

# Uppingham Veterans Rifle Club

The AGM of the of the U.V.R.C. Held at the Old Sergeants Mess, Bisley at 21.20 on Thursday 13th July 2023

#### Present:

Ant Ringer (TAR); Chris Watson (CW); David Mathieson (DM); Dominic Symington (DS); Henry Reynolds (HR); John Webster (JGMW); Jonathan Hull (JH); Jonathan Rainbird (JR); Kev Gladding (KG); Michael Horrell (MRH); Nick Hinchliffe (NH); Reg Curtis (RC); Robin Pizer (RP); Sam Hunting (SAH); Simon Belither (SB).

## 1. Apologies

Ben Bullard, Simon and Jeanie Pattinson, James Watson (JAW), Jo Dickson, Stephen Merton-Jones, Nigel Griffiths, Robert Kenwood, Emma Cannings, and Gareth Morris.

## 2. Minutes of the last AGM

No copies were handed out, but were instead available on the website. The 2022 minutes were therefore not approved during the meeting and will instead be distributed to the club by email for approval. *Action for SAH*.

## 3. Treasurer's Report (AR)

In (JAW)'s absence, the Treasurer's report was presented by TAR, which summarised that the account was in good standing, with a minor surplus of approximately £42. It was noted that Jeremy Mumby has now inspected our accounts (as Independent Examiner) for 20 years and in recognition of this, it was proposed that he should be awarded Honorary Life Membership for UVRC. This was proposed by JAW (ahead of the meeting), seconded by DM and passed unanimously.

JAW had proposed (by email) an Honorary Life Membership for Walter Brown in recognition of the years of service he has given the club including writing the club report for over 40 years. The proposal was seconded by DM and passed unanimously.

The Club's Home Office Approval renewal was approved in 2023. The increased costs of this may lead to membership fees going up, but the Treasurer recommended no changes for the current period.

### 4. Captain's Report (RC)

The captain welcomed the club and noted the abysmal and changing weather no doubt due to climate change. He announced that the Veteran's performed in accordance with the status quo during the Vet's match for once, with the A team beating the B team beating the C team.

## 5. School report (KG)

KG shared the success of the school team who placed third in the Ashburton IVs for the second year in a row. It was also noted that if the team had achieved this year's score last year, it would have earnt them first place. One Uppingham cadet placed in the "Cadet 100" this year. There was also success in the Bermuda Cup where they beat both Oakham and Oundle.

#### 6. Election of officers

JH proposed all roles be re-elected en bloc, which was seconded by SB.

Whilst not mentioned in the meeting, it has noted separately that Oliver Howard-Vyse has not been in contact with the club or active in his role as Under 25 captain, so a replacement is recommended.

### 7. Awards

## **Club Championship:**

The 2022 Championship had been won by TA Ringer

# **Donegall Badge:**

Was not awarded this year, as all members in attendance had received one.

As per the 2022 minutes, Jo Dickson is owed a Donegall badge and so this one shall be reserved for her.

**Pattinson Trophy:** Ant Ringer, with a score of 50.6 (A Team) in the Vet's match.

Presidents Tankard: Jeremy Tsai

Watson Bowl: Sofia Kim

Ferrand Cup: Jeremy Tsai

**School Shooting Ties:** Sofia Kim and Ethan Cousins

# 8. School Captain's Speech

Alastair White gave a rousing speech as the School captain, thanking all in attendance. Special note was given to the club's generous donation of £3000, which was matched by the school.

### 9. Any other business

The President's Tankard is owed to the following members, who were unable to receive one due to absence or Covid-related reasons:

2020 – Abi Howe

2021 - Hugo Turnbull-Hall

2022 – Alastair White, who is also eligible for a School Shooting Tie

(SAH) to arrange retroactive issuing.

There being no other business the meeting concluded at 21.42 hrs