

West Wilts Fly Fishers Guild

Meeting Wednesday 11th January 2017 - 7.30pm Shaw Hotel

Present:

Jon Jonik, Alan Kerr, Roger Henderson, Richard Cripps, Ged West, Tim Pullen, David Little, Ray Buckley Humphries, Gerry Barnes, Robert Eadie, Colin Burbedge, Malcolm Bond.

1. Apologies:

Chris Holt, John Sheppard, John Dixon, Mike Harris, Keith Johnston

2. Minutes of November Guild meeting and matters arising.

Accepted without amendment.

3. Review of Guild Dinner

All agreed the Guild Dinner (Nov 18th) had been a superb occasion. Shaw Hotel had been thanked for their hospitality and the excellent food. Particular thanks to Robert and Mary for organising the Table Quiz. Jon emphasised the need to promote this year's Guild Dinner earlier in the hope that more members will attend

4. Fly-Tying sessions Thurs 12th, Thurs 19th and Thurs 26th January.

Several members have shown interest in taking part. Andy Greatwood has asked members to suggest particular flies and/or techniques they would like to learn.

5. 2017 Programme

The programme is on the Guild Website.

Malcolm Bond confirmed the River Mole Spring bank management session will take place over the weekend of Sat 18th and Sun 19th March.

6. Membership renewal process

Alan Kerr reminded members that membership subscriptions are due by March. He will email all members to let them know the methods for paying.

7. Committee Membership

Jon informed members that Stephen Keys may not be able to continue as Guild Treasurer after the AGM so we need someone to take on that role, which thanks to Stephens work has been substantially automated. Jon asked members to consider joining the Committee to help with the organisation required for the Guild to function. Anyone who feels they could help please contact Jon – email: jfjonik@gmail.com

8. AOB

- i) River Taw AGM & Dinner – Friday 17th March. This is the weekend of the Mole bank management session. The River Mole is part of the Taw catchment. Anyone wishing to attend the Dinner please contact Malcolm Bond - email: malbond1@btinternet.com

Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday 8th February 2017 – 7.30pm, Shaw Hotel, Melksham

Part 2 – New Year Quiz

Richard and John had prepared a fascinating and eclectic set of fishing related questions which entertained us, educated us and generally got 2017 off to a lively start. Particular thanks to Richard's wife Helen for assisting on the night.

