

Oral Surgery Club of Great Britain

Annual General Meeting

Manchester

14th November 2025

Minutes

1. Apologies

8 apologies

2. New members attending

Elizabeth Yeung and Colin Johnstone were welcomed as new members attending their first Club meeting.

3. Minutes of last meeting

Accepted as true record

4. Matters arising

Following the Honorary Treasurers proposal last year, this was the first year of a three-year trial of holding the AGM at the start of the scientific meeting. This saves the cost of hiring a room on the previous day, the savings being available as a subsidy to elements of the meeting.

In addition, your activist Treasurer had implemented a policy of a £50 subscription for prompt payers and those who paid by standing order, with a raised subscription of £70 for tardy payers. Members were encouraged to set up a standing order, payable by mid-august to ensure the lower rate.

5. Committee report

Deaths of members: It was sadly announced that Khursheed Moos had died earlier in the year. Brian Avery, his former Senior Registrar, and a long-term colleague gave an affectionate remembrance of Khursheed. A minute's silence was observed.

Retirements: none

Resignations: Neil Mackenzie and Dilip Srinivathan were noted to have resigned their Club membership. Five members who had not attended a meeting for several years were advised that their membership had lapsed.

Membership: Three new members had accepted their invitation to join the Club. The active membership of the Club is now 46 allowing scope for new member proposals.

Proposed new members: The following consultants were recommended by the committee and approved by members for an invitation to join the Club;

George Markose	Preston	Kapil Java
Aneesh Mohindra	Luton	Andrew Camillieri
Manjit Dhillon	Aberdeen	Geoff Chiu
Mary Coleman	Manchester	Ri Vicky Beale
Sajid Sainuddin	Manchester	Ri Vicky Beale

Jyrki Tornwall, our host in Helsinki, proposed by Malcolm Cameron for Honorary membership.

Website: The new website is still undergoing sea trials before replacing the existing website.

Archives: There had been good progress in determining the fate of the Club archives. Andrew Sadler had undertaken to gradually scan the six boxes of archives to accumulate a digital record. The BDA

archivist would then undertake to store the original paper archives. In addition, the BDA librarian would hold the digital archives and would make them available on-line, on request.

6. Honorary Secretary's report

In this connected world, it was interesting to see some members still unaware of information readily available on the Club website. The website is not just a record of past meetings but contains up to date information on coming events.

There had been excellent attendance at the Manchester meeting, and this was probably helped by the advance notice, information and booking facility that Geoff Chiu had provided on the website. An example to us all.

The continued receipt of proposals of young consultants for membership of the Club was welcome. This was creating a vigorous Club with a good distribution of age and geography.

7. Honorary Treasurer's Report

This was delivered by Stuart Hislop, on behalf of Mick Gilhooly. The details were in the handout, but the big picture was the Cambridge meeting involved £16.6K expenditure and the Helsinki meeting required £6.7 K expenditure. Very generous sponsorship was received for both meetings and the overall balance for the Club current account remained at about £18K, year to year.

It was noted that the original Club subscription one guinea in 1937 was the equivalent of £73 in 2025, demonstrating the current excellent value of members subscription.

8. Honorary Members Report

Conor Bowe, our host in Dublin, had accepted an invitation to become an honorary member.

9. Inauguration of new President

The outgoing President, Malcolm Cameron, presented the Semmelweis Medal to Geoff Chiu who was inaugurated as the new President for 2025/26.

10. Committee 2025/26

The President-elect for 2026/27 is Rob Bentley.

Therefore, the committee for 2025/26 is:

President – Geoff Chiu

Honorary Secretary – Jon Hayter

Honorary Treasurer – Mick Gilhooly

Honorary Members Representative – Stuart Hislop

Archivist – Andrew Sadler

President Elect – Rob Bentley

Immediate past president – Malcolm Cameron

Representative - Manolis Heliotis

Representative - vacant

Any member willing to be a members representative on the committee would be welcome.

11. Future meetings

The dates for the Spring Meeting in Budapest were confirmed as 14-15th May 2026.

The next home meeting would be in London on 20th November 2026.

The following Spring meeting was planned for Hanover in June 2027.

12. Any other business

Diane Martin passed on her appreciation of invitations to attend Club meetings.

13. Date of next meeting

20th November 2026