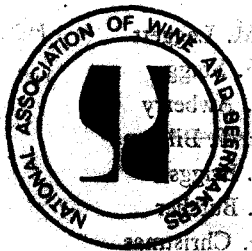


National Association of Wine and Beer-makers

COPY FOR AGENDA

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- Mr. J. Stagg
- Mr. D. B. Ives
- Mr. K. Hill
- Mr. B. Edwards
- Mr. G. Christian

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The following members have been nominated for the AGM:

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at the Birmingham Centre Hotel, New Street, Birmingham, on Saturday, 26th April, 1975, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

Members and Delegates attending this meeting are requested to apply for admission cards from 1.30 p.m. These admission cards will be issued at the N.A.W.B. table on production of either:

- (a) A current Membership Card in the case of Individual Members.
- or (b) A signed letter of identification from the Circle, Guild or Federation as appropriate. Admission cards will be exchanged for voting cards when Members and Delegates enter the hall.

Note: Constitution 4 (Youngs) states: "Each paid-up member is entitled to one vote on attendance at the General Meeting."

Unauthorised persons will not be admitted to the A.G.M.

ATTENDANCE 65th July.
17 CIRCUS
4 FRS.

AGENDA:

- 1. The meeting will be opened by the President of the Association, Mr. S. W. Andrews.
- 2. Apologies for absence. None
- 3. Minutes of the 1974 Annual General Meeting.
- 4. Matters arising.
- 5. Chairman's Report 1974-75.
- 6. Treasurer's Report 1974-75. 73-74 (Announced)
- 7. Election of members to the National Executive.
The following nominations have been received, duly proposed and seconded :

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| Mrs. M. Leggett | Mrs. H. SANDERSON |
| Mrs. F. Stagg | MR. A. B. SMITH |
| Mr. P. Asberry | MR. N. WILKINSON |
| Mr. K. ... | |
| Mr. A. Briggs | |
| Mr. R. Butcher | |
| Mr. G. Christmas | |
| Mr. B. Edwards | |
| Mr. K. Hill | |
| Mr. D. B. Ives | |
| Mr. L. Stagg | |

RECORDS
D. J.
H. R.
S. V.
F. B.

There are twelve vacancies to be filled.

In addition, Mrs. S. Hill has been nominated to represent the A.W.N.G.I.

The names of the nominees to represent:
(a) Member Federations
(b) Member Circles/Guilds/Associations
will be received, in writing, by the Secretary of the N.A.W.B. prior to the start of the A.G.M.

Where no such nominees are received for items (a) and (b) above, the Executive may nominate a person to fill the vacancy (Rule 8 (c)).

X 8. Resolutions presented to the Meeting

- 1. Amendments to Rules and Constitution.
 - a. Proposed that : This Association agrees that with effect from 1st July 1975 the Subscription be increased from £2.00 to £3.00

Reference—Para. 5, 'Subscription' sub-para. (b) of the Rules.

Arrangements - increase to £4.00. Submitted by P.A.

b. Proposed that : This Association agrees that with effect from 1st July, 1975 the closing date for Membership for any year be moved from 31st December of that year to 31st January of the following year.

By K.B.

Reference—Para. 5. 'Subscription' sub-para. (b) of the Rules.

c. Proposed that : Nominations for elected posts to be filled on the Executive shall be submitted in writing to reach the General Secretary together with the names of the Proposer and Seconder not later than 31st January in any year.

By B.I.

Reference—Para. 8. 'Constitution' [To be new sub-para] of the Rules.

By R.B.

60%
vote

(d) Minor revisions to be presented at the A.G.M.

Item 1(a) (b) (c) and (d) above are proposed by the Executive.

2. a. Proposed that : All past Committee members and all future Committee members—on their retirement—should be presented with a small memento for permanent retention. The form of the memento to be decided by the current committee. Proposed : Stan Baker, Ind. Member.

Against
By L.S.
Against
By L.S.

b. Proposed that : A Badge of Office be designed and struck for a Past President to wear at Nationals, Social occasions, Talks and other functions. Proposed Ken Bilham, Ind. Member.

POKE

(e) Nomination of President of the Association 1975-76.

Who's speak
by chair.

X 10. Other business, for discussion only : A suggestion that a part-time or full-time, paid General Secretary should be appointed, salary to be commensurate with the Membership.

By K.B.

11. Presentation of the Executive. Retirements of Miss S. Varley and Messrs. F. Bastin and P. Delmon. N. RICHIE.

12. The President will close the Meeting.

D. B. Ives
General Secretary N.A.W.B.

Having been the program and minutes and accounts were received by the meeting.

