

**Folk Camps Society Limited**  
**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**  
**held at Wing Village Hall, Wing on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2011**

The Chairperson, Sally Clayden, began with a slide show, depicting plans for camps in 2012.

The AGM was declared open at 14:50

**1. Present:** 53 Governing Members and 9 Associate Members (non-voting).

Apologies were received from 36 Governing Members and 8 Associate Members.

**2. Minutes of last meeting:** Approval: Proposed by Sue Malleson seconded by Faith Kemp and carried unanimously.

**3. Matters arising:** The claim against A1 Loo Hire for Woolsey marquee camps 2009 had been settled with a payment from A1 Loohire of £3,000. Thanks were extended to Mick Green and Regine de Frettes for their work on the case.

Faith Kemp thanked the Society for the presentation made to her and John for their previous years of catering for AGMs

**4. Tellers for a ballot:** Tellers were not required as there was no election and no members' resolutions.

**5. Election of New Council members:** The following members were elected to serve on Council for 2011-2012:-  
Anne Kenyon, Patrick Self and Steve Porritt.

**6. Adoption of report & accounts:** The administration manager explained that the increased profit for the year was as a result of decreased administration costs offsetting decreased income from camps. He also explained that the auditor's work was split between producing the accounts and auditing them.

Adoption of the 2010-2011 Accounts was proposed by Cecil French, seconded by Christine Munford and carried unanimously.

**7. Appointment of James de Frias as auditors:** Re-appointment of Auditors proposed by Sean Hayden, seconded by Stuart Beattie and carried unanimously.

### **8. Appointment of members of development fund committee:**

There had been no applications for grants during the year but the fund had been used to finance apprentice staff places at camps and also training courses in food hygiene and first aid.

Details of how the grants worked was available on the members website and will be publicised again in the next issue of Extent.

Caroline Tracey, Ren Thompson, Emily Malleson, Barry Pollard and John McNamara all agreed to continue on the committee.

**9. Resolutions in Advance:** There were none.

### **10. Any other business:**

- a) Events Manager , Brian Bull, stated that his article in Extent about site finding had not been printed in full. It had since been updated and contained a lot more information for those who want to suggest sites.
- b) Cecil French asked if staffing for camps could be advertised sooner to help those wishing to book camps. Steve Porritt explained for Council that setting staff was always a problem as it was sometimes difficult to obtain definite responses from potential staff.
- c) Christine Munford asked what plans Council had for future camps of a different style. Sally Clayden, for Council, explained that nothing definite had been planned but they would be looking at more specialist craft and music holidays, self-catered weeks, a return to Halsway Manor and an early May weekend camp in the North.
- d) Ann Tracey asked if it was practical that one person was appointed as provisioner for the French camps as that person had to do all the shopping. Brian Pollard pointed out that the warden should also be involved in shopping for the camp. Paul Weir pointed out that in the past the warden had done all the shopping. Steve Porritt added that the staff should work as a team to cover all aspects of staffing.
- e) Hugh Malleson thanked the Catering Committee for their work during the year which had produced much better menus for camps.
- f) Sarah Malleson questioned whether it would be better for two musicians to staff week long camps. Sally Clayden responded that this had already been introduced by Council for 2012.

- g) Sue Malleson asked that nail brushes be provided at camps. Mike Jewitt asked for the provision of larger rubbish sacks or smaller bins. Brian Bull responded that all these would be provided in 2012 and that the warden's petty cash should be used to address such shortages.
- h) Val Porritt asked if a small marquee could be provided in addition to the main marquee for extra workshop and social space, especially in bad weather. Sally Clayden responded that this had already been decided by Council for 2012.
- i) The administration manager gave a rundown of bookings for 2012 to date. He also stated that Council had introduced a new booking rule to encourage advance booking. Any adult arriving at camp without having been booked at least 48 hours in advance would be charged an extra £20. This had been introduced because for some camps it had been difficult to order the correct amount of supplies and services with so many campers turning up without booking.
- j) Andy Malleson offered thanks to all Council members without whom the Society could not run and Jacqueline Beattie thanked the three managers.
- k) Ann Tracey was thanked for providing catering during the day

The meeting closed at 15:42

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Chair 24 November 2012