

Fenland Goatkeepers & Smallholders Club
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Minutes of Committee Meeting



Thursday 21st January 2010 at 7.30pm
West Walton Village Hall
Wisbech

The main purpose of this meeting was acquaint the committee with the audited financial report prior to the AGM and to address any comments made by the auditor.

1. **Present**

Shane Durston, Kim Webb, Sarah Sayers, Emma Durston, John Francis, Roger Symonds, Theresa George, Tony Dudley.

2. **Treasurer's Report of Audited Accounts (1st Nov 2008 – 31st Oct 2009)**

There has been an overspend of £227.97.

This is attributed to the following:

Subscriptions were £100 less than last year. Although the number of members had stayed the same, those that joined at the Autumn Exhibition 2008 are not due for renewal until Jan 2010 and so cannot be included in the 2009 year end figures.

The contributions raised by the seed orders were £247 down on the previous year.

Due to late receipt of invoices, £56 of the hall hire expenditure relates to the year ending Oct 2008.

Given the amount of overspend in relation to the monies held in the savings account, the committee do not see this as detrimental to the financial wellbeing of the club.

The auditor suggested the number of newsletters sent is noted on the postage receipts.

The catering secretary would keep a simple in/out cash record book and a float of £10.

Advertising rates were set as: 1/8 page £12.50, ¼ page £25.00, ½ page £50. Full page negotiable.

3. **AGM**

The correct procedure to issue an amendment to the previous AGM minutes was reviewed. This

has to be raised from the floor at the AGM as the AGM minutes can only be amended at an AGM and not just by the committee.

Under the item 'Club Subscription Review' the committee will not recommend an increase for this year.

The officers standing are unopposed and should therefore be elected automatically. Nominations from the floor will be taken for any vacant posts. If there are more nominations than vacant posts to be filled, then history dictates this will be decided by a secret ballot of those members present.

4. **Any Other Business**

Until the position of newsletter editor is filled Emma will continue. Emma requested any items of interest be forwarded to her for inclusion in the magazine.

Theresa recommended a lambing course she had been on at Moulton College, Northampton.

John thanked Roger for his idea for the Christmas party. A great time was had by all.

Sarah requested the outstanding postage receipts and number of club t-shirts held in stock.

Shane wanted to progress the idea of the electronic newsletter. This would be held over for discussion at the next committee meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21:10 hrs.

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All committee members via email.