Calne Music and Arts Festival 2016 AGM Tuesday January 19th 7.30 Marden House

The AGM was opened by The President – Carole Browne who welcomed everyone.

Apologies: Rosie Addington, David Bowker-Praed.

Present:_Carole Browne, Hilary Wright, Adrian Wright, Gordon Burns, Anne Davey, Paul Woodman, Joan Woodman, Glenis Ansell, David Gillet, Ann Seymeur, Lesley Hunt.

Minutes: These were passed, Proposed Hilary

Seconded Gordon.

Matters Arising:

- a) This year's Bursary was awarded to Matthew Powell, J.B.S. a young trumpet player. He received the bursary at the Festival Prize-giving in Oct. 2015. It will be used to pay for lessons.
- b) Insurance Namely that artists are advised to insure their own art work as we are not insured for theft of or damage to art work, but we are insured if there is an accident with a painting or piece of art work and it causes damage to the hall or causes injury to a person.

Treasurer's Report:

Paul reported that the 2015 festival had been a good financial success. The Friends contributions were down on last year but the sponsorship money was up by a considerable amount to a new total of £2500. The committee paid thanks to the hard work Robert McNaughton and Simon parker had done to gain more sponsors.

The ticket sales were up by just over £1000. It was felt that this was due to a busy and successful publicity drive. Shout Out Calne, the web-site, Twitter and Mail Chimp were all good technology aids to publicity. The publicity committee were thanked for their hard work – Hilary, Adrian and Carole. Thanks also to Michelle Grant.

The Art Exhibition returned less revenue but the catering and bar made a profit of £423.

This year Paul was able to claim for 2 years from HMRC and a healthy £1022 came our way. The Savings deposit a/c stays the same.

Paul reported that there had been another fraud withdrawal from the a/c on December 31^{st} . It was £380.83 to Scottish Power. Paul spotted it immediately , the bank investigated and repaid the money. Thanks Paul!

The overall cost of performers and ticket sales made a profit of £1000 and £780 less was paid for publicity this year.

The insurance payment was up due to the extra Art Insurance. The Royalties paid is always variable. A donation was given to Matthew Powell, Trumpeter (£175).

Summing up Paul once again reported a great year – after a deficit of £1,319.55 last year a profit of £4,600 was made this year – leaving a healthy surplus of £3399.53 towards next year's programme.

CMAF total assets are £14,539.65.- inclusive of £4770.45- money held on CCLA deposit a/c gaining a small interest at 0.45% of £21.90 this year.

The Annual accounts were signed off by David Hubbard and the committee passed on their many thanks.

The accounts were accepted Proposed Joan Woodman Seconded Anne Davey.

Art Director's Report

Gordon reported that the Art Exhibition had been successful again but not as good as previous years. There were 234 submissions this year (35 less paintings than last year) Fewer paintings sold - 16 about 7%. (In previous years 21 and 32 sales). Also the value of the Art sold is going down, £1490 this year. (£1933 and £1979 in previous years.) Thus the commission is less. Comments were good and the work was considered to be of a high standard.

There was a profit of £893 from the exhibition and the footfall was around 310.

Awards – given at the finale –

Public Vote Lydia Graham – 3D Illusions £100

John Harris – Landscape £50

Sandy Sayer – Erupting Volcano £25. The prize money has been increased – before £75, £15, £10. Skylight Publishing Award – Davina Kemble

Children's Art: 9 Primary Schools exhibited. We were pleased to receive work from Springfield,s School. All a good standard. Gill and David Reeves were thanked for judging the competition and for sponsoring two of the four prizes.

Gordon thanked all who had helped with the Atrt exhibitions especially Lydia and Mick Graham, David Bowker Praed and Lesley Hunt.

Gordon re-iterated his need for someone to take over the Art Directors role as he has too many work commitments. A new person will need good technology skills and an ability to do spreadsheets comfortably. Sandy Sayer has volunteered to help along with David Bowker Praed.

Carole thanked all for their hard work.

The report was accepted Proposer Glenis Ansell Seconded Carole Browne.

Chairman's Report:

Glenis reported that the 2015 Festival celebrated talent. She reported on the success of David White's evening which had revised memories and insight into the early years of the festival. It also served as a reminder of hwta has been achieved. The success she acknowledged was the result of a hard working committee. Glenis thanked our sponsors 'in particular Chilvester Finance. Glenis expressed her hope for a future event in the Chapel at Bowood and was pleased we have an event with Calne Choral. Glenis is to step aside as Chairman but will be staying on the committee. She thanked the Festival Friends who loyally support the Festival and hoped we would find more. Glenis said she had enjoyed her time as Chairman and hoped her successor would have as much fun. Carole thanked Glenis for all her hard work and her invaluable connection to the Town Council.

Nominations:

Ann Seymour has volunteered Proposed Joan Woodman Seconded Hilary Wright.

Election of Committee

All the committee has agreed to stay.

Carole Browne, Glenis Ansell, Lesley Hunt, Paul Woodman, Anne Davey, Simon Parker, Gordon Burns, Joan Woodman, Peter Grant, Hilary Wright, Adrian Wright.

Glenis proposed that the committee should be re-elected on block.

Seconded Paul Woodman.

AOB.

David Gillett reported that Calne Choral is delighted to be back as part of the Festival. A vote had been taken and the whole choir had voted to join again.

The meeting closed at 8-15 with a big thanks to Carole Browne – Madam President.