

Minutes of the Offchurch Wood Turners Club

7 March 2019

Committee

Chairman	Nick Milton
Secretary	Steve Jennings
Treasurer	Dave Williams
Membership Secretary	Dave Simms
Editor	Mike Sharman
Assistant Editor/Web site	Jan Lucas

1. Chairman's Address.

The meeting opened at 1930 Hrs and the Chairman welcomed all attending. A copy of the Chairman's report is attached to these minutes.

During the address discussion was made on the following:

- The Christmas function a was a success and thanks to all those who contributed. It was good to see John and Mary Davies still come along and remember us.
- A thanks to fellow committee members for their work over the year.
- The club now has enough funds to consider the financing of a demonstration. Members were asked to think about what they would like. The consensus was that it should be something unusual and not something members would routinely do themselves.
- The team nights work well and the egg and egg cup night was especially worthwhile. These should continue and members are encouraged to submit ideas such as the 'two piece candlestick'.
- The Facebook page needs further development so we can perhaps attract more members. Steve Jennings agreed to look at this issue.
- In an attempt to attract more members the club should look at putting on a stand at 'Woodworks' Daventry 11-12 May 2019. Also at Party in the Park in June 2019. Mick Smetts offered to investigate this.

2. Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the 2018 AGM were presented, reviewed and passed. Proposer Dave Parry, Seconder Jan Lucas.

3. Treasurer's Report.

Due to ill health David Williams could no longer undertake the Treasurer position. Andrew Smith had volunteered to stand in until this AGM when he was formally elected Treasurer. Therefore there was no official report presented to the AGM. The club has £1029.00 in the bank account.

The signatures for cheque signing need to be updated. There appears to be some administrative error whereby the signatories from 2011 have not formally been recognised by the HSBC. The only signatory is the Chairman. The Treasurer and Secretary will ensure they become signatories. Once this is completed a review of the account and report made.

A vote of thanks from all the members to David Williams for his time as Treasurer and we wish him well for the future.

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4. Election of the Committee.

The elected committee for 2019 – 2020 is:

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| • Chairman | Nick Milton |
| • Secretary | Steve Jennings |
| • Treasurer | Andrew Smith |
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5. A.O.B.

- Despite the Secretary sending in the club registration form for Axminster in January 2019 the club is still not recognised as being registered although the club name appears on the Axminster system. The secretary took an action to speak with Axminster and resolve this problem.
- Club insurance is up for renewal in June 2019. To obtain the best price Ken Croft took an action to obtain a quotes from insurance brokers.
- The requirement of PAT testing the club equipment was raised. It transpires that it is not required if the equipment is used at the village hall.
- There was discussion whether members work should be brought in and positively reviewed by other club members. There was some objection to this idea and the idea left open.
- There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.32 Hrs.

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Chairman's report 2018 / 2019

Another year has flown by, we have had some interesting demonstrations by our club members who I would like to thank for their time effort and skills and entertaining evenings, not to mention the very entertaining banter that goes with this ordeal, during and after the event, keep it up.

A great after Christmas social was again a great success and many thanks to all that organised and helped with this event. Quick thank you here for Mary and John who come along from Wales just to be part of our club. Reminder here it is our club, we must ensure it stays that way.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank David for his sterling work as treasurer who single handed take our monies each club night. David has been taken very ill and has had to stop coming along, as yet I have not heard anything from his son as to how he is doing, Andy has kindly stepped into the hot seat, good luck, to Mike for woodies each month to Jan for running the club newsletter on line, to Dave Simms as membership secretary and to Steve who has been dealing with Offchurch hall committee .big thanks all round seems the issues have been resolved. Good work.

For the coming year I am asking for a member to be appointed onto the committee to help organise demonstrations and demonstrators for our club nights and hands on sessions and some input from members as to what they would like to see and what sort of topics we should be trying to organise. To this part we had a very good evening making eggs and egg cups, all members participating and enjoying themselves, a few more of these will be organised, I am thinking of a two piece candle stick for the next one, any more suggestions please.

This leads onto a more pressing point, can you please ensure that you have paid your annual subscription and that you pay for your club night and your raffle. Funds are becoming an issue of late to be able to afford the required costs of getting professional turners and demonstrators for club nights, also please remember it is your club, you do need to turn up and you do need to pay up to keep the club going.

A request for a member to take on the role of keeping the facebook page going, I am sure we are missing out on new members.

A new membership form will be used from now on and I would ask that you give us your contact details and also your e mail address so we can contact you.

Many thanks.

The Offchurch Woodturning Club

Accounts Summary							
1 st March 2017 to 28 th February 2018				1 st March 2016 to 29 th February 2017			
		Receipts	Payments			Receipts	Payments
Membership		263.00				272.50	
Attendance		468.00				521.00	
Social Events (Inc. Hire of Hall)		240.50	207.84			191.50	78.31
Village Hall monthly meetings room hire			396.00				432.00
Insurance			200.83				182.00
Demonstrators costs			0				677.00
Annual charge for secure cupboard			125.00				125.00
Shop		59.00					25.64
Raffle monthly		136.00				128.00	
Raffle Prizes			85.45				107.31
Refreshments			36.69				33.99
Web site hosting			58.06				58.06
Donation						150.00	
Totals		£1,166.50	£1,109.87			£1,263.00	£1,719.31
Bank Balance							
HSBC @ 28/02/2018		£724.78				HSBC @ 29/02/2017	£714.09
Cash @ 28/02/2018		£54.63				Cash @ 29/02/2017	£8.69
Totals		£779.41					£722.78