



## **WESSEX TREC**

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Wessex Trec Club on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020

1. Due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the difficulties of meeting in person the agenda and reports for this meeting were circulated to members by email by the Membership Secretary. The voting to approve the motions on the agenda was carried out by response to the email.

#### **2. Approval of minutes of the AGM on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

27 members voted to approve the minutes. There were 4 abstentions from people who had not attended the 2019 AGM. The minutes therefore are confirmed as a true record of the meeting.

#### **3. Chair's Report**

The report from the Chair on the year's activities was circulated in advance. 30 members voted in favour of accepting the report; there was one abstention. The report is therefore approved and is attached below.

#### **4. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report and financial statement on the 2019/2020 accounts were also circulated in advance.

There was one amendment: the date on the 2018/19 report should be amended from 2018 to 2019.

There was one query on the income from training which was referred to the treasurer. She explained that generally income from training and competitions was not split as it was not always possible to identify what a payment to the Club was for from the BACS reference. However this was improving as people become more used to using BACS references, so it should be easier to differentiate between different income streams in future.

28 members voted to accept the treasurer's report; 1 was against, 1 abstained. The report is therefore approved and is attached below.

#### **5. Membership Report**

As of 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 there were 98 members of Wessex TREC, including 1 honorary member, 5 supporter members and 6 junior members. The renewal process for 2020/21 is in progress and we expect numbers to drop a little because of the impact of COVID-19 on our activities this year. Hopefully this is a short term impact and numbers will build again with more events going ahead now.

## **6. Presentation of Awards**

Awards were presented this year to the following people who have been nominated by members as having performed over and above their level:

Best Newcomer: Vicky Cresswell

Most improved: Sarah Gray; Martina Kasar

Congratulations to all three – Prizes will be sent out to them.

## **7. Amendment of para 4.3 of constitution to restrict number of committee members to a maximum of 10**

The members were asked to approve an amendment to the constitution to limit the number of people serving on the committee to no more than 10, as shown below:

*4.3 The committee shall comprise at least four members, **but not exceed ten**, who shall elect from amongst themselves a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer, and if possible a Vice Chair, Membership Secretary, and Webmaster, all posts being honorary.*

28 members voted to accept the amendment; there were 2 votes against the amendment and 1 abstention. The amendment has therefore been approved.

## **8. Election of Committee**

3 committee members stood down from the committee this year (Michelle Bowe; Christine Massey; Angela Percival)

7 committee members were willing to stand again (Melanie Bowers; Helen Curley; John Hargreaves; Sue Hargreaves; Christine Harling; Frances Huckle; Zara Lawlor; Mark Shire)

2 club members have been nominated to fill the vacancies, both experienced and long term members of Wessex TREC:

Yvonne Allen (proposed by Mark Shire, seconded by Sue Hargreaves)

Jan Tucker (proposed by John Hargreaves; seconded by Chris Massey)

Members voted to accept the new committee with 30 in favour and 1 abstention.

## **9. AOB**

The committee expressed its gratitude for their hard work and support to the three members of the committee who are standing down this year – amongst many other things, Michelle has been instrumental in setting up the volunteer points system, whilst Angela has kept us all focused on the job in setting the agendas and recording the minutes of our meetings. Above all, we thank Chris Massey for her huge amount of work, initially as Vice Chair and subsequently three years as Chair, when, with characteristic calm and forbearance, she has kept us positive both in good times and in more difficult circumstances and crises (especially this year!) We wish her an enjoyable retirement but she still intends to be an active member of Wessex TREC, so we look forward to seeing her - and Michelle and Angela - at events in future.

## Chair's report 2019-2020

This has certainly been an interesting year, back in September, we had planned a full Winter program of competitions and trainings, but sadly with Atlantic storms, outbreaks of Strangles and equine flu, our schedule went out the window. We did managed to find alternative venues and reschedule some events. Trec GB even extended the Winter season into April, so that we could catch up with outstanding competitions. Then along came Covid 19. This put paid to all our trainings, Camp, two Fun days and three Summer Competitions. Even though the season was cut short some of our members were highly placed in the Trec GB Winter League: very well done to all of you.

We also ran our own Wessex Winter League again - thank you to Christine for organising this - many of you received rosettes in the Spring. We are looking at possibility of awarding trophies next year.

Your Horse Live was a first for Trec this year, with a ridden demonstration and commentary by Amanda Marfleet. Some of our members helped on the stand, where they talked to anyone who was interested, generating over 400 leads. These were followed up at club level. We and Trec GB are looking at Youth Development in the coming year. So we are on the lookout for some more young members to join us. There are also some new obstacles for the Winter season for us to learn and practice.

