

Strathclyde Raynet Group

2009 AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Strathclyde Raynet Group held on 25th February 2009 in the SOL Training room, Albert Street, Motherwell.

Present:

Alan Newlands	GM4VAY	Azeem Din	GM8KWQ	Adrian Beale	GM1FML
Irene Newlands	SRG001	Alan Buchan	GM0EFH	Brenda McRae	MM3DQV
Crawford Ross	GM8HBY	Denis Curran	GM7SWX	Kenny Cupples	GM1MMK
Kenneth McRae	MM3DQX	Ricky McHarg	GM8TT		

Total membership as at December 2007 = 20

1 Apologies

GM4COX Jack Hood

2 Minutes of 2007 AGM

Proposed – Denis Curran GM7SWX

Seconded – Azeem Din GM8KWQ

3 Matters arising from 2008 minutes

Nothing not discussed in full from Agenda.

4 Controllers Report

Very similar to last year, events the same plus East Coast weekend. Quite a few requests from other groups for assistance. Appears to be common now in Scotland for several groups to join together to run an event eg: cycling. Several groups that were RSGB affiliated have dropped out to become independent, seemingly often for “political” reasons which has led to a reduction of RSGB networks eg: Ayrshire, Greater Glasgow (ex-East Dumbarton). Inverness, Fife and Lothians still remain within RSGB.

In motorsport, Galloway Hills despite asking for MSA radio support, were unable to get operators, likewise Solway Rally. Via RSGB website we had 2 approaches for assistance. One wanting to hire a system (we said no) and one from the Boys Brigade which has not materialised. We have 4 regular events – 3 boating and Mull.

The RSGB (we are affiliated) has brought in Personal Accident Insurance for members who are registered and on official events.

I.D. badges are now offered by RSGB to affiliated as well as member groups, so after discussion, the meeting agreed to obtain badges for all members who asked for one.

5 Treasurers Report

Allan GM0EFH presented the audited accounts. ARIS insurance and a donation to SOL need to have paperwork sorted (by other SRG members). It appears no claim has been made to the Mull Rally for our expenses this year. The Treasurer strongly requested that efforts be made by those involved to reclaim it.

In the light of these accounts the Treasurer does not foresee any need to increase the subscription.

Accounts proposed - Adrian Beale GM1FML

seconded - Denis Curran GM7SWX

6 Quartermasters Report

Adrian GM1FML circulated a full equipment list with insurance values. No damage this year, but another C528 was stolen on Mull from same location. It was locked in a box and padlocked to the ground, but it went. He has been able to replace with 2nd hand units which have both been repaired. A different configuration will be tried next year. A box of Ethernet cables is still missing after Tarbet, whereabouts unknown. Kenny GM1MMK is storing most large equipment, with thanks.

7 Election of Office Bearers

Elections were held as follows:

Post	Candidate	Proposer	Secunder	Result
Controller	GM7SWX Denis Curran	GM1MMK	GM8KWQ	Elected unopposed
Deputy Controller	GM8HBY Crawford Ross	GM8KWQ	GM8HBY	Elected unopposed
Secretary	MM3DQV Brenda McRae	GM1MMK	GM0EFH	Elected unopposed
Treasurer	GM0EFH Allan Buchan	GM1MMK	GM7SWQ	Elected unopposed
Quartermaster	GM1FML Adrian Beale	GM4VAY	MM3DQV	Elected unopposed

8 Election of Ordinary Members

Elections were held as follows:

Post	Candidate	Proposer	Secunder	Result
Ordinary member	GM1MMK Kenny Cupples	GM7SWX	SRG001	Elected unopposed

9 Adoption of Auditors

Both the existing auditors, Terry Darke GM3VQJ and Peter Miller GM6SHB, have indicated that they are willing to remain as auditors for 2008.

Proposed – Brenda MM3DQV and seconded Denis GM7SWX

10 Subscription for 2008

The Treasurer recommended the subscriptions remain as per last year at £10.00 for an adult and at 50% for a student (in full time education or apprenticeship). The meeting agreed.

11 Setting an individual spending limit

No change proposed to £25 limit, the meeting agreed.

12 Amendments to the Constitution

In Section 9, paragraph 2, remove “or two professionally qualified persons” and insert “or one competent person”. Proposed - Adrian GM1FML. Seconded – Kenny MM1GMK

13 AOCB

Azeem GM8AWQ suggested that as RADCOM are selling off complete systems of comms gear, built for HF emergency links, @ £600 for complete station, including masts, units, computers etc, it would suit two groups to each have a system, which is designed to be rapidly deployable. The meeting decided to discuss with other groups, and suggested the local council might be persuaded to store the unit.

Meeting closed at 22.56