that a £50 token had not been collected this year from Macgregors. David MacGruer to be contacted.

JK had been offered wood from Mr George Gunn. JK had seen the wood and confirmed it was very suitable for raffle prizes. A sum of £200 was agreed to be paid.

MD agreed to assist with woodstore maintenance for 2020 and onwards.

NS would liaise with EL about the training programme.

It was agreed that NS's proposal for an eyewash station be established in a dust free area. JK to acquire.

NS explained that his relative may be able to give a demonstration on CPR and life support. It was agreed that this would be very welcome if it could be arranged. It would take about 1 hour. To be brought to the attention of the next meeting.

NS would look into the maintenance of Club equipment. Chuck maintenance could perhaps be a subject of a demonstration. An inventory of the Club's equipment was found and may require updating.

NEXT MEETINGS

16th April, 11th June, 6th August, 1st October, 26th November

All meetings are scheduled for Thursdays at 5.30pm