At times in the early part of this last year we were struggling for helpers at competitions, so we introduced a reward scheme, which converts hours volunteered, into money off your competition entries. Many of you have accumulated hours, this is working very well, thank you to Michelle for administering this.

A great big thank you goes out to all those who took on the responsibility of organising Competitions and all the instructors who have put on any trainings, mounted and un-mounted during the last year. These really do help all our members learn and improve the Trec skills.

We have rebooked Camp and all the venues for the Summer competitions for 2021, so let's hope that we can get back out exploring the beautiful countryside, doing our best not to get lost.

Lastly, I would like to thank all of the Committee members, and other members who work incredibly hard to put on competitions and trainings for all of you to enjoy. I have decided it's time for me to step down, as Chair, it has been a privilege working with everyone on the Committee for the last four years. You have been incredible supportive of me and our club, but it is time for change.

## Wessex Treasurer report 2020 AGM

Having started our year in September 2019 with a busy winter season of indoor competitions and trainings and some exciting Summer venues to look forward to we came to an abrupt halt in March.

Despite this we were still able to make a Donation of £100 to the Cotswold Riding for the Disabled whose arena we frequently use for both competitions and trainings and due to the corona virus were unable to operate but still had their horses to feed and maintain.

We started this year with a balance of £7075.25 and ended with a balance of £8262.39

Below is the financial report for 18/19 and 19/20 (*Note: heading on left hand column should read Accounts for 2019*)

Wessex TREC Club ACCOUNTS FOR 2018 (01/10/18 - 30/09/19)				Wessex TREC Club Accounts for 01/10/2020 (01/10/2019 - 30/09/2020)			
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
MEMBERSHIP FEES			£ 560.00	MEMBERSHIP FEES			£ 910.00
ENTRY FEES			£28,245.50	ENTRY FEES			£ 10,939.42
TREC GB MEMBERSHIPS			£ 260.00	TREC GB MEMBERSHIPS			£ 95.00
CORALLING			£ 5.00	CORALLING			£ -
FUNDRAISING			£ -	FUNDRAISING			£ -
DONATIONS AND MISC INCOME			£ 10.00	DONATIONS AND MISC INCOME			£ -
TRAINING			£ 490.72	TRAINING			£ 140.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>£29,571.22</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>£ 12,084.42</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
TREC GB			£ 2,754.40	TREC GB			£ 982.40
VENUE HIRE			£ 5,928.78	VENUE HIRE			£ 2,691.68
TOILET HIRE			£ 1,393.43	TOILET HIRE			£ 243.00
SUBSCRIPTIONS			£ -	SUBSCRIPTIONS			£ 51.00
STATIONERY			£ -	STATIONERY			£ -
INSURANCES			£ 211.45	INSURANCES			£ 288.42
TRAVEL			£ 2,117.13	EXPENSES			£ 746.18
DONATIONS			£ 455.15	DONATIONS			£ 100.00
ENTRY FEES			£ 3,902.20	ENTRY FEES			£ 2,665.00
MEMBERSHIP FEES			£ 10.00	MEMBERSHIP FEES			£ 10.00
SUNDRY PAYMENTS			£ 2,495.74	SUNDRY PAYMENTS			£ -
TROPHIES			£ 153.33	TROPHIES			£ -
ROSETTES			£ 1,043.70	ROSETTES			£ 1,164.50
INSTRUCTORS			£ 2,797.45	INSTRUCTORS			£ 1,801.70
KIT			£ 6,615.95	KIT			£ 171.42
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>£29,878.71</b>	<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>£ 10,915.30</b>
<b>B/FWD BALANCE</b>	£ 7,383.06			<b>B/FWD BALANCE</b>	£ 7,093.27		
<b>PROFIT FOR YEAR</b>	-£ 307.49	<b>TSB C/A</b>	£ 6,975.57	<b>PROFIT FOR YEAR</b>	£ 1,169.12	<b>TSB C/A</b>	£ 8,144.69
		<b>CASH IN HAND</b>	£ 100.00			<b>CASH IN HAND</b>	£ 117.70
<b>BALANCE IN HAND</b>	£ 7,075.57	<b>BALANCE</b>	£ 7,075.57	<b>BALANCE IN HAND</b>	£ 8,262.39	<b>BALANCE</b>	£ 8,262.39