

## DORSET GROUP Boundless by CSMA

Minutes of the 53rd Annual General Meeting held at The Dorford Centre, Dorchester

on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022 7:30pm

The meeting was opened by the chairman (George Walker)

**Present** Mr and Mrs G Walker, Mr and Mrs D Lazenby Mr and Mrs R Gilbert, , Ms C Hillier Mr and Mrs M Sharpe, Ms S Thornett, Mrs M Dickerson Mr D Morris

**Apologies** Mr and Mrs P Brinson, Ms S Chevis Mr and Mrs J Cull, Mr and Mrs S Bridle

**Minutes** of the 52nd Annual General Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021 were corrected for typographical errors , then agreed and signed

**Matters Arising** None

**Chairman's Report** The Chairman thanked every one for attending and asked that everyone join him in wishing Queen Elizabeth a very happy 96<sup>th</sup> birthday. He said that despite Covid , we had had a good year thanks to efforts of fellow committee members. The chairman said that he had been looking at the Gaff Cutter 'Moonfleet' for a special trip next year

**Treasurer's Report** . Unfortunately the treasurer had had to give apologies as both he and his wife were isolating having tested positive for covid. He had e-mailed The Annual Statement of Accounts and report to the secretary. The Annual Statement of Accounts was circulated and the secretary read out the report Treasurers Report 2021 - 2022

"It can be clearly seen that we have been able to considerably increase our activity as a Club, providing many club nights and a Christmas Dinner. These activities have been provided following all conditions that were relative at the time, as suggested by Government, Boundless HQ and also by the venues themselves. There was a small addition to the Charity fund of £15, the result of a raffle at the Christmas Dinner. You will see we currently have £129.61, in that fund.

If there are any questions that cannot be addressed tonight on these accounts, I will contact anyone personally as soon as is possible. As said before, our accounts are submitted quarterly for inspection at HQ, and there has been no queries, by them during the last 12 months. "

There were no questions and it was proposed that the Accounts were to be accepted by Clare Hillier, seconded by Martin Sharpe and agreed by all.

**Secretary's Report** The last AGM was in September 2021 so consequently this report should and will be brief.

We have managed events since September, thanks to your support over the past months. A new venture was experimented with and in January and February we changed our meeting times to the afternoon. These talks were relatively well attended and we will be discussing a little later as to whether to continue or even extend. Some enjoyed meeting up with fellow members for lunch prior to these talks.

The Boundless club have been active this past year and now the Boundless membership includes free entry to Kew and Wakefield Gardens , Wildfowl and Wetland Trust sites, a Kids pass membership and Dine membership. There was also what we considered a marvellous scheme announced whereby Boundless would obtain Historic houses annual membership tickets which could be used by groups during the year, We were all very excited and arranged a trial run to Athelhampton House. Unfortunately historic Houses changed their policy but as we had already advertised the Athelhampton visit , Boundless are honouring the free entry for our trip so this will be be first and the last opportunity for free entry,

We look forward to 2023 which is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of CSMA. We are hoping that we will be able to celebrate with a special event – watch this space!

In conclusion I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their support and gently pointing out typing errors in the minutes. I would also like to thank the Dorford Centre, particularly as we worked to meet as Covid safely as possibly, following government and Boundless guidance.

**Evening/Afternoon event changes** A brief discussion followed when it was decided to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month . Members would prefer afternoon for Nov/Jan/Feb

**Election of Officers** The chairman, secretary, treasurer and current committee member were all willing to stand again and there were no challengers and therefore proposed by Martin Sharp and seconded by David Morris to re-elect. All agreed

Chairman George Walker

Secretary Anne Gilbert

Treasurer Phill Brinson

Committee member Raymond Gilbert

**A.O.B** The Chairmans Cup was awarded to the secretary this year for service in keeping everything going during the past year

**Date of next A.G.M** April 2023