



AGM held at Slitting Mill Village Hall on 9th April 2024

1 Welcome and Apologies.

Apologies were received from Maggie Causer, Irene Bohannon, Chris Travers-Brooks, Penny McLennan, Ray James. 49 members attended.

2. Minutes of last AGM on 11th April 2023.

The minutes and accounts were circulated to Members prior to the meeting. All agreed it was a true record. Proposed Audrey Kirk seconded David Clissold.

3. Chairperson Report.

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked every member and all committees Members for their support during her time as chairperson, stating it had been a pleasure and privilege to be the Chairperson.

4. Treasurer Report.

The Treasurer gave an in-depth report covering the last 12 months and was able to sum up that the finances were doing "Pretty Darn Well Actually". He reported that Interest Groups income and support had increased although fewer members attended the monthly Speaker Meeting. We received a grant of £500 from Hednesford Town which was used to replace the Projector for the monthly slide show.

CCU3A is on a firm financial footing which will enable him to support future events and functions. See attached report and Income and Expenditures Account. The current account balance is £8,792.28 and deposit account £4,729.53 as of 31st. December 2023. The accounts have been audited and verified. The Treasurer report was accepted proposed Mike Jobbins, seconded by Bryn Wellings. All agreed. The meeting gave a grateful round of applause to the Treasurer.

5. Membership Report.

- Unfortunately the Membership Secretary was unable to attend but sent a report. As of March 2024 we have 160 full members and 12 Associates members. We are still having new members joining.

6. Election Of Committee

Maureen Leeson has been proposed as the new Chairperson, Julya New as new Membership Secretary and Sara Clarke has join the Committee as a new Member. There was no further changes in Committee Officers. The meeting agreed to vote the changes en bloc. Proposed by Bryn Wellings, seconded by Sandy Withington. All agreed.

Chairperson. Mrs Maureen Leeson.

Vice Chair. Vacant.

Treasurer. Mr. Robert Leeson.

Membership. Julya New

Secretary. Mrs Valma Cooper.

Committee members:

Sheila Simpson, Pauline di Pretoro. Carol Howard, Angela Alison, Ann Round and Sara Clarke.

7 A Few Words from the New Chairperson.

The new Chairperson thanked all the committee members and especially those who had stepped down this year for their hard work. She felt CCU3A was thriving, some groups had waiting lists and there were further new groups starting up in the future. She reminded Members that CCU3A belongs to them all so any suggestion for future events would be welcome. A suggestion box is available for Members comments.

8. Update about Groups.

- The Poetry group is up and running and well attended,
- The French Group has changed venue and is now using the Community Fire Station, still on a Friday afternoon. The groups have been reconfigured. Week one the Advanced Group meets, week 2 the Improvers Group (which consists of the old Beginners Groups and new members with a knowledge of French) and week 3 an Amalgamation of both groups.

- Two new groups are proposed, Art History and Art Appreciation. Sign up sheets available.
- Adventure Activities Group has had a good response and is in the process of organising the first activity.
- Nordic Walking Group is going ahead in the near future when the group leader family health issues are resolved.
- Andy Cowan, leader of the Green Bowling Group, gave a short talk to explain about the group and invited Members to enrol.

9 Events to look forward to.

- A subsidised Coach trip to York on 12th June cost £15 is now taking bookings.
- The Christmas Lunch as been booked at Beau Desert Golf Club for 5th December. Details to follow later.

10. A.O.B

- Members were asked if they knew anyone who could take over managing CCU3A Web page.

The Next AGM will be April 2025.

Valma Cooper
CCU3A Secretary.