

# **Bunbury Unlimited Mountaineers AGM**

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**AGM held in the Dysart on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

**Present:** Jim Grant, Jeff Ewin, Debbie Sargent, Mike Arrowsmith, Lesley Arrowsmith, Selina Willis, Mike Willis, Richard Calder, Della Calder, Tony Quinn, Neil Bodfish, Ann Bodfish, Colin Christie

**Apologies:** Chrissie Latter, Chris Latter, John Foster, Heather Foster, Rob Sinnott, Amanda Christie, Dave Franklin, Ali Franklin, Ian Langford, Gerry O'Neill, Dave Cadman, Jim Walker, Jean Walker, Bob Harris, Caryle Sinnott, Jo McKinlay, Frank McHale, Sue Lancaster, Mark Hallett, Lynn Quinn, Cate Gregory, Sue Jones, Sarah Hammond, Andrea Percival, Cathy Bunting, Chris Green, Jon Clauson, Tina Clauson, Ray Bunting, Phillip Ellis, Mike Hiscock, Steve Hammond, Lynda Wakefield, Mairi Harris

## **Chairman's Report**

I'd like to report another successful year for the club. Referring to the reports issued by our Treasurer and our Statto, all the indicators are positive. At the end of the year our number had grown to 50 from a starting point of 39. This is reflected in the attendance stats which show an increase of different participants from 34 to 37. The totals of walking numbers have held steady from 2018 and the actual number of attendees per walk for the 22 walks rose in 2019 to a record 10.2. The Friday walks continue to be the most popular but with our policy of making them less difficult in both travelling time and easier terrain, the club is offering something for everyone.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to lead walks during the year. Thanks also to those who offered to drive and to the

photographers. Our superb web site has all the trip reports and photos to remind us of great days out and also advertises us to potential recruits. The photos are also used as the source material for our excellent calendar for which thanks to Jeff and Lesley for organising.

Our increased membership has naturally had a positive effect on our finances. and I am pleased to see that the Treasurer is not proposing any drastic changes to our financial blueprint for the forthcoming year.

The walking seems to be getting wetter and bogger by the year. It could be global warming or just in my imagination, but nevertheless we still achieved 23 walks during the year and as usual there were a number of extracurricular activities organised in addition to the regular outings. The Dales Way, The Pembrokeshire Coast path and The Slovakian Mountains were all tackled by various members of the Club.

The usual social events were very well attended. Many thanks to Ann and Neil for hosting the Summer BBQ and for laying on the great weather. Our Christmas bash at The Dysart enjoyed a record attendance as did the BBQ. Our social activities are increasing in popularity at an even faster rate than the walking!

Finally, I would like to formally thank all of our members who have done so much to keep the club running smoothly this year:

Secretary - Jim

Treasurer - Jeff

Social Secretary - Lesley

Statto - Steve

Mike A.

## Treasurers Report

- The Club bank account balance is £505.04 as at 3rd January 2020. A cheque yet to clear at the time of writing was for the Chairman's gifts at the Xmas dinner, comprising £36.95. Also, unusually a number of 2020 subscriptions have been paid in advance (£90) and taking both these into account the comparative year-end balance is £378.09, compared to £336.82 last year. Thus, just over £41 has effectively been added to balances this year. This could increase if remaining calendars are sold.
- We started the year with 39 members renewing, there were three resignations; Hugh Anstee and Mari Buckman, and Tess Pike. New joiners during the year are Sue Jones, Andrea Percival, Cathy and Ray Bunting and Philip Ellis. Joining right at year end were also Jacquie and Dave French. Re-joining during the year were Joe and Tina Clauson, Chris Green and Richard Calder. So, we start the year 2020 with potentially 50 members, a significant increase on previous years. Total membership income for the year 2019 was £490. Potential income for 2020 is £510 barring resignations, of which £90 has already been received.
- *Other income comprised surplus from sales of the 2019 Calendar, of £8.56. (19 of the 25 2020 edition calendars have been sold, thus potential loss is up to £32.46 if no further copies are sold).*
- Expenditure for the year included a contribution of £150 made to North East Wales Search and Rescue Charity. In addition, the summer BBQ expenses totalled £255.88 (Members will recall that donations of £5 were requested to this year's BBQ due to the increasing cost of hosting it and these totalled £178 giving a net cost of the BBQ of £77.88, compared to £217 in 2018). Also, £160 for wine for the Christmas dinner (this amount was a decision made at BUMS meeting of 25th November 2019, based on the record number of bookings (48), the improved financial situation arising from increased