There being no other business on the agenda and only the minutes being read and approved the meeting had been closed.

The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m.

Minutes of the meeting to be signed by the President and Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

of the National Association of Amateur Winemakers held in the Concert
Hall, Margate, Kent on Sunday, 5th May, 1974

Mr. K. Hill in the Chair.

Representatives of 42 Circles and 162 Members were present.

Apologies were received from the Scottish Association of Winemakers.

Mr. S. W. Andrews, President of the Association, opened the meeting. In his opening remarks Mr. Andrews made comment on the progress that had been made in the winemaking movement since 1959, and he stressed the need for forward-looking and progressive thinking among all members at the present time.

Mr. P. J. Delmon, as Secretary of the Association, read the minutes of the 1973 Annual General Meeting. Mr. F. Forster asked that the figure printed incorrectly in the Treasurer's Report be amended to read £814.51p.

Proposed by Mr. C. W. Martin, Seconded by Mr. D. Ives, that these minutes as now amended be accepted. Carried unanimously

Chairman's Report: Mr. Hill added to his published report by making special comment on the following items:

- (1) The resignation of Mr. B. C. A. Turner from the Executive which had become necessary during the year.
- (2) The imminent retirement of Messrs. F. Forster and E. Plant.
- (3) The necessity to cancel the planned Beer Symposium through lack of interest in the event.
- (4) The increasing membership of the Association.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Forster presented the Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 30th June, 1973, which showed an excess of expenditure over income of £220.47.

Having been duly proposed and seconded, these accounts were accepted by the meeting.

Election to the Executive Committee.

There being six vacant places on the Executive and only five nominations received, Mr. Hill declared that these persons had been elected to serve on the Executive for 1974-75.

Mr. F. Bastin
Mr. K. Bilham
Mr. P. J. Delmon
Mr. D. B. Ives
Mr. A. H. Ritchie

One vacancy still remained on the Executive as constitutionally operative at that time.

Motion for Discussion : Mr. Hill put to the meeting the Executive Committee's belief that the new Constitution and Rules should be put to the members as a whole entity, and that subsequent amendments and simplifications could be discussed at future General Meetings if the proposal as a whole were accepted.

Mr. R. Butcher spoke in favour of the new Constitution and Rules and formally moved the motion on behalf of the Executive Committee.

Mr. A. Smith, speaking on behalf of the Yorkshire Federation of Amateur Winemakers, undertook to second the motion, and he then continued to address the meeting on the following points :

- (1) The new membership structure as proposed was unnecessarily complex.
- (2) Mr. Smith thought that the majority of members in the Yorkshire Federation (many of whom were not able to record their personal votes at Margate) would prefer a Circle/Federation/National structure.
- (3) He therefore proposed that the new Constitution be rejected in order that a further twelve months' thought could be devoted to producing a clearer and more comprehensive document.

Mr. Adcock, speaking on behalf of the A.W.N.G.J., also urged that more time be allowed before submitting such a complex and, in places, ambiguous set of Rules.

Mr. Acton asked that clarification be given to members at this stage as to how the system of rebates would operate.

Messrs. Chaplin, Eden and Grout, speaking on behalf of the Ace of Clubs Wine Circle, also had criticisms to make of individual parts of the proposed Constitution.

Mr. Butcher then replied to these various criticisms on behalf of the Executive.

The proposal was put to the vote, with the following result :

For the Motion—133.

Against the Motion—108.

Spoilt votes—7.

Tellers : From the Executive—Miss S. Varley, Mr. B. Edwards.
From the Floor—Mr. I. Morgan, Mr. J. Gibbs.

Other business :

1. The Executive proposed that Mr. Andrews be invited to be President of the Association for a further year.
2. Mr. Delmon, speaking as an Individual Member, voiced his concern that the Entry Fee for a Member Circle to the Show was far in excess of the Entry Fee charged to an Individual Member.
3. Mrs. Timbrell criticised the fact that the Schedules had not been distributed well in advance.

4. Mrs. Lucas enquired why no Newsletter had been produced for a considerable time. She felt that members were not being kept informed of action taken by the Executive.
5. Mr. Adcock pleaded for a change in the Schedule so that the Members' Classes would include mainly Wines by Purpose.

Presentation of Committee: Mr. Hill then introduced to the meeting each member of the Executive in turn, extending his thanks to all of them and particular thanks on behalf of the Association to those who were now retiring.

Mr. Andrews, after thanking Mr. Hill for his own efforts during the past year, then closed the meeting.

PHILIP DELMON

General Secretary