

**Annual General Meeting
7.30pm, 6 October 2011
Minutes – issue 2**

Held at The Compass Inn, Tormarton.

1 Chairman's report

Richard Danbury presented his Chairman's report.

Regarding sites administration, he reported that the new sites of Morgan's Ridge and Spencer's Bowl had been working well, although it was observed that weather conditions had not allowed as much use as had been hoped. He also reported that a new agreement had been made with the MoD to cut the corner of the Salisbury Plain danger area at Upton Scudamore when flying from Westbury. The agreement allows the corner to be cut by 1km more than previously. Members were reminded that only Avon Club members are permitted to use the agreement, and that it can only be used by arrangement.

Richard reminded the meeting that the responsibilities of Treasurer and Membership Secretary are now combined into the Treasurer's role. He also said that the new role of Club Secretary (created by the change to the constitution at the 2010 AGM) had not been filled during the year.

Richard also reminded the meeting of the committee's decisions regarding the main social events. No Mere Bash was held this year, the intention being to hold it every other year, alternating with the Wessex Club summer party. This was because there was a feeling that the Mere Bash in recent years has not been quite as successful in attracting attendees as it should be. Also, Richard spoke about the decision to move the Christmas party to February, and to return to a more formal sit-down meal format.

2 Treasurer's report

Graham Richards presented his Treasurer's report. The report gave details of the income and expenditure for the year, including figures for the Christmas party, club meetings, sites fees, competition fees, trophies, library acquisitions and the club magazine.

The accounts for the year had been more straightforward than usual because no Mere Bash had been held, no members had claimed a subsidy for the BHPA club coach course, and there had been no parachute repack. Graham told the meeting that the club's total funds had increased during the year by £1,194.72 to £13,536.96.

Graham reported that the accounts had been audited by Ian Anslow, a club member, who declared them to be "easy to understand and accurate".

The Treasurer's role also includes membership administration, so Graham also presented a report on membership. Membership numbers have gradually declined each year since 2004, and dropped by a further 9 in 2011 to 158.

3 Election of the committee for 2012

The following club members were elected unopposed to committee posts for 2012.

Committee post	Name
Chairman	Ken Wilkinson
Treasurer	Graham Richards
Secretary	Rich Harding

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Committee post	Name
Social Secretary	Ian Anslow
Sites (Overall)	Nick Somerville
Sites (North)	Wayne Buckland
PG Safety	Richard Hellen
PG Competitions	Alan Davies
PG Low Airtime	Iain Mackenzie
HG Safety	Tony Moore
HG Competitions	Neil Atkinson
HG Low Airtime	John Cheale
Nova Editor	Rob Kingston
Webmaster	Rich Harding
Librarian	Ben Friedland
Chief Coach HG	Chris Jones
Chief Coach PG	VACANT

The meeting was closed at approximately 8.30pm.