

# I.W.F.S.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF IWFS EUROPE AFRICA LTD

Held on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2022

At The Grand Hotel, Seafront, Torquay, Devon TQ2 6NT at 10am.

### ATTENDING

#### The DIRECTORS IWFS EUROPE AFRICA LTD

John Nicholas

Chairman

#### **Members Attending:**

Bath & Bristol

John Allday  
Leonie Allday  
Tim Instone  
Chris Griffin  
Tony Griffin

Berkshire

Christine Pringle  
Geoffrey Williams

Devonshire

Michael Barnes  
Robert Barnett  
Don Burfitt  
Linda Burfitt  
Beryl Durtnall  
Geeta Lloyd  
Gordon Lloyd  
Jean Macer  
David Redhead  
Phillip Redhead  
John Slater  
Sue Slater  
Lorna Smith  
Elizabeth Welch

Hereford and Monmouth

Peter McGahey  
Sue Smith

London

Beverley St John Aubin

Manchester

Derek Fletcher  
Tricia Fletcher

Merseyside & Mid Cheshire

Tim Hodges

St James's

Anne Valentine  
John Valentine

Surrey Hills

Pam Brunning  
Ceres Brunning (Guest)  
Kip Punch  
Susie Punch

Wessex

Isobel Sinclair  
Price Sinclair

Vale Royal

Ali Graham

Steve Graham

Zurich

Joan Nicholas  
(John Nicholas)  
Kurt Haering

**Apologies:** Lynne Baird, Ron Barker + Val Ramsay, Chris Bonsall, David +Jane Chapman, Hannu Eloranta, Richard Grieves, Phillip Kim + Sue Urkevich, Ian + Chris Nicol, Alan + Stephanie Shepherd and Jerry + Joanne Yeung.

**Voting by Proxy:** 5 members.

The Chairman welcomed members to the AGM of the IWFS Europe Africa Ltd.

The Chairman then introduced the EAZ Executive Committee:

Himself, John Nicholas, Chairman, Steven Graham Treasurer, Tricia Fletcher, Acting Secretary and Awards Chairman, Geeta Lloyd, Membership Secretary and AGM Organiser, Leonie Allday, Strategy and Marketing, Peter McGahey, Editor F&W and Tim Hodges Strategy and Marketing Team.

**1. The Reports of the Directors and Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2021**, were received, The Treasurer noted that the finances had suffered due to the effects of the Covid pandemic and that there was a deficit for the year. The discount offered to members due to the Covid disruption had caused this. However, as the Madeira and Cambridge festivals went ahead successfully, they helped to mitigate the deficit. He thanked Stephanie Shepherd for organising these Festivals. Overall, there was a positive balance and the Funds were in good order. The Motion to Accept the Reports of the Directors and Financial Statements was Proposed by Tim Hodges and Seconded by Isabel Sinclair. This was unanimously accepted.

**2 To affirm the appointment of the following persons to the Executive Committee:**

John Nicholas, David Chapman, Steve Graham, Geeta Lloyd, Tricia Fletcher, Ian Nicol, Leonie Allday, Tim Hodges and Hilton Kuck, and to affirm the appointment of Alan Shepherd who was co-opted in April 2022 as a member of the Executive Committee on the resignation of Stephanie Shepherd.

Affirmation of the persons to the Executive Committee was Proposed by Ali Graham and Seconded by Susie Punch. This was accepted unanimously.

On behalf of the members, the Chair expressed his gratitude to Stephanie for her services to IWFS in organising many regional festivals, including the acclaimed London Festival in 2018.

**3. AOB:**

**(i) To affirm the appointment Chris Langham as Independent Examiner for the financial year 2022:**

This was proposed by Ali Graham and seconded by Susie Punch. This was accepted unanimously.

**(ii) That the Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting IWFS Europe Africa Ltd were accepted.** This was Proposed by Steve Graham and Seconded by Derek Fletcher. This was accepted unanimously.

**(iii) Matters Arising from item (ii)** There were none.

**(iv). Date of next AGM.** The next AGM to be held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2023 in the New Forrest.

**(v)** Tim Instone thanked the members of Exco and all who had helped to organise the Torquay Event, AGM and Members Forum.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:15am

Tricia Fletcher – Acting Secretary IWFS EA Ltd

27<sup>th</sup> September 2022