



Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society

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MINUTES

RNARS 57TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 14th October 2017 14.00

Held in the RNA Gosport

Present (in order of signing in)

Hans-Juergen DK9OS & Maren DK9MOS, Sheila Watkin G8WSG Mem. No. 2813, Ed Watkin. G4KIO. Mem. No. 1159. John Taylor M0HTE & Diane, Paul Waldock M0LRE, John Pengilly (visitor), Clive Eggington M0COA, Chris Wilkinson M6FUW, David Firth 2E0GLL, Alan Campbell M6LFM, Joe Kirk G3ZDF, Andy M5ALG & Maureen M3AGI, Julia Tribe M0IUUY, Simon Tribe M0IEY, George MacEvoy G4NFT #1990, Peter Lewry G4TNN, Mick Puttick G3LIK, Ray Ezra G3KOJ, Marc Litchman G0TOC, Bevan Johns (visitor)

Cdre Paul Sutermeister, Joe Skittlethorpe M6VLL, Dave Lacey G4JBE, Adrian Mori 2E0JVM, Tony Mori M1AFM, Doug Hotchkiss G4BEQ, Martin Longbottom M0EHL, Doug Bowen G0MIU

The Meeting opened at 14.04.

1. Chairman's introduction

Chairman welcomed everyone to this 57th AGM of the RNARS.

2. Greetings (read out by Secretary)

- Warm greetings from the sister society MF-Runde to the RNARS AGM:

In the name of all the members MF-Runde thanks the Society for all its hard work.

Albert DL8LD Chairman MF 797

- Warm greetings from the MFCA (Naval Radio amateur Club Austria):

The committee of MFCA wishes all the best to all RNARS AGM participants.

Werner OE6NFK Chairman RN4582

Greetings from Rosie Dodd our former Ex-Officio but now working in the Dockyard were conveyed by Doug G4BEQ.

3. **Apologies for absence**

Neville Grant, G0FOD, 3170, John Sloan, M0AEK, 1050, Danny Sharpe, G3ZUN, 0459, Stan Ridgway, G3TZQ, 0407, Dr John Alley, W1DMD, 1347, Glenn Loake, G0GBI, 3481, Henry, M0ZAE, 4955, Paul , PA5UL, 3302, Ian, ZL2BJC, 0972, Wally, G4DIU, 0391, Peter Greenhalgh, G3XGE, 2951, Phil Manning, G1LKJ, 2954, Jim Banner, BW/G4TDS : , 3355, Brian Payne, , 0176, Les Carpenter , G4CNH, 0714, Jo van Laarschot, , , PA0VLA, , 0944, Doug Cansfield, G0LDJ, 3686, Peter Saunders, VK6APW/ex-HZ1PS, 1440, Nik, OE8NIK, 4198, Joe, M0AXP , 5032, Keith , G0CWP, 4851, Peter, G1EHB, 4983, Clive Kidd, G3YTQ, 690, Peter HARDY , G3VNH, 0292, Dick HARDY , G3TIX, 0298, Bill Mahoney, G3TZM, 0328, Doug Goodison, G0LUH, , Ian Hutchinson, 2E0IHH, Frank Cotton G0LFI, Christine Cotton M6UBI, Colin Burton, VK6BQ

4. **President's report**

The President welcomed everyone to the Meeting. He thanked the RNA for hosting us and to the ladies who provided the excellent lunch and other refreshments.

He explained that we had been without a Chairman for part of the previous year but the vacancy had been covered by our Secretary. He thanked him for holding the fort.

He welcomed our new Chairman David and said that his background was that of user/maintainer, a title he was sure that could apply to many members.

There had been good representation at a number of rallies across the country.

He thanked Colin for producing a very readable Newsletter with a good mix of articles.

He thanked the Officers and the Committee for all their work throughout the year.

5. **Minutes of the last AGM** were proposed by Dave G4JBE and seconded by Clive M0COA and agreed unanimously.

6. **Chairman's report including Silent Keys**

a. **Welcome**

Mr President, ladies and gentlemen, Members of the RNARS welcome to the 57th AGM of the Society and thank you all for attending.

Herr Praisident, meiner damen und herren willkommen zu unserer seben und funfsich AGM von der Society. Fur unserer freunden, Maren und Hans-Juergen, lch mochte euch heir in Fareham begrusson.

b. Silent Keys

Before continuing with the proceedings I sadly draw your attention to our members who have crossed over the bar over the past year, and ask you to stand and join me for one minute's silence as a mark of respect for our silent keys.

