



**The 20-Ghost Club Limited**  
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**MINUTES of the Ninth Annual General Meeting of The 20-Ghost Club Limited  
(incorporating the Sixty-Third Annual General Meeting of the 20-Ghost Club)  
held at Boodles Club, St James's Street, London SW1 on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2013**

**PRESENT**

HRH The Duke of Gloucester (President)  
Tim Forrest (Vice-President and Acting Chairman)  
Roland Duce (Director)  
John Redmill (Director)  
Nigel Hughes (Director)  
Strone Macpherson (Director)  
Nick Naismith (Director)  
Brian Palmer (Director)  
Graham Tyson (Director)  
Jimmy Valentine (Director)  
Tony Dyas (Company Secretary)

**INTRODUCTION**

The Acting Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that he was standing in for the Chairman, Sir John Stuttard, who was ill.

Tim Forrest welcomed His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester to his first meeting in his capacity as Honorary President.

John Redmill presented to His Royal Highness a presentation folder containing recent copies of The News & Record and Members List

**APOLOGIES**

Apologies had been received from the former President The Earl of Elgin Andrew Bruce and Victoria, the Chairman Sir John & Lady Stuttard, David Else, Brian & Wendy Fidler, Bernt Ehrnrooth (from Finland), Peter Golding, Michael Hilditch, The Hon Sir Michael Kadoorie (from Hong Kong), Barbara Mead, David Robson, Russell Rolls, Mark Tidy, John Townrow, Max Watson, Andrew Taylor and Nick Whittaker. Apologies had also been received from the new Chairman of the Australian Chapter, David Vann, who extended his best wishes from everyone in Australia.

Tim Forrest recorded, with sadness, the deaths in the last year of three very active members, Peter Phillips, Ian Scoggins and Roy Southward. Condolences have been sent by the Club to their families.

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

These had been circulated.

## **ANNUAL REPORT & ACCOUNTS**

The Annual Report for 2012 and the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 October 2012 were received. The adoption of the Report was proposed by Lenox Jamieson and seconded by Sue Taylor. The adoption of the Accounts was proposed by John Marsh and was seconded by Ashley Carmichael.

## **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The following directors were re-elected by the meeting, after being proposed by Clayton Banks and seconded by Kenneth Forbes

R. J. B. Duce  
B. H. Fidler  
T. J. Forrest  
N. H. Hughes  
P. S. S. Macpherson  
N. J. E. Naismith  
B. Palmer  
J. R. Redmill  
Sir John Stuttard  
G. B. M. Tyson  
F. A. B. Valentine

## **ELECTION OF TREASURER**

Brian Fidler was re-elected by the meeting as Treasurer, after being proposed by the Directors and seconded by Roland Duce.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Tim Forrest thanked all members of the Committee, individually, for their contribution to the Club's activities and also thanked those who had organised tours during 2012, also Tony Dyas, Brian Fidler and Susie Forrest and John Redmill who had arranged the AGM. Bernard Holmes wished to thank Sir John Stuttard on an excellent Nordic Baltic Tour Phillip Hall suggested members might like Folders into which they could put their copies of the News & Record. John Redmill agreed a format will be discussed by The Committee.

There being no other formal business, the formal meeting closed at 7.30pm and the Chairman proceeded to discuss the events programme.

## **EUROPEAN TOURS & EVENTS – 2013**

- Weekend Tour of the Malvern Hills and Herefordshire in April
- Annual Spring visit, at the end of April, to the Macphersons
- The Irish Georgian tour in Cumbria at the end of May
- "Get up and go" day's visit to Thurgarton Priory
- In June, a three week tour to re-enact the 1913 Austrian Alpenfahrt
- A day at the VSCC's Prescott Hill Climb
- Autumn Concours at Boughton House, the home of the Duke of Buccleugh
- Weekend in Buckinghamshire including a day at the Kop Hill Climb and Hughenden
- A weekend in Norfolk, with visits to Sandringham, Holkham Hall and the Muckleburgh Tank Museum

## **EUROPEAN TOURS & EVENTS – 2014**

- A weekend in Devon in the Spring
- A short tour of Western France in the Summer
- In August, a tour of the battlefields of Belgium and France commemorating the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War

## **SPEECH AFTER DINNER BY HRH THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER**

In his inaugural speech to the Club, HRH gave an informed and witty speech focusing on the special features of coachwork for Rolls-Royce, a subject about which he is most knowledgeable. This speech was exceptionally well received.

## **AWARD OF TROPHIES AFTER DINNER**

### **Mileage Trophies**

#### **Alpine - Highest Mileage by a car awarded to Fokko Keuning**

The Alpine Trophy was awarded to a newcomer to the Club. Fokko Keuning travelled over 8,000 miles in his Phantom II, including one day of 630 miles to participate in the Baltic Tour. Sadly, according to Club rules, the trophy may not leave the UK.

#### **Woodmansee - Highest Mileage by a Ghost awarded to Barbara Mead**

Barbara Mead travelled over 7,000 miles – most of it Down Under in her Silver Ghost.

#### **Small Horsepower - Highest Mileage awarded to David Else**

David Else travelled over 6,000 miles in his 20HP.

### **Other Trophies**

**The Harding Rolls Trophy**, originally won by Charles Rolls, was awarded to Graham Tyson for driving his newly restored 1920 Silver Ghost (chassis number 97AE), a tourer with a splendid Cunard body, all the way from Devon to Helsinki, without mishap.

**The Stanley Sears Trophy for Meritorious Service** was awarded to Sir John Stuttard for organising the tour of the Nordic and Baltic countries.

**The Fergusson Wood Photographic Award** was given to Elspeth Crossley Cooke for her photographs on the Nordic and Baltic tour.

**The Brian Wootton Trophy for Most Assistance Given on Tours** was awarded to Roy O'Sullivan for his work on the Nordic and Baltic tour.

**The Harry Watson Trophy for Engineering Accomplishment** was awarded to Tim Forrest for his technical contribution in terms of articles written for the Club's magazine.