

Dalbeattie Men's Shed

Notes of 6th Annual General Meeting & Members Meeting No 28, held by Zoom on 13th April 2021.

1. Present.

John Forrest (Chair), Robin Gilchrist (Vice Chair), Geoff Allison (Secretary), Mike Sandes (Assist, Secretary), Geoff Thomas (Treasurer).

Derek Andrews, Brian Atwell, Alec Brown, Rolf Buwert, Blythe Gale, Phil Kirby, John Knox, Bernie Lazenbury, John Lind, Graham Mercer, Mick O'Mara, Dave Stott, Chris Worley.

2. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Peter Heyes, David Higginbottom and Chris McIntyre.

3. Arrangements.

This AGM was conducted by zoom in line with Clause 117 (Force Majeure) of the Shed Constitution, due to the Shed being in lockdown. Notice was given to Members by email on 30th March that a minimalistic AGM was to be held by zoom on Tuesday 13th April, together with an invitation for amendments to the proposed arrangements. No amendments being received, the AGM and Members Meeting no 28 was held at 10:00 -10:40 am on 13th April. These notes will be emailed to members for acceptance (or otherwise) voting to be by phone or email to the Secretary on/before Tuesday 26th April.

4. Chair's Report.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT APRIL 2021

As all of us are very much aware, the Shed has been closed all year because of the pandemic. However, we still have 41 active members and, I, am pleased to say, we have only lost 3 members who have left the area due to personal circumstances.

All our office bearers remain in place despite the inactivity at the Shed. I am extremely grateful to Mike Sands for setting up weekly zoom meetings for our committee and also to all the office bearers who have attended so regularly, in order for us all to be able to contribute to the discussions we have had during this year. These meetings ensure that we will still have a functioning Shed once we are able to re-open. During the year it was decided that, on a monthly basis, these zoom meetings would be open to all Shed members as a means of communication and also to help to keep in touch with as many members as were interested in attending. In addition, our office bearers have given time to e-mailing and 'phoning members to keep them in touch with what is happening.

I wish to extend my thanks, on behalf of myself and the membership, to both Geoff Allison and Geoff Thomas for their dedication to the Shed through all the work they continued to do on our behalf which means we are still very much in a solvent position. As always, all grant applications and closures have been presented on time and have realised the intended financial return. With three fund raising Coffee Mornings missed it has been essential to secure any additional funding we could raise.

There have been a number of limited social distanced Shed visits to ensure the maintenance of the building and equipment and to carry out some cleaning and update inventories. Some selected

activities have been moved out of the Shed to members' homes, such as 3D Printing, Engraving, Bike Service and Refurbishment and other Repairs.

The biggest activity to be moved was, of course, the Skeoch Project. Palnackie became the temporary Skeoch residency and provided Tom Parker with several new challenges to battle with, for him and son-in-law, Cy. We are very grateful to them both, and the others who have lent their expertise when needed and the end result has been the completion of the "one and only" Skeoch Cycle Car. Thanks must also go to Robin Gilchrist for his negotiations regarding the purchase of a trailer to transport the Skeoch and his ferrying of the car to Sanderson's Garage to be painted in its shiny red livery. Robin also took the trailer to have the Dalbeattie Shed Logo transferred onto it for publicity, and also as part of the security measures we have had to put in place.

Despite our shutdown for over a year, Dalbeattie Men's Shed has been kept very much in the public eye, mainly by our Secretary's various activities. He has represented us via zoom meetings with five different Associations such as the National Shed Network on two separate occasions. He has also been involved in zoom Consultations with five separate groups, one of which is the Network Rail Mental Health Panel. In addition, there have been features and articles in several Magazine and Papers and three separate TV videos during this last year.

I end this report on a positive note. Although shut and unable to function as we would all have wanted, we have not stagnated over the last twelve months, but have continued to talk to one another, work together when we could, been aware of our members' needs and tried to meet them as well as we have been allowed to do. We are ready to go our re-opening Risk Assessments and Protocols are done and all we are waiting on now is the Green Light, and it will come!

John Forrest
CHAIRMAN

The Chair's report was recommended for acceptance by the Members - proposed by Rolf Buwert, seconded by David Stott and carried unanimously.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented a financial report for year ending 31st March 2021, see overleaf:

**Dalbeattie Men's Shed
Trustees Meeting
Financial Statement as at 6th April 2021**

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Receipts			
Easy Funding		£89.38	
Amazon Prime		£31.46	
Skeoch Donations		£8,043.60	
Other Donations		£1,201.57	
Sales		£488.92	
Refurbished Sales		£640.00	
Gift Aid		£898.61	
Bank Interest		£85.33	
			£11,478.87
Payments			
Insurance	£340.52		
Materials	£428.93		
Equipment	£134.13		
Skeoch	£1,211.27		
Web & Broadband	£322.96		
Advertising & PR	£33.72		
Subs & Charges	£208.95		
Postage & Stationery	£126.23		
Cleaning	£43.46		
Repairs & Maintenance	£108.93		
	£2,959.10		£8,519.77

The Treasurer's report was recommended for acceptance by the Members – Proposed by John Knox, Seconded by John Lind and was carried unanimously.

6. Retiring Officers

Under the clause 74 of the Shed Constitution all Officers and Trustees resigned and offered themselves for re-election to their positions. Chris Worley has volunteered for the vacant Office of Assistant Treasurer and the Board recommend his appointment to the Members Meeting.

6. Closure

Items 4 - 6 fulfil the Board Agenda for this AGM and the meeting was closed at 10:15. The AGM will be concluded after Tuesday 26th April when the Secretary will report on any changes/corrections to these notes.

7. Voting

These notes are a true record of the 6th DMS AGM *John Forrest* 27-04-21

Dalbeattie Men's Shed
Notes of Members Meeting No 28, held 13th April 2021 at 10:15am by Zoom.

1. Present & Apologies.

As per AGM.

2. Appointment of Assistant Treasurer.

Rolf Buwert proposed the appointment of Chris Worley to the post of Assistant Treasurer, seconded by David Stott, the appointment was carried unanimously. Under clause 10 of the DMS Constitution this appointment also makes Chris Worley a Trustee, the Secretary will arrange Chris' Trustee Declaration and has provided an induction/information pack of Trustee Duties. The Treasurer has discussed Assistant Treasurer duties with Chris and will arrange signing authority with DMS banks.

3. Reappointment of DMS Board and Trustees

Blythe Gale proposed the reappointment of retiring Officers and Trustees en masse, seconded by Mick O'Mara – the proposal was carried unanimously resulting in the following reappointments:

John Forrest, Chair & Trustee

Geoff Allison, Secretary & Trustee

Geoff Thomas, Treasurer & Trustee

Robin Gilchrist, Vice Chair & Trustee

Mike Sandes, Assistant Secretary & Trustee

Brian Atwell, Trustee.

4. AOCB

4.1 A question arose regarding Shed re-opening now that most members have had their second Covid vaccination. The Secretary reminded the meeting that the current FACTS rules for social interaction preclude re-opening the Shed until the 2 metre distancing and two households inside public building restrictions are eased. Mike Sandes advised that he had queried SMSA about the application of these restrictions to Men's Sheds and received an uninformative response.

4.2 The Secretary was requested to send a thank you letter to Sanderson Auto repair for the excellent job they did on the Skeoch.

5. Next Meeting

The next formal Member's Meeting is due Tuesday 13th July 2021, it will be held on Zoom if the Shed is still closed. There will be informal Member Zoom Meetings on the second Tuesday of each month the Shed is closed [e.g., 11th May].

Geoff Allison 16/04/21