

West Wilts Fly Fishers Guild

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 14th February 2018 8.00pm Shaw Hotel, Melksham

Present:

Jon Jonik (President & interim Treasurer), Roger Henderson (Secretary), Gerry Barnes, Keith Johnston, Robert Eadie, Colin Burbedge, Andy Greatwood, Malcolm Bond, Tim Pullen, Ged West, Maurice Dyer,

Apologies: Alan Kerr (Membership Secretary), John Sheppard, Richard Arney, William Arney, David Little, Ray Buckley-Humphries, George Cantello, Russell Bond, Mike Harris.

Approval of minutes of the 2017 AGM

Approved unanimously. No amendments.

Report from the President and Treasurer:

Jon Jonik presented the report giving an overview of the Guild's year during which there had been several well attended social fishing events, some excellent speakers at Guild meetings and some outstanding individual catches. Jon thanked members for their support and in particular those who had contributed to making 2017 another very successful year for the Guild with membership at 48 in total.

He noted however that our rivers had been only lightly fished so the continued rent of our retained stretch of The Mole will be reviewed at the end of 2018. Jon encouraged members to use it.

Jon circulated copies of the accounts. He informed members that because the Guild's finances were in excellent shape and the cost of renting just a 750 Metre stretch of The Mole/ Yeo would represent a significant saving the Committee had decided to reduce the 'Rivers' subscription from £70 to £40 for 2018. The Committee had also agreed to subsidise three Guild activities during the year - one bank and one boat outing by £10 per ticket and the Guild Dinner by £10 per person.

No questions were raised about the accounts and the meeting voted unanimously to approve them.

Jon was thanked by the meeting for the additional work he has carried out during 2017 to ensure the smooth running of The Guild by Chairing Committee meetings, taking on the Treasurer's role and aspects such as liaising with landowners over continued access to The Mole.

It is very much hoped that members of The Guild will step forward to join the Committee in 2018.

Elections:

No nominations had been received to fill the vacant Committee positions.

| <u>Officers</u> | <u>Nominee</u> |
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| Chairman - | vacancy |
| Treasurer - | vacancy |
| Secretary - | Roger Henderson |
| Membership Secretary - | Alan Kerr |
| Ad hoc Member - | vacancy |
| President - | Jon Jonik |
| Vice Presidents - | John DeCesare Malcolm Bond |
| Auditor - | Annette Bond |

The meeting voted unanimously to elect the above.

Close of AGM: There being no other business the AGM closed at 8.30pm.

Presentation of Trophies – see website for the full list of presentations made.