

## **IRRV EAST ANGLIA ASSOCIATION AGM**

Date:	25 June 2021		
Venue:	Via Teams		
Present: :	Adrian Mills	Sean Knight	Paul Corney
	Jo Stanton	Simon Quilter	Stuart Brabben
	Julie Gowling	Kevin Jay	Tanya Bandekar
	Sue Gray	Julie Dean	

Item		Action
1	Apologies:	
	Apologies were received from Rob Jackson. Also absent from the meeting were: Sonia Foster Laura Leicester Lesley Walker	
2	Minutes of the previous AGM:	
	The minutes of the AGM held on 3 July 2020 were agreed.	
3	Chairman's Address: Adrian Mills	
	Adrian gave the following Chairman's address:	
	'Welcome everybody to our second but hopefully our last virtual IRRV East Anglian association annual general meeting and I'd like to extend a special welcome to the national President and Chief Executive, thank you for giving up your time to attend and speak at our AGM.	
	It has been a real privilege for me to represent the East Anglian Association as Chairman, somewhat uniquely for two years, not by design but due to the Covid restrictions - It has been a period unlike any other.	
	We haven't been able to run our usual seminars to educate our members nor to generate income - although our accounts have not been impacted and remain healthy. Nor were we able to run a quiz and social event last Autumn - hopefully normal service will return this year with a schedule of seminars the Executive have planned for later this year as well as our usual autumn quiz social event and hopefully we can all get together for a proper AGM at a suitable venue next year.	
	Thanks to Dukes Bailiffs for sponsoring the event that follows this AGM.	
	Thanks to everybody in the association, and the Executive for their support, Jo for all the work she does behind the scenes as our Secretary and Webmaster, not just around organising the Executive but in liaising with national IRRV– the glue that holds everything together and thanks to the Treasure and Auditor for their work on the accounts.	
	Thank you'	

## 4 Election of Officers: All

The following Officers were elected. One change was agreed – Paul Corney has stepped down as Assistant Treasurer and is replaced by Julie Gowling. Rob Jackson has been elected as a new Executive Member.

The following nominations were made and seconded in bulk:

Name	Role
Adrian Mills	Chairman
Stuart Brabben	Vice Chair
Sean Knight	Immediate Past Chair
Julie Dean	Treasurer
Julie Gowling	Assistant Treasurer
Jo Stanton	Secretary and Webmaster
Sonia Foster	Education Liaison
Simon Quilter	Auditor
Laura Leicester	Exec Member
Lesley Walker	Exec Member
Tanya Bandekar	Exec Member
Paul Corney	Exec Member
Sue Gray	Exec Member
Kevin Jay	Exec Member
Rob Jackson	Exec Member

## 5 Secretary's Report: Jo Stanton

Jo gave the following address as Secretary:

'I always start my reports by looking back to what I wrote last time. My opening remarks in 2020 were 'Thank you to everyone for attending this virtual meeting. It is strange to think that this time last year we were in a wonderful sunny rose garden and enjoying the buffet, and that we should now be at the horse racing. Hopefully normality will return next year'.

Who would have predicted that, nearly a year later we are still meeting in the virtual world, although it may be for the best for our Murder Mystery event! I am not going to tempt fate by hoping things are back to normal next year.

I am pleased to confirm that we were able to run our first online seminar in March 2021 for Breathing Space, presented by Julie Smethurst from Dukes. 22 people registered for the event which was well received. We are planning further seminars in September and December.

Membership details have been kept up to date during the year. We have 122 members in the area. There is also a list of 27 non-members who have asked to receive emails regarding the association events.

Our website is kept up to date with all our news, education and training events and meetings, and the Officer list will be updated after the meeting. If you would like your photograph included please send it over to me.

	Finally I would like to thank the Executive for their support and for responding to emails and for supporting me in my role. At this point I am either saying goodbye after five years as secretary, or preparing for year six!	
	I hope you enjoy the virtual event we have planned for after the AGM. I have never participated in anything like this before so I am looking forward to seeing how it works. Thank you to Dukes for sponsoring the event for us.	
	Once again, thank you everyone'	
6	Education and Training Report: Sonia Foster	
	The Education report was unavailable for the meeting	
7	Treasurer's Report: Julie Dean	
	Julie reported it has been a quiet year due to the lack of training events and seminars, however the bank balance is looking healthy with only one small transaction. Julie thanked Dukes for their sponsorship of the event.	
	The accounts were agreed.	
8 & 9	Addresses by the President and Chief Executive of the IRRV	
3	Andrew Hetherington and David Magor gave updates from the IRRV on all aspects of revenues, benefits and valuation. The slides will be available on the Association webpages.	
10	Any Other Business	
	There was none	
11	Meeting Close	
	The meeting closed at 11:45am	