Oadby Hillwalking Club

**45th Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 25th April 2018**

The 45th AGM of the OHWC was held at the Conservative Club, Long street, Wigston.

Jenny Fox took the Chair. 10 other members were present.

**1.** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Jenny welcomed everybody present and asked that all questions should be addressed through the Chair.

**2.** **Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from 21members

**3.** **Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the 44th AGM held on Friday 28th April 2017 were agreed as a true record of the meeting.

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by John Bastow, seconded by Barbara Beattie; and were passed unanimously.

**4.** **Matters arising**

None.

**5.** **Treasurer’s Report and Adoption of Accounts**

The Treasurer, Alison Beckett, presented the accounts for the year ending 31st March 2018. The year finished with a surplus of £847.50, with a Balance of £4213.41.

£470 was paid out of last year’s accounts for the April 2018 bus.

£490 would be needed to make the advanced payment for the May 2018 bus.

Expenditure included donations to 3 Mountain Rescue teams and 1 to the Air Ambulance, a total of £600.

Woods Coaches have increased the cost of the coach from £470 to £490 per month for the forthcoming year.

Carol Hinks proposed adoption of the Accounts, seconded by Eileen Pott and these were passed unanimously.

**6.** **Membership Report –** presented by Carol Hinks

The average attendance this year for the Sunday coach trips has been just short of 44 with compared to last year’s 45. Our trip to Bakewell in January saw 51 members and guests on the coach. In fact we were close to turning members away. However on the morning 3 people did not turn up, so in the end none was disappointed. So, please book early and if you’re unable to come on the day DO CANCEL YOUR SEAT, to enable others on the Waiting List to go.

The lowest attendance was in September, when we went to Pontesbury with only 37 people.

The present membership stands at 88 which is very similar to the last few years.

We have many guests that have walked with us recently and we look forward to them joining the Oadby Hillwalking Club for the forthcoming year.

We still continue to attract many of our new members through our website.

Dave & Katrina Judson have tendered their resignations from the Club as they have moved to Hampshire. They thank the Club for the many happy years walking with us and also in bringing them together.

On a final note, numbers are still a little low for Chipping Campden, so do please see me afterwards if you would like to add your name to the list.

**7**. **Subscriptions and Bus Fares**

Despite the small increase in the monthly coach hire**,** it was proposed that Subscriptions and Coach Fares continue unchanged for the next 12 months. However the Committee reserve the right to adjust fares if so needed.

Acceptance proposed by Catherine Gwinnett and seconded by Alison Beckett.

**8. Donations**

Carol Hinksproposed that we increase the donations to the Air Ambulance and the Peak District Mountain Rescue from £150 to £200 each, and to keep the Mountain Rescue teams of the Lake District and North Wales at the same amount of £100 each. Totaling £600.

Seconded by John Bastow. All were in favour.

**9. Election/Appointment of the New Committee and Officers**

Jenny explained that the usual term on the committee was 3 years, with 2 people stepping down each year.

Retiring members: Alison Beckett and Carol Hinks

Both vacancies are for 3 years.

Alison Beckett as Treasurer was proposed by Carol Hinks and seconded by Fiona Clarkson..

Carol Hinks as Membership Secretary was proposed by Alison Beckett and Seconded by Jenny Fox.

There being no other nominees, no election was necessary.

Alison agreed to continue to look after the Club’s Website, until someone else volunteers.

Catherine Gwinnett will shadow Carol as Membership Secretary.

Eileen will continue as Social Secretary, but unable to participate in Hillwalking, as she is still recovering from her broken ankle.

**Officers**

Jenny Fox 2 years to serve Chairman (1 year)

Alison Beckett 3 years serve Treasurer/Webmaster

Eileen Pott 2 years to serve Social

Carol Hinks 3 years to serve Membership Secretary

Geoff Mattock 1 year to serve Walks Coordinator

Fiona Clarkson 1 year to serve Secretary/Newsletter Editor

**10. Any Other Business**

The EU “ General Data Protection Regulations” (GDPR) is operative from 22nd May 2018. Carol is drafting a pro-forma; after approval by the Committee this will be sent out to everybody on our mailing list, setting out the Club’s GDPR policy and seeking their agreement to the Club holding their personal information.(etc etc)

Carol to send out Membership Renewal Forms to all members.

Possible Social events include: Pie Night at Woodhouse; Skittles at the Wigston Conservative Club; Bus Trip to Liverpool/Greenwich/Kew Gardens

**11. Chairman’s Remarks**

Jenny thanked all members, including the Committee and leaders for supporting the Club during the last twelve months.

Jenny also thanked members who voted her in as Chairman for the next 12 months.

**There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.20pm.**

**Signed………………………………………..Dated………………………………..**

M Hinks

26/4/2018