

Chairman's Report – Patrick Pawsey Annual General Meeting – Saturday 22nd February 2025

I would like to start this year by welcoming Phil Gibson to the committee he was co-opted during the year and is standing for election this afternoon as required by our constitution, he will certainly receive my vote. Phil is well known to you all and has done a splendid job organising events for us, including this one, over the last few years.

Nothing ever stands still for long, and it is my privilege to thank Peter Mitcham and Ken Bailey, both long serving committee members, for the care and support they have given the Club over many years. They have decided it is time to retire from the committee, but I'm sure they will continue to support us. I have had a lot of fun with Ken over that time, but we all grow older, and times change.

Speaking of change, it seems to be all around us at the moment, I'm afraid some of it we will not like but to prosper the Club must evolve with it and I have every confidence that it will. Finally, it is my pleasure to report that the Club has had another very successful year as you will shortly hear in our Treasurers report, and that we are in a sound financial position to face the future.

Thank you.

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