

**Minutes of the GVHA Annual General Meeting  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September, 7pm**

**Apologies:** There were apologies from Charlie Barnard, Diana Kimpton and Mike Peskett.

**Present:** Carolyn Sibley, Wendy Peskett, Paul Rock, Alan Jacobs, Carly Dawkins, Liz Downer, Emma Glasbey, Marie Bugden, Sylvia

Matters Arising

1. Present/Apologies  
There were apologies from Charlie Barnard, Diana Kimpton and Mike Peskett.

2. Nominations to the  
Association  
There followed a brief introduction of member of the Association. There were 11 existing nominations and no new nominations. Carolyn Sibley (CS) thanked Diana kimpton for her help with the GVHA website.

3. Presentation of  
Accounts  
The Treasurer gave her copy of accounts from 6.8.07 to 31.8.08, everybody present had a copy. The Association had done extremely well this year, with refurbishments, grants and donations. The income had adequately covered the running costs of the hall. Hirings are currently at £8 per hour, with Monday and Tuesday mornings being the only free slots at present. Friday evenings were kept free to host local events. Fundraising had been successful with coffee mornings and the donations table in particular. The table had raised £230 in the last year alone.

Donations included £7000 from the WI, £1000 from Gurnard Community Hall Group, two payments of £4000 from Gurnard Parish Council and £600 from the sale of the old wooden chairs. The new black chairs had been purchased by Gurnard Bay WI.

Expenditures included a £50 donation to the Earl Mountbatten Hospice in fond memory of our late Chairman Bob White. A new exterior noticeboard, A-frame blackboard and brass plaque were other purchases. Utility rates are expected to increase in line with the current price hike in fuel. Insurance stands at £7000 pa, plus other costs such as cleaning, electrical inspections and grass cutting. The £10,382.76 refurbishment costs were broken down on the reverse and had so far come in way under budget.

4. Auditors Report  
Accounts were audited and signed by Mike Coles. There were no objections to Mr Coles auditing accounts for 2008-09 . CS thanked Treasurer.

5. Balance Sheet  
September 2008

6. Report from Vice  
Chair

CS gave her report for 2007-08, everybody present had a copy. Bob White had put in place many of the plans for GVH, CS had carried forward this work. The Gas heaters will eventually need replacing, however at this time it would prove too costly so they were maintained. The addition of a lamppost for outside lighting was a donation from ? Sibley. Mr Parker, owner of the lane is to do some maintenance work to upgrade the lane. The Association have plans to expand parking facilities at the side of the hall. Earlier this year GVHA was granted charitable status and will apply for full charitable status before the end of this year. Charlie Barnard is working on producing some Gift Aid envelopes for a local mail drop to second home owners in the area. The website is maintained by Diana Kimpton and is progressing well, a copy of the Constitution can be found here. Ray Harrington-Vail inspected the hall and made suggestions re. Eco-friendliness/energy saving ideas. Notices had been placed around the hall to remind hall users to switch off lights, remove rubbish etc. In it's first year the Association had sadly lost it's Chairman, Bob White and had received resignations from Joan Hall and Richard Day (Secretary). There is currently a vacancy for the position of Secretary. The may Queen Event had been a success and would hopefully run again next year. The building/maintenance work was a major improvement and where possible local trades people had been used (Mr Sprake – kitchen and Mr Cobb - electrics). Andy Cole for drainage works, Coastline provided doubleglazing, Ace Flooring. Special thanks was given to Emma Glasbey and Gurnard in Bloom for providing the beautiful planters and Alan Jacobs for the donation of bookcases and cupboards. Thank you to Cowes Art Group for donating and fitting the new sign. A window cleaner was employed. Future plans for the hall include repainting the interior, renewing the curtains and kitchen blinds, continuing stripping and varnishing the stage flooring, installing internet access, purchasing 30 folding chairs for outdoor functions, additional car parking and renewing the disabled toilet flush. Lee Sowerby was recommended as a reliable plumber. A new vacuum cleaner was purchased for cleaners Mr & Mrs Weeks. A reliable gardener is required for grass-cutting, hedge-trimming etc. The Donation Table had proved to be most successful. Ideas for fundraising were welcomed. Questions from the floor included why were teenage parties no longer permitted at the hall. CS explained that this was due to the excessive damage caused at one such party and that children's parties were still allowed up to the age of 10. WP mentioned that Northwood WI adopt a similar policy. The introduction of a refundable deposit was an idea put forward.

7. Election of Members  
to the Association/Resignations

A show of hands to elect members revealed 9 for. Nominee Elaine Butler is to replace Richard Day.

8. Election and  
Clarification of the Constitution

The election of officers will take place internally at the next Association meeting.

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Thanks was given to CS for all her hard work this year.

The date for the next AGM was set for Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2009. The date of the next Association meeting was set for Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October.

Meeting closed at 20:00 hrs.