Membership Nr	Callsign	First Name	Surname	Silent KeyDate
0033	7Q7BP/G3MRC	Joe/Brian	POOLE	02/05/2017
0510	G3RSP	Allan	PAMPLING	09/07/2017
0909	ZL3WD	Les	BAGNALL	10/10/2016
1532	M0IMJ	Ivor	MORGAN-JONES	03/12/2016
2075	G0SJQ	Len	EVANS	Dec 2015
2139	G4PTN	Harry	MYERS	Aug 2017
2336	G4JOA	Kevin	Wood	August 2017
2738	GM0KTJ	Kenneth	WARD	26-12-16
2887	PF9A	Martin	OUWEHAND	08/04/2017
2935	G0FEO	Tony	QUY	16/07/2017
3035	G0CWK	John	SEYMOUR	24/01/2017
3230	G0GPO	Alfred	BEER	21/12/2016
3530	G0MFB	John	KEELEY	11/10/2016
4172	G4UDY	Bev	Moorcroft (lapsed)	01/08/2017
4514	G3CCO	Dave	Williams	10/12/2016
4567	M0LLE	Jack	BELL	Sept 2016
4911	M0NAF	Nigel	AUCKLAND	27/11/2016

- c. The past twelve months have been a time of uncertainty linked to planning for the future, with minor systems changes along the way to improve our installation in the HQ building & in preparation for a recruitment campaign. However, before I bring you some of the details I would like to say that were it not for my predecessor, Doug Hotchkiss, working in concert with the existing Committee I would have found it a lot harder to settle in, and to continue with his vision, and to expand on his ideas.
- d. Of all the changes that could have had a major impact upon us at the HQ building has been the threatened closure of HMS Sultan with the absorption of the entire estate within the boundaries of HMS Collingwood.

In the interim we looked at how major change had affected the HQ organisation in the past, and drew up a 'rough plan' should the RNARS building be earmarked for demolition in preparation for the move. By mid-summer we had been tasked, as part of an establishment-wide early data gathering exercise, to draw up our unit's profile of activities and needs which was presented to the authorities mid-summer.

Since that time there has been a re-think over the feasibility of the move and it looks as though very little will happen in the near future. A serious problem with the MoD's strategy is that Sultan's footprint is too large for the existing size of the Collingwood estate.

- e. Other changes that have been ongoing are essentially due to my predecessor's efforts to increase recruitment not only by widening the qualifications for membership, but by taking on the tasks associated with preparing the HQ Shack for training purposes, and by expanding publicity material, and so on. It is our intention to acquire modern equipment and introduce hardware that will improve our operational activities that in some way will mimic the kind of aerial systems that modern operators will find onboard; patch panels, aerial cable trunking, new aerials, new radio equipment with built in audio visual tuning -waterfall display technology.
- f. Training with up-to-date radio equipment is key to our goal of recruiting younger members from the Royal Navy into the Society. The HQ building is a 'Registered Training Centre' with the RSGB and it makes sense to make our presence in HMS Collingwood more effective.

Many of us will be pleased to know that the seaman branch still have to learn Morse code for signalling purposes, and of course, some may need remedial training which is where we could help the establishment's training needs on a less formal basis.

- g. Youth Engagement has to be a major part of our recruitment strategy which comprises both remedial training, training for an external certificate in Morse, and the RSGB Foundation Licence. We have to adapt since most of our target audience is technically very savvy when it comes to PCs, gaming machines, and mobile phones. All of which are audio-visually feature rich. In contrast, on last year's open day we displayed a working SSTV link inside the shack using two handheld radios which had been put

together by one of our young serving members. Data and digital modes appear to be in the right direction.

