

THE NATIONAL GUILD OF WINE AND BEER JUDGES



55th AGM at Peterborough, Saturday 3rd November 2018

Summary

The Chairman, Dave Pulley, invited the President, Bernard Lamb to open the meeting at 15.30.

President's Opening Address

NGWBJ President Bernard Lamb, welcomed everyone to the 55th Annual General Meeting. He thanked everyone for attending this excellent conference.

Attendance

There were 21 members present and the Honorary Secretary had received 15 apologies by mail, email and listed at the meeting. Members present were Geoff Fryer, Harry Rose, Kath Norman, Pauline Pearce, Lesley Cooper, Kate Edge, John Scottow, Richard Brooksbank, Colin Tweed, Ron Williams, Peter Robinson, Kevin Martin, John Grindell, Charles Shelton, Bernard Lamb, Colin Hotham, Elaine Robinson, Dave Pulley, Mike Davey, Charles Hill, Richard Baldwin. The apologies were as follows: Alan Eldret, Daphne Grant, Roger Kingdon, Michael Russell, Marian Martin, Alison Teal, Chris Evans, Don Hawkins, Eddie Evans, Ian Allonby, Jan Mitchell, Peter Ramsden, Phil Hardy, Geoff Cooper and Bob Marsden.

Minutes of the 2017 AGM

The minutes were taken as read and agreed unanimously by all members present at the meeting. Proposed: Bernard Lamb Seconded: Lesley Cooper

Matters Arising

None

Chairman's Report

He had managed to fulfil all requests to provide judges over the year and had received no complaints. He mentioned that NAWB had requested that the Guild could increase and update the beer definitions for next year's Show and then could be used in other competitions.

Treasurer's Report

There was no copy of the current accounts available. Dave will be visiting Joe shortly to talk to him about whether he should carry on as Treasurer or not and if he wants to carry on, what can be done to get the accounts out and ensure cheques are being paid in.

Propositions:

There were no propositions.

Election of Committee:

This unfortunately got missed from the proceedings although afterwards it was ascertained that all current committee members were prepared to carry on.

Any Other Business:

Lesley Cooper suggested that we do the Beer and Wine Assessments first thing on the Saturday morning. It would mean that the bottles need to be entered on the Friday evening. No one was against this suggestion.

It was pointed out that it was essential that it was checked that all membership cheques were cashed as they are time limited for 3 months. Dave said that was something he would be checking when he saw Joe.

There was a discussion about the new venue and generally people were happy with their experience over the weekend. It was suggested that we drop back a week and Elaine said she would talk to the hotel management to see if that was possible, but she was hopeful.

Dave thanked Elaine for organising the successful event this year at Peterborough.

There being no other business, Dave closed the AGM at 15.45.

Richard Baldwin. (Honorary Secretary)