

**The Ford and Fordson Association
Annual General Meeting
Sunday 26th February 2017 at 12.30
Fresian Hall, Tractor World Show, Three Counties Showground, Malvern, Worcestershire**

The Minutes

Twenty-one members attended the meeting, which took place in the Freisian Hall during the annual Tractor World Show at Malvern for the third year running.

The timing of the AGM was delayed so that it did not coincide with the timing of the Show's Prize Giving at 12 noon. It was pleasing to note that the FFA Stand and Tractor Display won first prize for the Best Club Stand, repeating its success in both 2015 and 2016.

Committee Members attending: Chairman Pat Pawsey, Merchandise Managers Rodney and Wendy Gibson, Show Managers Margaret and Derek Badham, Ken Bailey, Ian Prince, Treasurer/Secretary Jane Broomhall and Membership Secretary Keith Broomhall.

Apologies for absence were given by President Nick Battelle, Website Manager Graeme Clark, and Committee Peter Godwin.

The Chairman welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

Election of Officers

The Secretary explained that Conrad Hopkins had resigned from the Committee during the year and that both Lin Prince and Peter Mitchem had been co-opted to the Committee.

Committee members whose membership expires in 2017 were advised as Rodney and Wendy Gibson, Peter Godwin, Margaret and Derek Badham, Nick Battelle and Ken Bailey. Each had confirmed that they were happy to stand for a further three years.

Their election was confirmed by those present.

Minutes of the last AGM held on Sunday 29th February 2016 at 12.00 noon at Malvern were distributed ahead of the meeting and the Secretary provided a summary of the content. Proposed by Keith Broomhall and seconded by Andrew Green the Minutes were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.

Review of the Constitution

The Secretary and Chairman explained that the FFA Constitution required adjustment following the changed relationship with Kelsey in March 2016. This impacted on the contact address for the Association, the types of membership available and the timing of the AGM, now held in Spring each year rather than Autumn. Everyone attending the AGM were in favor of the adjustments and the proposal was seconded by Keith Broomhall.

Any Other Business

It was suggested by Andrew Green and agreed by all that we might make better use of email in the circulation of Club information to members. [Approximately 70% of members provide email information].

The Chairman advised that within issue 78 of the Club's magazine his pages would include a letters section; he asked for feedback as to whether members thought it a good idea.

Andrew Green asked how many members did the Club have in relation to the number of magazines circulated by Kelsey and whether we could incent people to subscribe via direct debit.

Nick Bryne suggested that a six-monthly direct debit, rather than annual, might be attractive and the Secretary agreed to see if this would be possible with the Club's direct debit provider.

Andrew Green commented on the warmth and welcome of the FFA stand at Malvern which is enjoyed by all.

With no further business, the meeting closed at 13.10.