- h. Open Day on June 3rd went well with good weather and a small team of operators in-house and an equipment display comprising an ICOM-7300 running in a data modes loop, while some of our members who couldn't attend on the day remained available on standby in their home shacks should external conditions make long range HF communications difficult. Our visitor numbers were quite reasonable with one or two members making themselves known during the day. Well done! To those all who supported our efforts.
- i. Welcome to Stephen Legg who is our new Shack Manager. He has already completed an inventory and is putting together a maintenance plan to address our needs, but I will leave it to him to tell us what is going on.
- j. **Radio Operations** -Over the year there has been a little less use of the equipment than I would like to have seen. This is mostly due to the deteriorating conditions of the 11-year solar cycle which is due to 'bottom-out' in around two years time. As we all know it makes HF working somewhat haphazard and chatter is becoming more focused on grey line opportunities for DXing. Thankfully, two of our young uniformed members have set up a Tuesday Net Meeting during the afternoon to early evening on or near 3.740MHz with the call sign GB3RN, voice mode. News has spread quickly among members who are outside our locale and I remain hopeful that the Tuesday Net will become a permanent feature with many QSLs in the offing, in spite of the poor conditions. Recently, I have been approached by two of our older members to see if we could acquire modern equipment such as the ICOM-7300, it would appear there are several of us who are already owners of this up-to-date transmitter/receiver and becoming aware of its range of powerful features. We also have a burgeoning interest group delving into Weak Signal Propagation Reporting (WSPR) with at least two kits being built and a third member who has the software to decode the signals on a PC via his receiver.
- k. In closing I would like to thank all of the Committee for their unstinting support of the RNARS. They work quietly in the background to keep the society afloat and are committed to the tasks they have volunteered to take on, and then some more on top of that.

My personal thanks to you all.

David Firth, 2E0GLL, Chairman

7. Secretary's report

- a. Firstly an apology. I am the person responsible for not making an early enough booking in the WO & SRs Mess in Collingwood. When I contacted the Mess Manager in April the date had already been taken. The preceding and following Saturdays were not suitable for a variety of reasons so we looked at alternative venues rather than alternative dates. In addition some members had already made travel arrangements for 14th October. We will be making a very, very early booking for next year's AGM.
- b. Our Chairman has already mentioned that we are planning to make some changes in the HQ Shack. It is worth mentioning that we are very tightly constrained to what we can do in the Shack because Carillion Amey who are responsible for maintenance of all the Collingwood estate made it very clear to us that they had the contract to carry out all maintenance. A measure of how efficient an organisation they are is shown by the fact we were given a completion date of 15th December for the repair of the central heater boiler that heats the HQ Shack. That's the 15th December 2016 and the boiler still has not been repaired. We therefore face the possibility of another very chilly winter in the HQ Shack.
- c. The D-Star repeater has continued to be troublesome and it is only thanks to non-member David G6ORL that it continues to operate. We are grateful for his help and support.
- d. I have just completed sending out the Newsletters and the split between printed and electronic versions is 400 printed to 200 electronic. Most new members opt for the electronic version. I use a free service called MailChimp for delivering the electronic versions and get lots of stats from them. It turns out that only about $\frac{3}{4}$ of members who get the electronic version actually click the link to see the Newsletter.
- e. Our ex-officio WO1 'Stan' Matthews has retired and his replacement WO1 'Ronnie' Knight has taken over the role.
- f. We hosted 1 exam in the Shack and I am pleased to say with a 100% pass rate.

- g. As the Fresher's Fair is no longer held in Collingwood we are exploring other ways of letting new entrants (and old entrants) know of our existence and what we can offer.
- h. 50 year membership badges and certificates awarded to Paul G3VCN and Bill G3TZM.
Joe G3ZDF

8. Membership Secretary's report

- a. After a slow start in taking over from Wally after last year's AGM, I believe that with advice from Wally, Joe and indeed Adrian, that I have finally settled-in as membership secretary. Joe's extensive database has been pressed into service and is kept up-to-date with new member info and changes to members' details and status, as well as logging subs payments as received. In order to facilitate the role, I have been given "read only" access to the Society's PayPal account and am in the process of obtaining a similar "read only" access to the Society's bank account. I have produced a new "new members" pack, which contains a numbered membership certificate, laser printed on 170g high quality matte paper, a "welcome to the RNARS" letter, a copy of the Society's constitution, Wally's, "Short History of the RNARS" booklet, a copy of the current Newsletter and a RNARS lapel badge.
- b. 15 new members (#5022-5036), including one new serving member have been taken-on since the last AGM and around 30 lapsed members have re-joined. Speaking of lapsed members, a list of 111 who have not paid since 1st January 2017 is with Joe for checking against his records and, pending no anomalies being found, these former members will all be marked on the database as having lapsed and their details will be circulated to the committee. Joe can clarify, but I believe the autumn newsletter was not distributed to anyone on this list.

Not including the 111, there are 563 current members listed on the database of which 98 are Life Members
- c. Although I don't keep track of numbers, I have received and replied to a great many members e-mails and written letters. One or two queries, however, I am unable to answer, as I don't have the knowledge or access to historic records and these have been passed to Joe or Wally for comment or for reply.

