



**Ninth Annual General Meeting of  
The Association of the UK School of Professional Toastmasters**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015 - 2pm  
Quy Hotel, Cambridge**

- 1) **Welcome by John Reid – President AUKSPT**
  
- 2) **Attended by:- ( Shorter list than apologies!)** Andrew Bigby, Robert Gilbert, Stuart Holton, Graham Hunt, Patrick Lethaby, Stewart Lilly, Robert Lloyd, Glenn Mayes, Paul Mitchell, John Oakley, Denis Plater, Yvonne Hurley, John Reid, Sonal Shah, Mark Shaw-Brookman, David Wylie  
John Reid stated that it was disgraceful that @ ten members have not replied reference the AGM, despite Paul Mitchell having spent many hours chasing miscreants.
  
- 3) **Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> AGM 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2014.** Having previously been circulated, these were read by secretary Stuart Holton. Accepted unanimously, proposed John Oakley, Seconded by Glenn Mayes. President John Reid signed the minutes as a true record.
  
- 4) **Matters arising –** President John Reid enquired about ties, and Rob Gilbert replied, matter in hand, planning stage.
  
- 5) **President's Report – John Reid:-** The President presented his report. Copy attached. The President thanked members of the Executive committee for their support and efforts during his year in office. President John was very concerned about lack of school profit, must start paying back investment. Hearty congratulations to Denis Plater , now Ordained!

Formal record of vote of thanks to Bob Brown for work on constitution, etc. Rob Gilbert for long service, and congratulations to Glenn Mayes , 'Deputy Lieutenant of Essex' !

Big thanks to Paul Mitchell for organising the weekend !

- 6) **Secretary's Report – Stuart Holton.** Secretary presented his report, there were no questions. Please find copy attached.
  
- 7) **Resolution for revised constitution – President John Reid.**  
Modified constitution presented to meeting. Proposed for acceptance by Mark Shaw- Brookman. Seconded David Wylie, accepted unanimously.
  
- 8) **Treasurer's Report – and financial statements – Mark Shaw-Brookman.** The Treasurer presented his report, and the accounts were unanimously adopted. Please see copy attached.  
Stuart Holton proposed, seconded by Andrew Bigby that the presented accounts be adopted.

Total membership @64

52 members taking insurance @£15

Public Liability remains @5million

Treasurer reminded all subs/fees **must be paid** by March 16<sup>st</sup> ..... or else !!

John Reid proposed an uplift of membership fees of @ £10. Total membership fee of £100 including insurance. Seconded by Patrick Lethaby. Passed unanimously

President John Reid proposed a vote of thanks to Mark Shaw-Brookman for his diligence and hard work in his role as treasurer. Treasurer made a plea that emails and addresses are kept up to date. Please notify Treasurer and Secretary.

#### 9) **Election of Officers 2015/16**

**President – Paul Mitchell** Proposed by John Reid – Seconded Stuart Holton

**Senior Vice President** – Mark Shaw-Brookman – Proposed by John Oakley – Seconded by Andrew Bigby

**Junior Vice President** – Matthew Adam – Proposed by John Reid – Seconded by Robert Gilbert

**Secretary – Andrew Bigby** – proposed Stuart Holton – Seconded Mark Shaw-Brookman

**Treasurer** – Stewart Lilly Ratification-

**Examiners of Accounts** - Chris Upham, proposed by Sonal Shah , seconded by Denis Plater David Wylie proposed by Mark Shaw-Brookman – seconded by Yvonne Hurley.

There being no need for a ballot in relation to any of the above positions. The President declared that all the nominees were duly elected to the relevant positions.

The following members were also elected onto the Executive Committee

#### **Committee Members**

John Reid, Denis Plater, Glenn Mayes, Stuart Holton . Sonal Shah, proposed by Denis Plater, Seconded by Robert Gilbert.

#### 10) **Election of Life Member**

Despite having recently lost a battle with his wheelbarrow ... the battered, but greatly respected Graham Hunt was proposed by President Paul Mitchell, seconded by John Reid, for the position of life member.

Enthusiastically endorsed by all present.

11) **AOB – Robert Gilbert** – Looking at red tie with our badge in middle, very sartorial. John Reid asked for design to be shown to members.

#### 12) **Presentation by outgoing President**

Newly demoted, and jobless John Reid, very generously presented a beautiful goblet to his successor.

#### 13) **Presentation to Officials**

Gongs were grasped and exchanged

14) **Date for the 11<sup>th</sup> AGM – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2016 ( Or possibly 20<sup>th</sup> )** – venue to be confirmed ... should be Oxford/ Bicester/ Banbury triangle

