

**The Ford & Fordson Association  
Annual General Meeting  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 12.00 noon.  
Freisan Hall, Tractor World Show, Three Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire**

**The Minutes**

Twenty two members attended the meeting, which took place in the Freisan Hall during the annual Tractor World Show at the Three Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire. This was an experiment to see if the AGM would attract a wider membership and attendance. During the Show the FFA Stand and Tractor Display won first prize!

Committee attending: Chairman Pat Pawsey, Treasurer Jane Broomhall, Vice Chairman Conrad Hopkins, Merchandise Managers Rodney and Wendy Gibson, Show Managers, Margaret and Derek Badham, Technical Adviser Keith Broomhall, Committee, Ken Bailey and Secretary Rob Rushen-Smith.

After the introductions by the Secretary the Chairman, Pat Pawsey, welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

**Apologies for absence given:-**

President, Nick Battelle, Website Manager Graeme Clark, Committee: Peter Godwin and Simon Smart.

**Minutes of the last AGM** held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at 11.00am, The Yorkshire Museum of Farming, Murton. The Secretary distributed the Minutes and gave a précis of the events. Proposed by Conrad Hopkins and seconded by Rodney Gibson the Minutes were agreed as a true record by a show of hands and signed by the Chairman Pat Pawsey. There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

**Election of a new committee member.**

The Secretary confirmed the names of Committee Members for re-election for a further three years:- Patrick Pawsey, Jane Broomhall, Keith Broomhall and Graeme Clark were proposed by Conrad Hopkins and seconded by Rodney Gibson and approved by a show of hands.

The Chairman explained that Simon Smart had asked not to continue on the Committee and announced that the Secretary, Rob Rushen-Smith would also be retiring after 11 years. Rob then made a statement about his time as Secretary and thanked everyone for their support over the years. The committee had already agreed that he should be made an Honorary Member and on behalf of the Chairman and committee, Jane Broomhall then made a presentation to Rob of a silver pen and engraved case as a memento with the thanks of the members for all his work over the years.

**Any other business:**

**Peter Love**, founder of the FFA thanked the retiring Secretary for his work since the start in 2004 and explained his vision for the FFA at that time and his wish for the Association to be run in a professional way. He also related the early days including the first EXPO at Belvoir Castle and the first AGM in Suffolk. He also commented that he was pleased to see that the FFA was now much stronger than it had ever been before and he congratulated the Chairman, Committee and members that it was now standing proudly on its own feet.

**Tim Pearman** asked how he can find out more about local events and what was going on in the FFA and he was advised to refer to the **Ford & Fordson Tractors** magazine and the excellent Ford & Fordson Association website for all the details.

**Tim Pearman** further commented how friendly he found the Committee and members of the **Ford & Fordson Association** compared to the other Ford & Fordson tractor organisation. His comments were enthusiastically received by all those present.

The Chairman asked those present if there was any other questions but there being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 12.45 pm.

**The date and venue of next AGM to be advised**