



## Border Ice Rink Club

### Minutes of the 57th Annual General Meeting

<b>Date:</b>	Wednesday 15th September 2021
<b>Time:</b>	6.45pm
<b>Location:</b>	The Clubrooms, Border Ice Rink, Golf Course Rd, Kelso TD5 7SL
<b>Members in Attendance:</b>	Liz Martin, David Mitchell, Liz Cullen, Jim Cullen, Graeme Cowe, Bill Byers, John Burns, Bill Burgess, Lewis McCran, Isla Forsyth, George Whiteford, Bob Robertson, Peter Bowyer, Peter Brewis, Jonny McCririck, Oliver Stark, Colin Martin, Colin Macnab, Colin Stirling, Judith Dixon, James Collin, Harry Dodds, Andrew Adams, Lucy Tile, Helen Mathieson, John Stevenson, David Tait, Ann Tait, Keith Prentice, Suzanne Porteous, Robert Walker.
<b>In Attendance:</b>	Gill Adamson (Rennie Welch)
<b>Apologies:</b>	Cameron Martin, Andrew Wemyss, Stephen Brown, Debbie Higgins, Elspeth Bell, John Hodge, Allan Dorward, Teresa Dorward, Graeme Baxter, Josh Hogarth.
<b>Welcome:</b>	Border Ice Rink Club President Liz Martin welcomed everyone to the 57th Annual General Meeting and opened the meeting at 6.45pm.
<b>In Memoriam:</b>	<p>Liz Martin read the following names that have passed away over the last year.</p> <p>Michael Aitchison – Glendale, Fiona Turnbull – Foulden, Margaret Cadzow – Roxburghe, Robert Mathieson – Greenlaw, Steve Lamport – Swinton, Glynnice Lauder – Coldstream, Pam Brewis – Roxburghe, Sheena Miller – Roxburghe, Hazel Stewart – Roxburghe, Syd Sinclair – Ayton, Norman Thompson – Coldstream, Rosemary Scott – Lees, Hugh Robertson – Greenlaw, Alistair Ray – Greenlaw.</p> <p>Liz then requested that the meeting hold a two minute silence in memory of their passing.</p>
<b>Minutes of 56th AGM:</b>	<p>Liz Martin ensured that all attendees have had an opportunity to read the minutes of the 56<sup>th</sup> AGM. Robert Walker raised an issue with initials being recorded in the minutes rather than full names. David Mitchell, Secretary, advised that the minutes would be amended to reflect this issue and a copy of the amended minutes are available on the Ice Rink website and attached to this minute for reference.</p> <p> 2020 AGM minute_updated 1905</p>
<b>Matters Arising</b>	No further matters were raised and the minutes of the 56th AGM were approved by Jim Cullen and seconded by Colin MacNab.

