

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BRITISH CLUB, GOTHENBURG

Held at 13.00 hours on Saturday 23 February 2013
at Haga Östergatan 26 (J-E & S Andersson), Gothenburg

1. The meeting was opened at 13.05 by Monica Edholm, Club Secretary. The 14 members attending were warmly welcomed.
2. The AGM elected Sheila Andersson as Chairman for the meeting and Monica Edholm as Secretary.
3. The Agenda was approved as per the proposed agenda attached to the Notice of the AGM previously distributed in accordance with the Club Statutes.
4. The Minutes of the previous AGM (22 Feb 2012) were read and approved.
5. Since the Chairperson was not present at the meeting, his Annual Report could not be received.
6. a) The Treasurer presented his Statement as attached. Compared to 2011, numbers attending the events had decreased somewhat and the subsidy the Club was paying per person attending was Kr 73.76. Bagby had to date paid back 73% of what he owed the Club. The Meeting thanked the Treasurer for hard work during the year. He, in turn, thanked Sheila and Monica for their work in the kitchen at all the events.
b) Membership fees for the year 2014: the Committee's suggestion to maintain the present fees, unless the situation demanded it in which case such an increase should be no more than Kr50. This was approved by the AGM.
c) In accordance with Swedish practice and the Club Statutes, the meeting reaffirmed the signatories for the Club as being the Treasurer or Chairperson per se.
(d) The Treasurer confirmed that he had opened a special account called the "Benefit Account" which would hold all monies donated to the Earl Haig Fund. This account would be emptied before the end of the year and monies distributed to the charities subscribed. Items a,b,c and d were all approved by the meeting. They were proposed by Keith Barnard and seconded by Jean Irving.
7. The Auditors' Report was presented by Lena O'Dowd and Gerry Montgomery. The report was approved by the AGM, proposed by Catrina Chaplin and seconded by Keith Barton.
8. A motion absolving the committee from legal responsibility as from the end of its term of office was proposed by Jean Irving and seconded by Mike O'Dowd and approved by the AGM.
9. Sheila Andersson was elected as Chairman for a 2 year period, Alan and Monica had one year left to run and the rest of the Committee for one year. It was not known if Chris Cosher and David Phillips were willing to stand on the Committee for 2013. Jean Irving and Catrina Chaplin were elected as new committee members. The Committee for 2013 is as follows:
Chairperson: Sheila Andersson
Secretary: Monica Edholm
Treasurer: Alan White
Member: Mike Batty
Member: Catrina Chaplin
Member: Jean Irving
Member: David Phillips (?) & Chris
Co-opted: Gisela Barnard (membership)
Co-opted: Paul Greer (Editor and Webmaster)
10. Lena O'Dowd and Gerry Montgomery were re-elected as Auditors for 2013. (prop K Barnard and sec. Jean Irving).
11. **Any Other Business**
 1. It was felt that the Website, Archives site, needed the addition of AGM minutes, The Club Statutes, and a few other amendments.
 2. The Meeting agreed that the November event should be the Poppy Day Tea, held at the Jaktslott on Saturday 14 November at 14.00 hrs.
12. The Chairman thanked the Committee members for their hard work during the year and the meeting closed at 13.45..