- d. Issues - Somewhat frustratingly, I find myself having to process things like multiple sub's payments from the same member, anonymous sub's payments, underpayments, overpayments, payments from Life Members and even sub's payments from silent keys, each of which sets off a chain of events where, not only my time is wasted, but that of the Secretary and Treasurer also in trying to resolve these issues. I would therefore like to urge members to try to ensure their sub's payments are in good order.
- e. Finally, the new General Data Protection Regulation act comes into force in May 2018 and whilst I don't yet know how this will impact on us as a membership society, it is something that the committee will have to investigate to ensure that we will be in compliance.

Marc Litchman G0TOC, Membership Secretary

9. Treasurer's Report

Balance Carried forward		£49,685.12
1/4/2016		
Unpresented cheques 2015/16		£55.00
Sub Total		<u>£49,630.12</u>
Income		
Subscriptions	£6,814.28	
Awards	£0.00	
Rally Income	£30.00	
Commodities	£405.92	
Interest	£405.07	
Sundry	£0.00	
Sale of Surplus Kit	£0.00	
Sub-total	<u>£7,655.27</u>	<u>£7,655.27</u>
Total Income		£57,285.39
Expenditure		
Expenses	£589.26	
Rallies	£104.00	
Newsletter	£3,202.05	
Broadband	£463.32	
AGM	£523.00	
Ins	£327.56	
Refund Subs	£0.00	
Equipment & Repairs	£1,482.54	
Commodities	£543.51	
Sundry	£120.20	
RSGB	£47.00	
Total Expenditure	<u>£7,402.44</u>	<u>£7,402.44</u>
Sub Total		£49,882.95
Unpresented Cheques as at 31/3/2017		£112.00
Balance of Accounts as at 31/3/2017		<u>£49,994.95</u>

I have examined the books and documents presented to me and in my opinion the annual accounts give an accurate reflection of the RNARS state of affairs as at 31st March 2017

Signed

- a. Answering questions Adrian said we were relatively well-off and we were getting more income than we were spending
- b. It was pointed out that we had increased Newsletters from 3 to 4 per annum without any increase in subscriptions.

10. Announcement and presentation of RNARS Awards

G3WJN Trophy RNARS Merit Award	Adrian Mori 2E0JVM	For his work as Treasurer.
Certificates of Merit	Alan Campbell M6LFM	For their work in reorganising the cabling in the HQ Shack
	Joe Skittlethorpe M6VLL	
	Jürgen Timcke HB9ANE	For all the articles he submits for the Newsletter
Robert Sharpe G3AWY Award	Doug G4BEQ	For a series of articles on constructing simple but very useful devices

Joe G3ZDF was also presented with a Certificate by Hans-Juergen DK9OS.

11. Proposed amendment to Constitution by Joe G3ZDF

New members under the age of 25 will be offered free membership until they reach their 25th birthday. They will receive the electronic newsletter. If they wish to receive the printed Newsletter they will be required to pay the full subscription. Existing members under the age of 25 will not be entitled to any refunds of subscriptions but will be entitled to free membership until they reach their 25th birthday'

He said that we were not managing to recruit the younger new members we needed to ensure the long term viability of the RNARS. This was just one small change to try and encourage them into the Society recognising that a proportion probably would not renew on their 25th birthday and pay for their subscriptions but even if some renewed then the Society would benefit.

There was some discussion about this proposal and one comment that some organisations who manage a conversion rate of 11% consider this an excellent rate.

The proposal was agreed unanimously. It will be published in the Newsletter.

12. Managers' reports

a. Shack Manager (M6WVV)

In short the Shack is generally in a good position though continues to be under used. We need to encourage members to attend and to start to use it to its full potential. Even if it "additionally" opens

outside the standard Tuesday afternoon open times. Advertising of the shack has improved with signage now adorning the shack windows and portable banners for placement outside. The CWD open day went well with a number of visitors coming in to see what we did, this still could still be improved upon and further opportunities taken from future open days. Representatives from the RNARS are soon to promote the society and shack directly to CWD RN students and staff at within CWD by setting up lunch-time display(s) to promote Amateur Radio and Society.

This year we have completed a mast and antenna inspection, introduced updated inspection and recording guidelines. The internal stowage has been inspected and tidied. Members have been active in work undertaken on the radio bays, installing conduit to hide away cables and to greatly make the bays more effective and useable. A big thank you to those who gave there time and efforts to this.

