

2018 AGM REPORT

The AGM was held on Saturday 17th November at the Norfolk Broads Yacht Club, there were 44 people in attendance.

Paul Rice opened the meeting thanking everyone for attending.

Paul Rice then read out apologies from members who were unable to attend the AGM.

The minutes of last year's AGM were accepted as were the reported from the Northern and Southern Rivers Committees and the Membership Report. The Society has gained eighteen new members over the year. Invitations to join the Broads Society were sent to all ninety-two parish councils within the Broads area and to date six of them have joined the Society.

Tony Slack, the Treasurer found the accounts from the past year to be in good order and proposed that they were accepted.

Paul Rice was re-elected as Chairman, Keith Bacon as Vice-Chairman and Tony Slack as Honorary Treasurer. The Committee will comprise of Diana Cornell, Colin Dye, Anne Filgate, Mike Filgate, Mike Jenner, Pat Simpson. Jill Wickens is a member of the Committee as editor of Harnser and Peter Smith is responsible for publicity.

The independent examiners remain the same as in the previous year.

Broadsword will be carrying out work to Johnny Crowe Staithe in Catfield and it is hoped they will create new moorings.

The Broads Society hope to attend various events next year but members are needed to help with these events.

Robin Godber presented the Lady Mayhew Trophy and a cheque for £250 to Simon Fishwick from the Barton Turf Adventure Centre. Mr Fishwick gave a short speech about the Centre.

Paul Rice then presented the Broads Society Trophy to Robin Godber in recognition of all that has done for the Society over a long period of time.

The 500 Club winner number, was drawn by Robin Godber.

Robin Godber gave a slideshow presentation entitled "The Norfolk Broads as seen through the eyes of Arthur Ransome" which was very interesting.

Paul Savage spoke about the Glover Review, saying that members should look at it on the Government website and respond if they could. This is an independent review of National Parks.

Peter Howe then also spoke about the Glover Review saying that Julian Glover had been asked to carry out a review of protected landscapes, the Glover Review addresses how access can be improved.

Peter Howe asked when the work at Hoveton Great Broads will be finished. Paul Rice said he would find out.

Keith Bacon explained that the Broads Forum has been abolished, there are now Broads Engage Workshops twice a year.