



The Friends of King's Wood

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Challock Village Hall on Monday 21st November 2016 at 7.00pm

Apologies

Heather Standen, Wendy Jolly

Presentation by Jane Buss – Hare Preservation Trust

Jane gave a very interesting talk about hares and the Hare Preservation Trust. She was very entertaining and knowledgeable. There were lots of questions from the floor. Jane was warmly thanked for coming to our AGM to educate us about these wonderful animals.

Election of Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer

Chairman: Diana Sawyer proposed by Jean McDermott and seconded by Angela Berry.

Secretary: Julie Hall proposed by Diana Sawyer and seconded by Wendy Hogg.

Treasurer: Heather Standen proposed by Diana Sawyer and seconded by David Berry.

Election/Nomination of other Committee Members

Wendy Hogg, Wendy Jolly.

Representatives - Kentish Stour Countryside Partnership (KSCP) Jon Shelton.

Martin Hook agreed to receive membership renewals and keep the group e-mails updated.

Minutes of the AGM held on the 16th November 2015

Signed by Diana Sawyer as a correct record, there being no matters arising.

Chairman's Annual Report

The chairman thanked all the Friends, and also gave sincere thanks to the walks and events leaders, including Wendy, Jon, Elaine, Caroline Ware, Richard, Steve P, Claire (moth evening), Jason, Steve H, and Martin.

The chairman gave a huge vote of thanks to the committee including:- Heather Standen – Treasurer; Jules Hall – Secretary; Wendy Hogg; Wendy Jolly; Kate Harris FC and Jon Shelton KSCP. She also thanked Martin Hook for verifying membership renewals and sending out group emails, Simon Cavell for our website, Jean McDermott for alerting KmFM to our activities and Chaverneys for auditing our accounts. Jean McDermott also wanted to thank the committee for all that they do.

Two leaking ponds had been restored in the forest. One has a fence with pig wire around to deter dogs and prevent other damage. The other (Land Rover pond) has a fence on one side to prevent vehicles from damaging the pond and liner. Newts and other pond inhabitants and other signs of wildlife had been spotted at both ponds already.

The Winter Warmer walks were well attended. The weather had been rainy and thundery at the village fetes, but even so many children's prizes were handed out.

Treasurer's Report

The Friends' Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended the 31st August 2016 was circulated with the agenda. The Chairman thanked Chaverneys for auditing the accounts which showed a modest decrease in funds, after expenditure, of £353.84 including the pond restoration.

King's Wood Country Quiz 2017

The chairman announced that the quiz would be on Saturday 11th March in Iron Room, Boughton Lees, TN24 4HP at 7.30pm.

AOB

None

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