



Border Ice Rink Club

Minutes of the 58th Annual General Meeting

Date:	Thursday 22 nd September 2022	
Time:	7.00pm	
Location:	The Clubrooms, Border Ice Rink, Golf Course Rd, Kelso TD5 7SL	
Members in Attendance:	Roddy McLean (St Boswells), Graeme Cowe (Earlston), Oliver Stark (Roxburghe), Lucy Tile (Jedburgh), Colin MacNab (Kelso), Sheila Macnab (Kelso), P M Colebrook (Greenlaw), Malcolm Ross (St Ronans), Bill Byers (Earlston), Alastair Hodge (Swinton), Liz Cullen (Earlston), Jim Cullen (Earlston), Ann Tait (Coldstream), Andrew Wemyss (BIR Ltd), Robert Walker (Coldstream), Callum Mclean (Coldstream), Alyson Booker (Duns), A Lindsay (Westruther), Peter Brewis (Ayton Castle), Keith Prentice (Ayton Castle), Gwen Prentice (Ayton Castle), Margaret Matheson (Greenlaw), Richard Smith (St Ronans), Colin Martin (Ayton Castle), Liz Martin (Ayton Castle), bill Cleghorn (Greenlaw), George Whiteford (Duns), David Tait (Coldstream), Colin Stirling (Lauderdale), Neil McLain (Coldstream), Jill Sinton (Jedburgh), John Burns (Earlston), John Stevenson (Greenlaw), Charles Booker (Duns), David Mitchell (Earlston).	
In Attendance:	Ross Tinlin (Rennie Welch)	
Apologies:	Dorothy Silver, Tim Price, Debbie Higgins, John Hodge, Julie Watts, Michael Sutherland, Harry Dodds, Gary Craig, Cameron Martin, Susanne Porteous, Rebecca Forrest, Matt Tile, Georgia Richardson, Peter Bowyer.	
Welcome:	Border Ice Rink Club President Liz Martin welcomed everyone to the 58th Annual General Meeting and opened the meeting at 7.00pm.	
In Memoriam:	Liz Martin read the following names that have passed away over the last year. Ted Thomson – Roxburghe and Rob Brewis (Ossie) – Swinton. Liz then requested that the meeting hold a minute silence in memory of their passing.	
Minutes of 57th AGM:	Liz Martin ensured that all attendees have had an opportunity to read the minutes of the 57 th AGM and SGM. In respect of the SGM David Mitchell raised the matter regarding the transfer of £1 payment of each person’s BIRC membership fee for 2021 – 2022 being used to become a member of the Trust. This was not undertaken in the past year as the Trust is not actively involved in the running of the Ice Rink at present.	
Matters Arising	No further matters were raised and the Minutes of the 57th AGM and SGM were approved by George Whiteford and seconded by Colin Martin.	
Auditor’s Report	2022 BIRC Accounts 2022 Accounts Summary	Ross Tinlin of Rennie Welch LLP was in attendance at the meeting. All Members were provided access to a copy of the Annual Account for BIR, together with a summary of the accounts. Ross Tinlin provided a general update to the accounts. No issues were raised and the Accounts were approved by Alyson Brooker and seconded by Jim Cullen.
President’s Report	2022 Presidents Report	Liz Martin delivered the report in person at the meeting. No issues were raised.

<p>Election of Committee</p>	<p>A discussion took place regarding the role of President, Vice President and Junior Vice President. Liz Martin advised that at present there weren't any members in the Vice and Junior Vice President and asked the meeting if anyone was willing to undertake either of these roles. No-one came forward and Liz advised we would continue to pursue these roles. Therefore it was agreed that Liz Martin would continue as President for a further year and this was approved by Jim Cullen and seconded by Peter Brewis. Discussion then took place regarding the role of the Secretary / Treasurer of the Club. David Mitchell provided background to the reasons why this role was thought to benefit the Club especially during the coming year. Given his role in the Management Group at present it was felt that David should undertake this role and it was unanimously agreed by the members at the meeting.</p> <p>The present retiring members of the Committee were Keith Prentice, Bob Robertson, Colin Macnab and Harry Dodds. Isla Forsyth and Keith Prentice were elected as members of the Committee.</p>	
<p>Annual Membership Fee 2023 - 24</p>	<p>David Mitchell, Treasurer Border Ice Rink Club, proposed that the Membership Fee remain at £30.00 for 2023/24 which would be paid to the Club. David provided background as to why there was no increase given that at the Open Meeting on the 30th August it was stated there could be a potential loss of £36k in the coming year. He advised with the Government's recent announcement on Gas Bill for businesses and the introduction of volunteers in respect of ice-making and associate role it was expected that significant saving could be made. Given this information there were no objections therefore the Fee of £30.00 was agreed.</p>	
<p>Appointment of Auditor</p>	<p>David Mitchell proposed that Rennie Welch should remain as the auditor for Border Ice Rink Club. This was unanimously approved.</p>	
<p>Additional Reports</p>	<p>2022 BIR Ltd Report</p>	<p>Border Ice Rink Ltd - All Members were provided access to a copy of the report prior to the meeting. Andrew Wemyss don't wish to reiterate points already covered at the Open Meeting; however, he intimated that John Stevenson is undertaking the role of Ice Manager and Laura Nisbet in the role of Office Manager and thanked them both. O Stark then gave an update on the Plant and the issues being encountered at present and the issues re gas. Andrew also thanked Bill Cleghorn for his work on the website. Finally Andrew intimated that he was resigning from the Board and thanked everyone for the support to him. Keith Prentice thanked Andrew for his work over the past 13 years.</p>
	<p>2022 BIR Ladies Section Report</p>	<p>Border Ice Rink Ladies Section - 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>
<p>Any Other Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert Walker raise an issue with the 2021 AGM minutes regarding spelling of two names in Memoriam section - Steve Lampert – Swinton and Alistair Rae - Greenlaw. The Secretary has updated 2021 to reflect these amendments. • O Stark and B Cleghorn raised the issue of lack of volunteers for the Committee and asked that the attendees speak to members of their clubs to encourage them to assist the Committee. • Keith Prentice asked about the scorecard regarding the "8 ender" and this being sent to Scottish Curling. It was advised that this is now in hand and will be sent to Scottish Curling. • Robert Walker raised the issue of no times being mentioned regarding the Jubilee Bonspiel. Liz Martin explained the logic for not stipulating times initially as was look to get numbers first before deciding times. Members were advised that if they wished to play in morning or afternoon to stipulate this in their reply. 	



Meeting Closed	With no other business Liz Martin closed the meeting at 7.48pm
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