

Summary of RCTA 2018 Annual General Meeting

Meeting commenced at 12 midday with 24 members in attendance. Email voting was also closed at 12 midday and 8 votes counted by post at close. Total members Voting 32 which is approximately a third of our membership.

Announcements

Sadly, an announcement had to be made regarding very sad news received on the death of one of our members Z Greenman. Andrew said that Z would be missed by all and was a very nice guy to work with, a card was passed around the room for members to sign with their condolences to Brin, which was sent to her with a basket of flowers.

Matters Arising

- Membership Pack – Teresa reported the New member pack was improving-information is on website, membership card/sticker/discount cards/Lanyards are in the pack and any new suggestions for the pack was asked for.
- Membership fees- It was agreed that membership fees would stay the same for 2018.
- Membership of other groups- It was agreed not to join other groups, that it would be too much commitment with no benefit to us, therefore remain independent.

Election of 2018/19 Trustees

Justina Evans chose to step down as Secretary and Trustee. We thank her for her time and commitment over the last 2 years and wish her all the best.

Trustee 1 - Chair- Ronni Payne - Carried

Trustee 2 - Treasurer – Andrew Mills - Carried

Trustee 3 - Trustee - Susan Meades – Carried

2018/19 Steering Group

You can find more details on your SG [HERE](#)

Ronni Payne	Chair, RCTA Facebook Lead, Market & Events Coordinator
Andrew Mills	Treasurer, CRT Liaison & Traders Liaison
Susan Meades	PR Communications, Marketing, Facebook, Twitter & Admin Support
Rona Hawes	Market Administration Support
Teresa Tunnicliffe	Membership & New Trader Liaison
Jules Jarman	Instagram Lead
Jackie Warren	#buyitoffaboat Shop & Internal Communication
Lesley Jordan	Market & Event Administration & Support

Welcome to our New SC Members :0)

Julie Tonkin	Radio & TV Communications
Karl Wager	Southern Market Support

Proposals

7.1 – Constitutional Change - Carried

7.2 – Constitutional Change - Carried

7.3 – Constitutional Change - Carried

7.4 – Constitutional Change - Motion not carried

7.5a - Charitable Donation - In previous AGM's we have learned that discussing donations to charity can become very heated and can make coming to a fair and diplomatic conclusion difficult. This year we approached the matter of charity donations differently. Members who advised their apologies were emailed an online voting form to enable them to register their votes on line and those who attended were given a confidential voting form with the following wording.

7.5a Proposal to Donate to Charity

Last year it was agreed that a sum would be set aside from any operating surplus to be given towards a waterways charity ~ suggestions are sought for the amount and to which charity the gift should be made.

RCTA have £600 that could be donated to charity or good cause. We have given you 2 options below. Please pick the option you prefer and if applicable, suggest your chosen charity/cause in the box provided.

RCTA will split the £600 equally between the 3 charities/causes that receive the most votes from members.

We have provided the following list to give you an idea, but the final choice is up to you. You may pick upto 3. Just type in the text box below your choice/s.

Canal & River Trust – Inland Waterways Association – Buckingham Canal Society – Hazel the therapy boat – Waterways Experiences – www.wexp.org.uk
Lichfield & Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust – Mikron Theatre – The Idle Women Tour

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- Your Vote on 7.5a * No Donation to Charity in 2018
 Equal share to be donated to top 3 charities/causes voted for.
 Abstention

My chosen recipient is/are: (Maximum of 3)

Please select a maximum of 3

Each vote was then placed in a voting box and the results of the vote are as follows:

List of charities prozed in order of popularity

1. CRT
2. Lichfield & Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust
3. Waterways Experience
4. Idle Women www.canalboatadventureproject.org
5. Buckingham Canal Society
6. Mikron Theatre Company
7. Waterways Chaplaincy
8. Wilts & Berks Canal Trust
9. Chesterfield Canal Trust

Therefore:

7.5a - Proposal to Donate to Charity. Carried, Equal Share of £600 to be divided between:

1. Canal & River Trust
2. Lichfield & Hatherton Canal Restoration Trust
3. Waterways Experience

We shall be organising presentations of the £200 cheques to the winning charities at our Christmas Floating Markets.

7.5b - It was agreed that this proposal needs looking into much further, Andrew Mills asked if Jacqueline & Mick Warren would withdraw the proposal pending further investigations, this could then be looked into and dealt with at an SGM meeting. It would be unnecessary to wait for the next AGM.

Proposal withdrawn for further discussion and added to matters arising

7.6 - Proposal from Julie Tonkin: approval to schedule the next RCTA AGM to March 2020 and to then revert to the 12 to 15month periodicity as outlined in the Constitution - Carried

7.7 - Proposal to Re Write the constitution relating to trustees and the committee - Carried

If you have any questions regarding the AGM Minutes or information held within, please email us at: canaltraders@outlook.com and we will be happy to clarify.

Kind Regards

Ronni Payne

Newly Elected Chair :0)