

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Remenham Club Ltd.,
held at the Club-house on Saturday, 27th June 2009, at 5.00 pm.**

Present Mr J E C Steel (President), Mr M J S Levy (chairman); Vice-Presidents: Messrs P D Hunter, P R Jennings, R G Higgins, C D Kester, C H E Fox, G J E Lewis, D G Shove (Hon. Secretary). Committee Members: Messrs I Cowell, P A Francis, Mrs R Haining, Messrs R W A Hare, R B Hopkirk, N P Main, R C Scott, R Welch, R L K Wood (Hon. Treasurer). 16 other members were also present.

Apologies were received from Mrs L J Malhi, Mrs J K Fidan, Mr J R Elder, Dr C A Harrison, Messrs R J Hurles, M Piper, M H P Denny.

Welcome – the President welcomed everyone to the Centenary Annual General Meeting – he wondered how many present could remember the first one! He then asked for a minute’s silence in memory of Richard Burnett, a faithful Club servant for many years including as Hon. Secretary from 1980 to 2001. A word that arose many times in letters received since his death was “meticulous”. Mr Steel then welcomed Yvonne Burnett to the meeting.

1. The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 29th June 2008

It was proposed by Mr Levy and seconded by Mr Steel that these be taken as read, confirmed and signed: this was agreed *nem con*.

2. Reception and adoption of the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2008, and reports of the Directors and Accountants thereon

Mr Wood noted that bar profit had gone down, due to the reallocation of some of the cleaning and similar costs – in previous years these had all been charged to Clubhouse expenses. Also bar prices were a little low, and would be increased this year.

Mr Wood announced that the Club’s accounting year end had been changed to 31st October from 2010 on, as this allowed more time to prepare the printed accounts in time for the Spring Circular. He felt that there should be no significant effect on the accounts, as all income was in and all Regatta-related costs would be paid by this time.

Mr Steel thanked Mr Wood for his efforts during the year. Mr Shove proposed and Mr Higgins seconded the adoption of the accounts; this was carried *nem con*.

3. Election of officers

- **President** – Mr Levy took the Chair for this item, and proposed the re-election of Mr Steel as President; Mr Tony Gordon seconded the proposal. Mr Steel’s election was agreed *nem con*. Mr Steel resumed the Chair.
- **Emeritus Vice-President** – the Committee had nominated no additions to the list of Emeritus Vice-Presidents, which would comprise only Mr D N Shelton, subject to his re-election by this meeting.
- **Vice-Presidents** – the current Vice-Presidents were Mr P D Hunter, Mr P R Jennings, Mr R G Higgins, Mr C D Kester, Mr M J S Levy, Mr C H E Fox, Mr G J E Lewis, Mr D G Shove and Mrs L J Malhi. The election of the Emeritus Vice-President and all these Vice-Presidents was proposed by Mr Andy Trotman, seconded by Mr Hopkirk and passed *nem con*.

- **Officers** – Mr Roland Wood was prepared to stand again as Hon. Treasurer. Mr Hunter proposed and Mr Francis seconded his re-election: this was agreed *nem con.*

Mr Shove was prepared to stand again as Hon. Secretary. Mr Steel proposed and Mr Fox seconded his re-election: this was agreed *nem con.*

- **Committee** – no changes were proposed to the current Committee.

Subject to the approval of the AGM, the Committee would therefore comprise Mr I Cowell (L), Mr J R Elder (Th), Mrs J K Fidan (née Fearnside) (M), Mr P A Francis (K), Mrs R Haining (Th), Mr R W A Hare (L), Dr C A Harrison (V), Mr R B Hopkirk (M), Mr R J Hurles (Tw), Mr N P Main (K), Mr M Piper (S), Mr R C Scott (Tw), Mr R Welch (V) and Mr R L K Wood (S).

Mr Boag proposed and Mr Hunter seconded the re-election of the Committee *en bloc*: this was agreed *nem con.*

4. **Election of the Reporting Accountants** – Mr Wood suggested the re-appointment of Messrs Villars Hayward as the Club's Reporting Accountants. Mr Higgins proposed and Mr Trotman seconded this motion, which was carried *nem con.*

5. **Any other business**

- Viewing races – once again, mention was made of the difficulty of watching races for those seated in chairs on the mound, when people stood at the front. Notices should be erected asking them not to do this – this was agreed, and would be done in time for this year's Regatta.

A suggestion was also made that a viewing platform might be erected on the upstream side of the towpath gate, for the use of Members only – the Committee undertook to consider this for next year.

- Club grounds – Mr Tony Gordon remarked that the new paths looked very smart.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.15pm.