

# Oral Surgery Club of Great Britain

## Annual General Meeting

Worsley Park Marriott Hotel

7th November 2019 @ 5.00pm

### Minutes

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from 16 members

#### 2. New members attending

The President welcomed new members Peyman Alam, Hazel Busby-Earle, Panos Kyzas, Satheesh Prabhu, Mo Shorafa and Ajay Wilson to their first meeting.

#### 3. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the last AGM were agreed as a true record.

#### 4. Matters arising

There were no matters arising

#### 5. Committee report

##### Deaths of members

It was announced that Harry Alty, Peter Banks, Eric Morgan and Laurence Oldham had died.

Tributes were made by John Cawood, Andy Brown, Adrian Sugar and Andrew Sadler respectively and summaries are appended to this report. A minutes silence was observed.

Retirements; Maire Morton, Peter Revington

Resignations; Keith Altman

Attendance; Ian Downie who hasn't attended a meeting for several years was recommended for informing that his membership had lapsed. Several other members were recommended for reminding of the Club attendance rules.

New members; The following names were recommended by the committee and approved by members for an invitation to join the Club;

Mike Essen, Exeter, proposed by Alex Babajews  
Geoff Chiu, Blackburn, proposed by Bob Woodward  
Leo Vassiliou, Manchester, proposed by Andrew Baldwin

Honorary Members Representative; Mick Gilhooly has agreed to replace David Patton.

Archives; Funding for converting a collection of Club archive tapes and cassettes, held by the Club Archivist, Andrew Sadler, into digital format had been agreed.

#### 6. Honorary Secretary's report

Members were reminded when making arrangements to attend meetings to inform the Honorary Secretary, who would send an acknowledgement email, to assist in ensuring correct numbers for Club commitments.

Recommendations for new members were welcome, especially for younger consultant colleagues to join the Club. Recommendations accompanied by email contact details were appreciated.

As always, the Club website is the prime source of the latest information and records of previous meetings

#### 7. Honorary Treasurer's Report

The Club accounts were presented, distributed and discussed, the Clubs finances being in a healthy state currently. These were inspected and their acceptance proposed by Mick Gilhooly and seconded by Mike Davidson.

The establishment of online banking with a single signatory was welcomed by the Honorary Treasurer for the ease of managing the Clubs finances.

#### 8. Honorary Members Report

There were no matters to report

## 9. Committee 2019/20

The President elect for 2020/21 is Ken Sneddon.

Therefore, the Committee for 2019/20 is; Andrew Baldwin, President; Jon Hayter, Hon Secretary; Andy Brown, Hon Secretary; Mick Gilhooly, Hon Members rep; Andrew Sadler, Archivist; Ken Sneddon, President elect; Phil Earl, immediate past President; Parkash Ramchandani and Neil Mackenzie.

## 10. Inauguration of new President

Outgoing President Phil Earl presented the Semmelweis Medal to Andrew Baldwin and he was inaugurated as the new President for 2019/20.

## 11. Future meetings

Andrew Baldwin confirmed that his overseas meeting would be in Jackson, Florida on 29<sup>th</sup> April – 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020.

Ken Sneddon outlined plans for his home meeting in Kent in early November 2020. His overseas meeting is planned to be in Helsinki in the spring with the dates to be confirmed.

## 12. Any other business

There was no other business.

## 13. Date of next meeting

The next AGM date will be confirmed and posted on the Club website when available.

## **Summary of Tributes**

### **Harry Alty**

John Cawood depicted 'HMA' as a modest, unflappable and caring gentleman, secure within himself who resolved many a conflict with tact and diplomacy. In 1963, he was appointed Consultant Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon to hospitals in Liverpool, Chester and the Isle of Man. He was elected to significant national and local appointments and was a past President of the Club. After retirement, Harry played an active public role in institutions and causes which were important to him including Bishop Martin School, Liverpool College and the Mersey branch of the Red Cross.

### **Peter Banks**

Andy Brown described Peter as an 'enfant terrible' for whom life was a rollercoaster ride for everyone around him. He was highly intelligent, a surgical innovator and great fun as a colleague. He was unpredictable and exciting, in equal measure, and capable of great generosity. Overall his brilliant moments greatly outweighed his other attributes. He held many prestigious appointments and was a great supporter of the Club.

### **Eric Morgan**

Adrian Sugar gave an account of Eric, who obtained his BDS in Bristol in 1946, and followed an Oral Surgery training around the UK before returning to Swansea to set up a new Maxillofacial Unit. He was a past President of the Club, hosting meetings in Swansea and Utrecht in 1981/2. In retirement he completed a PhD in History to keep his mind active!

### **Laurence Oldham**

Andrew Sadler recalled the life of Laurence, a headmaster's son whose poor behaviour led to him being sent to boarding school. After qualifying from Birmingham Dental School, he specialised in Oral Surgery gaining Rotary sponsorship for a lecture tour of America and Government funding for a placement in Uganda to extend his experience. After the rise of Idi Amin, he returned to the UK and was appointed Consultant Dental Surgeon in Taunton. He retired early and was active in lecturing, as a school governor and playing the piano in his local pub.