

# **ST RONANS PIPING SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

## **13 January 2008 at 3.00pm VALE OF LEITHEN SOCIAL CLUB**

**PRESENT:** Bruce Hamilton (President), Charles Gray (Secretary), Jennifer Johnstone(Treasurer), Jim Doherty (Committee), Johnstone Cox (Committee), Malcolm Rendle (Committee), Jack Purves, Shelley Hamilton, George Gilchrist, Lynda Gilchrist, Dorothy Gray, Kenny McPherson, George Brown

**APOLOGIES:** Jason Lafferty, Linda McCafferty

The President opened the meeting.

### **1 MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

CG tabled the minutes from the 2007 AGM.

GG proposed the minutes, JD seconded the minutes. The minutes were accepted by the meeting.

### **2 MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

### **3 COMMITTEE REPORT**

CG tabled the committee report for consideration by the meeting. DG proposed the report; LG seconded the report. The committee report was accepted by the meeting.

There were no matters arising from the committee report.

### **4 CONSIDERATION OF ACCOUNTS**

JJ tabled the accounts for consideration by the meeting and spoke to them

JJ stated monies had still to be received for the year – a profit of approx. £78 would result.

JJ stated that the AfA grant is a restricted fund ie only for the purpose for which it was granted and thus a loss had to be shown.

BH stated that Radio Borders had been paid twice and that the refund cheque had not yet been received.

The President opened the meeting to questions about the accounts. There were no further questions.

JP/JD proposed the accounts be accepted; MR seconded the accounts. The accounts were accepted by the meeting.

### **5 ELECTION OF COMMITTEE**

### **6 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

The above agenda items were taken together.

The committee resigned but it was stated that all bar CH were willing to stand for re-election. It was stated that another body was needed. George Brown volunteered, Shelley hamilton

volunteered and Alan Johnston was volunteered in his absence. There were no other nominations. CG proposed the re-election of the existing committee plus the three volunteers. BH seconded the

motion. The remaining committee members plus the three above candidates were re-elected unopposed by the meeting. The office bearers were re-elected unopposed.

### **7 FIXING OF SUBSCRIPTIONS**

The President reminded the meeting of the current level of subscriptions - £5 for individual members, £50 for corporate members. BH proposed that subscription rates remain the same,

JD seconded the proposal. No other proposals were received therefore the proposal was accepted by the meeting.

### **8 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**CHAMPIONSHIPS** – BH stated that the next Innerleithen Pipe Band Championship would be held on Saturday 14 June 2008. Jimmy Cockburn would be the Chieftain. CG stated that this

particular Saturday was free of any other pipe band contest therefore there may be an increase in bands attending. BH stated this year's event was not the week prior to a major championship and therefore to reduce costs the number of judges could be reduced to 1 piping and 1 drumming judge. BH said RSPBA HQ assigns judges which influences our costs. BH stated that the playing requirements would be kept as for the next major championship. There was discussion on the arrangements. DG asked if the SRPS had ever received a breakdown of costs from the RSPBA. BH stated no, not in the detail that we would like.

**DRAW** – BH stated the draw for the championships should take place on Monday 12 May at 8.00pm but this had to be confirmed. Late entries would be accepted but as always they would be expected to play first.

**PROGRAMME** – BH stated that 30 April was the programme deadline for the inclusion of members sponsors advertisers etc. It was hoped to get the programme out 1-2 weeks prior to the event. BH asked the committee and members to look out for all possible money raising opportunities.

**CONCERT** - BH stated that the AfA grant was for the production of a concert. The provisional date was 19 April 2008 – it was hoped a Grade 1,2, 3, and 4 band would play; any monies raised would be pure profit.

**MINI-BAND CATERING** – BH stated that SRPS and TVPB had been asked but would NOT be doing the catering at the 2008 RSPBA L&B Mini-Bands

There being no further business, the President thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 1.30pm.