

RLSS Surrey Branch

58th Annual General Meeting

Sunday 8th March 2015 @ 6pm

Watermill Inn, Dorking

Present	Graham Wilson, Gail Moore, Rowena Moore, Lucy Haines, Clive Stevens, Margaret Bradley, Sue Webb, Charlotte Harmer								
Apologies	Alison Angiolini, Jacky Arnold, Dee Gladden, Ben Horne, Jessica Constable, Jack Constable, Esther Purdy, Margaret Cook, Tina Marley, Carol Jull, Karen Wheatley, Jane Christie, Kate Doyle, Cathy Atkins								
Announcement	The Chair began the meeting by apologizing for the failure of both himself and the Administrator to convene an AGM in March/April 2014. This was due to exceptional family circumstances. He explained that the Executive Committee had agreed that the best course of action was to convene one now and for three of the roles to be filled for one year rather than two to improve succession planning in the future.								
Minutes of the AGM 14th April 2013	These were not available for the meeting to consider.								
Matters Arising	Therefore there were no matters arising to report.								
Annual Reports Chair	The Chair presented his summary of the year (available with these minutes), including the report of the BLC, financial performance information, and a summary of the awards processed by the Branch.								
BLC	Addressed above.								
Awards	Addressed above.								
Finance	Addressed above.								
Installation of New President	Clive Stevens handed the badge of office to Lucy Haines.								
Election of Officers	All officers had indicated their willingness to stand for a further term. There had been only one expression of interest in a particular role (lifeguard liaison), however the individual concerned had withdrawn from the election of officers at the last minute, nevertheless offering to volunteer in the future. It was pointed out that, should he come to a future EC meeting, he could be co-opted until the next AGM. There being no contended posts, no election was necessary. A full list of the Executives is appended.								
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Any other business	1 Sue Webb expressed an interest in liaising with Schools. [GW & SW to discuss offline.]								

- 2 Charlotte Harmer expressed concerns that S&S awards are sometimes appearing with the LS date on them rather than the date of completion of the respective elements. [GW to raise with River House.]
- 3 Lucy Haines raised the need for nominations for the Society's Honours.
- 4 Lucy Haines raised the need for volunteers for the Baby and Toddler event
- 5 Charlotte Harmer asked for details of the Emergency Response qualification for open water activities. [AA to respond.]

The meeting closed at 7:40pm and members remained to chat informally - and finish off as many of the sandwiches as they could manage.