membership income, and the contributions received towards the BBQ). Finally expenses of £36.95 were also incurred for the Chairman's gifts presented at the Xmas dinner.

- Last year the club agreed a policy of maintaining a balance of around £300 as reserves, and the accounts show a figure of £378.09 at the end of the year.
- With the increased membership numbers, income of at least £450 can be expected in 2020. A suggested budget for 2020 is to make a charitable donation increased to £180, recipient to be decided at this AGM, to allow a repeat of the Christmas wine at £150, and £40 for Chairman's gifts, this would leave about £100 to pay for the BBQ, i.e. spend of £470.
- Under this proposal there would be no need to increase subscriptions but BBQ expenses will continue to need to be controlled and offset by donations on the day.

### **Recommendations**

1. New subscriptions are kept at £20 and renewals at £10,
2. A target for Club reserves of £300 is maintained,
3. Budgeted spend of £180 charitable donation, £150 for wine at the Christmas do, £100 for the summer BBQ, and £40 for Chairman's gifts be agreed.

**These were all approved by the meeting**

<b>BUNBURY UNLIMITED MOUNTAINEERS</b>		<b>AGM 20th January 2020</b>				
<b>ACCOUNTS 2019</b>						
		£	£	£		£
<b>Balance B/Fwd</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>336.82</b>				
<b>RECEIPTS</b>					<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
<b>New Members Subs:</b>					Donation NEWSAR	150.00
Sue Jones;Andrea Percival; Ray Bunting; Cathy Bunting		60.00			BBQ Expenses	255.88
<b>Renewed Subs:</b>		430.00			Xmas Wine	160.00
BBQ Donations		178.00			Chairman's Gifts at Xmas dinner	36.95
Calendar Sales (2020 edition)		190.00			Calendar Production	222.46
Calendar Profits (2019 edition)		8.56				
			<b>B</b>	<b>866.56</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>825.29</b>
<b>Balance Carried Fwd</b>			<b>A+B-C</b>	<b>378.09</b>		
<b>Bank Rec</b>	03/01/2020	balance		505.04		
<b>less unrepresented cheques</b>						
		Chairman's gifts		36.95		
<b>less prepaid subs for 2020</b>						
Quinns (20); Andrea Percival(10);Ray Bunting (10); Cathy Bunting (10); Philip Ellis (10); D French (10); J French (20)				90.00		
<b>Balance per accounts C/Fwd</b>				<b>378.09</b>		

**Jeff Ewin, Treasurer, 3/1/2020**

**Statto's Report**



## **Member's Resolutions**

**None were raised ahead of the meeting**

## **Election for the Club Officials**

Chairperson: Mike Arrowsmith was re-elected

Secretary: Jim Grant was re-elected

Treasurer: Jeff Ewin was re-elected

Social Secretary: Lesley Arrowsmith was re-elected

Statto: Steve was re-elected

## **Charitable Donation 2020**

We have agreed a donation this year of £180. Much discussion about whom to award it to. We agreed that ideas would be e-mailed to the Secretary and the decision would be made at next month's meeting.

**Action: All to email ideas to Jim G**

## **Members Subs 2020**

As per the Treasurer's proposal, the subs would remain at £20 for new Members, £10 for renewals

John Hirst has resigned and will not be re-joining

**Action: All to cough up to the Treasurer ASAP**

## **AOB**

### **Summer Barbecue**

The Quinn's have kindly agreed to host. We also agreed that we would continue with a £5pp charge