We are looking into improving the décor of the shack, questions are being asked to the landlords (RN) to see if it is already included in any contract for building up-keep. If this is negative then costings will be sought on materials and floor materials to spruce the building up.

After conducting an antenna analysis some antennas/transmission line feeds were found to be inefficient. Once man power / time comes available these will be investigated further and corrected. The G5RV antenna has developed a fault and this needs lowering and inspection/repair.

Equipment: A new HF antenna has been installed and being used, a faulty Yaesu microphone has been inspected/tested, resulting in its replacement. A suitable fist microphone is currently being used. A new Icom HF radio is being sought to further enhance the shacks holdings and newly purchased patch boards will be secured into place and used. Future plans to introduce more data mode capability, and maybe further digital modes are an option. Filtering is being considered to allow close band operations.

This past year has allowed us to make a good assessment of where

we are and where we would like to be in the future. The future is looking good but it is all down to the investment of enthusiasm of club members to assist in making this a reality.

Again a big thank you for all those who have assisted this year.

Regards

Stephen Legg SHACK MAN

b. **QSL Manager (G0TOC)**

The practise of passing of QSL cards between members and between the RNARS and the other two service bureaus has been declining over the past few years. This year has been no exception with few incoming cards having been processed by the bureau since the 2016 AGM and these were mostly from the GB2CAV the HMS Cavalier and GB2RN, HMS Belfast groups.

The bureau has sent out 63 cards since the last AGM however 48 of these had been collected from the RSGB bureau for the various 2010 GB50RNARS activations.

The bureau currently contains 86 cards of which most are destined for overseas members who have made no financial provision for delivery.

Marc G0TOC

c. **Data Comms (G4JBE)**

The RNARS Yahoo Group is now in its 12th year. Of those 12 years I have been with it for 11 both as a group moderator and now group owner. The group continues to grow at a slow pace, currently just under 150 members. I continue to invite all new members as they join the society but the take-up is generally slow. Message count at this time is quite low, this follows a recent and unfortunate incident where one member used the Yahoo Group to openly insult others on what is essentially an open forum, a shame that the facility has been misused by the actions of a couple of idiots! Users need to realise that the Yahoo Group has overseas members as well! This kind of behaviour will not be tolerated, and has resulted in a member being banned! Such practice not only harms the reputation of the RNARS, it also has potentially serious legal implications!

Perhaps a timely reminder that we should **CHECK** what we have written and to **WHOM** before hitting the **SEND** button, a simple case of **Think Twice and Send Once** My thanks to those who take time to submit articles, especially Colin GM6HGW, who regularly finds items of interest and forwards them to me. Frequent thanks come from some of our overseas members for the eNews, this makes the job worthwhile.

That concludes this report.

Dave Lacey

G4JBE # 0434

RNARS Yahoo Group

d. **Web Site Manager (G3ZDF)**

Bob Jennings G3NXV who hosted our website free of charge for a number of years went SK last year. The company that hosted Bob's sites – Shine Systems offered to host our site free of charge. Shine Systems is owned by two brothers who are licensed amateurs. We are grateful to them.

Our website has been added to Royal Naval Research Archive website which is described as: "*A non-profit virtual museum hosting a variety of RN historical web pages and articles. Now included in the British Library's Web Archiving Programme. Its purpose is to collect, preserve and give permanent access to key UK websites for future generations.*"

We have set up a Twitter account @RNARSHQ. You can either follow it on Twitter or see what we are posting on the RNARS Home page.

As always I would love to have comments or suggestions about the site.

Joe G3ZDF Webmaster

e. **Area Rep Co-ordinator (G4DIU)**

Wally reported that the number of Area Reps had decreased and no replacements were forthcoming. This meant that the rallies we could be represented at had also decreased. He said he was still trying to get in touch with some of the original Area Reps but whether through age or changes of email address he was having

difficulty contacting them.

Wally G4DIU

f. **Newsletter Editor** (GM6HGW)

As editor of the Newsletter I have only asked three things of the membership, support, articles and if you have a drip, contact me directly in the first instance.

Sadly, the third request has been ignored many time during the nine years I have been editor and adverse comments posted and circulated via the RNARS Yahoo Group and e-mail reflector. For those not ofay with the Yahoo Group, it is a facility that allows one e-mail to be circulated or read by all the membership who have subscribed to the system.