<b>Auditor's Report</b>	<p>Gill Adamson of Rennie Welch LLP was in attendance at the meeting.</p> <p>All Members were provided access to a copy of the Annual Account for BIR, together with a summary of the accounts.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">         5. 2021 BIRC        Accounts as at 31_07     </div> <div style="text-align: center;">         5. 2021 BIRC        Accounts Summary.p     </div> </div> <p>Gill Adamson provided a general update to the accounts.</p> <p>Matters raised:</p> <p>Make up of Contracted Income - Funds received from Scottish Borders Councils use of the Ice Rink as a morgue and Springwood Park for contracted services.</p> <p>Heating &amp; Lighting expense – needed to be run to ensure building did not degrade.</p> <p>Additional Scottish Borders Council required the Ice Rink was suitable to be used a morgue. These funds were recouped from the Council and included in Contracted Income.</p> <p>No further issues were raised and the Accounts were approved by Keith Prentice and seconded by Jim Cullen.</p>
<b>President's Report</b>	<p>All Members were provided access to a copy of President's Report prior to the meeting and Liz Martin delivered in person at the meeting. No issues were raised.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">         6. 2021 President's        Report.pdf     </div> <p>As last year's AGM was held on Zoom Keith Prentice then presented the President Medal to the first lady President of the Borders Ice Rink Club to Liz Martin.</p>
<b>Election of Committee</b>	<p>At the prior Special General Meeting the Members of the Club unanimously agreed to continue the President and retiring Committee members for a further year. Therefore there was no election of Committee required at this time.</p>
<b>Annual Membership Fee 2021 - 2022</b>	<p>David Mitchell, Treasurer Border Ice Rink Trust, proposed that the Membership Fee remain at £30.00 for 2022/23 which would be paid to the Trust. There were no objections therefore the Fee of £30.00 was agreed.</p>
<b>Appointment of Auditor</b>	<p>Liz Martin proposed that Rennie Welch should remain as an auditor for Border Ice Rink Club. This was approved unanimously.</p>
<b>Additional Reports</b>	<div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="margin-right: 20px;">         10a. 2021 BIR Board        Report.pdf     </div> <p><b>Border Ice Rink Ltd</b> - All Members were provided access to a copy of the report prior to the meeting and Oliver Stark delivered in person at the meeting. Jim Cullen raised the issue of the replacement of the roof being decided on take up of curling and skating and it should be replaced to keep the integrity of the building.</p> </div>
	<div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="margin-right: 20px;">         10b. 2021 BIR Trust        Report.pdf     </div> <p><b>Border Ice Rink Trust</b> - All Members were provided access to a copy of the report prior to the meeting and Jim Cullen delivered in person at the meeting. No issues were raised.</p> </div>
	<div style="display: flex; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="margin-right: 20px;">         10c. 2021 BIR Ladies        Section Report.pdf     </div> <p><b>Border Ice Rink Ladies Section</b> - All Members were provided access to a copy of the report prior to the meeting and Lucy Tile delivered in person at the meeting. No issues were raised.</p> </div>
	<p><b>Border Curling Development Group</b> – no report was submitted as no activities were undertaken in the last year, however, a meeting has been held recently.</p>

**Any Other Business**

- O Stark raised a question in regards to the comment from J Cullen regarding the replacement of the roof. He asked J Cullen, as Chairman of the Trust, the present position of the Border Ice Rink Trust in their quest for grant funding to assist in the replacement of the roof. J Cullen advised that many of the sources of grants have now dried up; however, in discussions with SportScotland there was potential funding from "Proceeds of Crime Act". As yet no funding has been received from this source.
- R Walker raised the issue of what grant funding had been sourced by the Trust as the Board. D Mitchell / P Bowyer advised that the Trust had looked into these sources, and also funding from other sources, windfarm etc, and had not been able to meet the criteria to access funding. R Walker then stated various entities that had recently undertaken work, purportedly from grant funding, in the area and enquired why the Trust had not obtained any funds. It was again re-iterated that the Trust were unable to meet the appropriate criteria. It was suggested that further discussions should be held with the Trust and as this was a Club AGM and the Club had no responsibilities for these actions.
- O Stark then advised the meeting that the Board had now obtained two quotes to replace the roof. However, the costs of replacement differed by a substantial sum and further investigation was required.
- J Cullen also advised that a lease was now being prepared as the Trust did not wish to enter into a full repairing and insuring lease when the Building required a new roof.
- R Walker then enquired why the meeting had been advised that the "proposed" date the Trust was 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 and not an actual date? J Cullen advised by then it is hoped that the roof will be replaced in Summer 2022 and by that date a signed lease will be in place.
- Further discussion was undertaken where upon Liz Martin intervened and advised that this was not the correct forum to discuss this matter further and a meeting would be arranged between the appropriate parties.
- Colin Martin thanked the Directors and the Trust on behalf of the members for all the hard work being done towards the roof etc and Graeme and Josh for all their hard work getting the ice rink spruced up and for making the new seasons ice which must be a difficult job now there are only the two of them.
- Liz Martin, asked members if they had any other competent business. None being offered she thanked the members for attending and closed the meeting at 7.32pm.