

LVO AGM 2011

Castleward Estate
Saturday 26 February 2011 @ 3pm

Attendees

Approximately 22 adults and 6 juniors.

Wilson welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. He also asked for any feedback and comments to be provided using the post-it notes provided.

Apologies

Violet Linton, Kenny Weir, Bill Simpson, Michael Murphy, Greg McCann, Denise O'Hagan

Adoption of 2010 AGM Minutes

The 2010 minutes were not available for circulation, and so were unable to be adopted at the meeting.

Chairman's Report

Wilson McAlister presented the chairman's report (see attached).

Treasurer's Report

Harry Bell presented the treasurer's report for the 2009 club accounts (see attached). Philip Baxter proposed the adoption of the accounts, and this was seconded by Harold White. The motion was carried by a show of hands.

Junior Section Report

Wilson McAlister read out the junior section report on behalf of Greg McCann who was unable to attend (see attached).

Competition Secretary Report (including JK 2011)

Harold White presented the competition secretary report for 2010. Harold also included a presentation on how preparations were progressing for JK 2011. Harold invited all offers for assistance and help from those in attendance. Gordon Stephens also promoted the availability of JK branded hoodies via the JK website at £19.95.

Presentation of Colour Awards

Harry Bell read out the names of those who had achieved colour standard awards for the first time in 2010 and Wilson McAlister presented badges to the following who were in attendance at the AGM:

Green: Josh Gilmore; Joe McClure; Frazer Howe; Jill Stephens

Light Green: Eithne Murphy (collected by Pauline O'Hara)

Orange: Peter Howe; Eoghan Knight; Seainin McBrien (collected by Olivia Baxter)

Yellow: Luke Collins

Voting of Steve McGibbon Trophy

Wilson McAlister reminded us that the trophy was currently held by Helen and Philip Baxter. This is the club's most prestigious award and is presented annually at the AGM. This trophy is not confined to competition performance, rather this award is considered as recognition of the person or group thought to have provided the most outstanding contribution to the club's affairs in the previous year.

Wilson read out the three nominations received this year:

1. Harold White for all his efforts in co-ordinating JK 2011
2. Alan Gartside for his tireless efforts in printing all the club competition maps and promoting trail-o
3. Gordon and Marlene Stephens for efforts to secure the club trailer and organising the club social weekend in Tollymore

After voting and the election of the new committee, Wilson presented the trophy to Gordon and Marlene Stephens. Gordon thanked everyone for their nomination and voting, and also recognised and thanked all the others in the club who put in huge amounts of volunteer effort.

Election of Committee

The chair was temporarily taken by Alan Gartside when Wilson stood down to allow the election of the 2011 committee. Alan thanked Wilson for all his efforts and also encouraged all club members to volunteer and become more involved in general club activities. Alan also took the opportunity to seek volunteers to help marshal controls at the JK 2011 Trail O competition.

Alan then indicated that Greg McCann intended stepping down from the committee. All other committee members had indicated a willingness to remain on the committee. Philip Baxter proposed the re-election of the current committee. This was seconded by Stephen Knight and accepted by a show of hands.

Gavin Cairns proposed Wilson McAlister for Chairman in 2011. This was seconded by Richard McCourt and carried by a show of hands.

There were no proposals for the post of club secretary, and this was passed back to the committee to seek a volunteer.

Philip Baxter proposed Harry Bell for the club Treasurer in 2011. This was seconded by Declan McGrellis and carried by a show of hands.

Proposal 1 – Discounted rates for online pre-entry

Declan McGrellis made a presentation to the AGM seeking approval to offer discounted entry rates to pre-entered competitors at club events. This was to assist in estimating numbers of maps to print, and thus reduce costs and wastage. Declan proposed to co-ordinate an online entry system for club events in the coming year as a trial of the idea. After debating, the members agreed that this could be trialled at the WEE Series and Autumn Trophy events in 2011. It was also felt that the current entry fees should be offered for online entry, and a premium added for on-the-day entry. This was to ensure that overall club income was not reduced. The committee were tasked with ratifying the fine detail of the proposal.

Proposal 2 – Move to a volunteer rota for members

Wilson McAlister tabled a motion to organise a volunteer rota system for all club members. This would be similar to a bar rota scheme used in many rugby clubs. The volunteers duties would include on-the-day activities such as registration, start official, control collection. Richard McCourt seconded this motion and it was carried by a show of hands.

Any Other Business

Helen Baxter used the opportunity to seek volunteers to help stage the WEE Series events in 2011.

The meeting was then closed by Wilson McAlister who thanked everyone for attending.

Minutes recorded by Declan McGrellis