One member has continually used the facility to post remarks which should have been sent privately to individuals, not circulated for all to see. One example occurred after he represented the society at a rally and took details and payment from a new member. Some weeks passed and the new member had not received their Newsletter by e-mail or received his membership documentation. The person who had signed up the perspective member, rather than contact the Membership Secretary and myself privately, sent an e-mail via the Yahoo system for all to read implying that the Membership Secretary and I weren't doing our jobs to his satisfaction.

I replied directly by private e-mail to which I received a reply that the missing documentation had been found in his car; he'd just forgotten to post it.

Accordingly, I asked him to relate the same via the Yahoo system so that others might be aware that the named officers of the society might be cleared of the unwarranted accusation, this didn't happen; he doesn't like to lose face or apologise. This member has a long-established habit of failing to answer e-mails when he has erred and disappears below the horizon until the storm blows over. This is just one of many, many examples of this member's erratic behaviour, more examples can be provided upon request.

Earlier this year I tendered my resignation as editor and from the society after another member used the Yahoo Group to openly vent a number of issues against me. I was talked out of my resignation by several very supportive members.

In recent months, the same member who openly criticized the Membership Secretary and myself, posted an extremely derogatory and offensive remark on

the Yahoo Group which decorum dictates I do not repeat here. Although not named, it was fairly obvious he was inferring the Data Comm's manager and myself. Such is the nature of the statement, I took legal advice and to date have not ruled out this course of action.

I did not continue the argument via an open forum, but sent a private e-mail asking the member to name the inferred individuals, and if I were one, to supply an apology, and I would guarantee the matter closed; an offer that is still on the table even at this late stage. I also copied the Chairman and General Secretary into the correspondence. To date, no apology has been offered to the un-named individuals and once again the member concerned has refused to answer further e-mails; doing his norm; after throwing the primed grenade, has ducked down and disappeared below the parapet. He simply refuses to take personal responsibility for his immature and sometimes very offensive remarks.

I and the other inferred member raised the matter with the General Secretary and it was placed on the agenda of the committee meeting held on the 7th September for consideration under section three of our constitution; membership; where there is provision for a member to be expelled should their behaviour fall short of that expected.

I and the other inferred member provided copies of all correspondence well in advance of the meeting and the matter was debated at great length. One proposal was that a sub-committee be set up to start an investigation, of which there is no reference to in the constitution. It's my view that the issue before the committee was very clear, by virtue of the printed evidence, all that would be required was for the errant member to be called before the committee on the 7th to explain his comments followed by a committee vote. It would now appear that this issue will not be settled until after the AGM and probably following the next committee meeting in November.

As a consequence of the lack of support and further unnecessary delays, I once again find myself questioning my future membership of the society; and as already stated, I am still considering legal action to resolve and draw a line under this sad affair. My reluctance to take such action is how this might reflect upon the society, wider membership and Royal Navy, such was the tone of the extremely nasty and derogatory remark that started this episode.

In closing, I'd sincerely like to thank the vast majority of members who have supported me as editor, far too many to mention, but you'll all know who you are; sincerely, I thank you all.

Colin Topping

RNARS No 1870

g. **Awards Manager (G4KJD)**

Herewith the list of claims for the period in question.

Another poor turn out!

The awards issued have been as follows:-

World Wide Award – No Applications.

International Navy Award – UA9YF.

Mercury Award – CU3AA, I5EFO

Kaleidoscope Award – No Applications.

Hampshire County Award – No Applications.

BITs Award – No Applications.

Ian Pitkin/G4KJD

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13. Election of officers.

The following offer themselves for re-election:

- a. Chairman – David Firth 2E0GLL
- b. Treasurer - Adrian Mori 2E0JVM
- c. Secretary – Joe Kirk G3ZDF
- d. Membership Secretary –Marc Litchman G0TOC

No other candidates were proposed and the officers were re-elected unanimously.

14. Election of new Committee for 2017/2018.

The following committee members have indicated their willingness to remain as members of the Committee and offer themselves for re-election

- a. Dave Lacey G4JBE
- b. Colin Topping (GM6HGW)
- c. Doug Bowen G0MIU
- d. Wally Walker G4DIU
- e. Marc Litchman G0TOC

No other candidates were proposed and the committee members were re-elected unanimously

15. Election of Auditors

The current auditor was agreed unanimously.

16. Date of next AGM

13th October 2018 at 14.00 in the WO & SRs Mess, HMS Collingwood.

The Meeting closed at 15.30.