

## Annual General Meeting Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1925.

Present:-M<sup>r</sup> J Lohead in the chair and fifty members.

The minutes of last Annual Autumn Meeting were read and adopted.

The financial statement was presented by M<sup>r</sup> Robson, the Treasurer who explained the various items. M<sup>r</sup> Ja<sup>s</sup> Kershaw moved that adoption of the Balance Sheet and in doing so mentioned the large amount of work done by the Treasurer, also the House Secretary; this was seconded by M<sup>r</sup> H Slatter and carried unanimously; and M<sup>r</sup> Robson acknowledged.

M<sup>r</sup> F L Eaton moved that the best thanks of the members be given to Messrs Ja<sup>s</sup> Kershaw and J M Williamson for their valuable services as Auditors; seconded by M<sup>r</sup> A Lees and M<sup>r</sup> Kershaw replied on behalf of the Auditors.

The Secretary read his Annual Report of the work done on the Course, also the work done by the various Committees during the past year. M<sup>r</sup> J F Widdop proposed the adoption of the Report and in doing so stated that the Report was a very comprehensive one, and that he moved that the best thanks of the meeting be given to M<sup>r</sup> Gibson for his work during the past Season; this was seconded by M<sup>r</sup> R Whitworth and carried and the Secretary acknowledged.

The Captain stated that he greatly appreciated the good fellowship of the members and that it was a pleasure to serve as Captain.

M<sup>r</sup> Lohead then introduced the question of freeing the Cattle from the Course and explained the position as regards Gledhill and the Estate; and asked for confirmation of the action of the Committee in reference to the tentative arrangement with the Farmer and Estate.

M<sup>r</sup> A Lees proposed that the action of the Committee be approved and that it was necessary to get the land direct, M<sup>r</sup> E Raines seconded and M<sup>r</sup> F Moss supported and it was carried unanimously. M<sup>r</sup> F Moss moved and M<sup>r</sup> W H Andrew seconded, that the Sub-Committee consisting of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Lohead, Slatter and Gibson be thanked for their efforts in the above connection and this was carried and M<sup>r</sup> Lohead acknowledged.

The Captain then read particulars of three suggested schemes for the raising of funds to pay off the compensation to the Farmer, pay for furniture, new lockers, decorations and the loss on last year as follows: No 1. To raise a loan bearing 6% interest and to create a sinking fund and pay off a certain amount each year. No 2. To ask for donations and try to raise £350 in this way and the remainder by some other method. No 3. To increase the subscription, also obtain donations of £5/5/-, and £2/12/6, such donations made by members to receive a rebate of £1/1/- and 10/6 each year for six years. M<sup>r</sup> Moss, M<sup>r</sup> W H Andrew, and M<sup>r</sup> R Bennett introduce the above schemes and considerable discussion took place, many of the members took part. At this stage, the Captain said that he would like to test the feeling of the meeting in regard to the raising of subscriptions and this was put and the meeting, by a large majority declared against the raising of subscriptions.

M<sup>r</sup> E P Poole suggested that the question might be referred back to the Committee to see if it was possible to embody the suggestions in one scheme. M<sup>r</sup> R Wood moved and M<sup>r</sup> R Bennett seconded that the Committee consider and draw up a scheme to be submitted to the members at Special

General Meeting to be called by circular, to consider and settle.

The Captain mentioned that M<sup>r</sup> J C Payne has presented a Silver Bowl for competition and moved that a vote of thanks be given to him for his generosity, this was seconded by M<sup>r</sup> Boardman and carried.

The Captain announced that there had been a tie in the Competition held that day as follows: D W Warburton & J H Barratt, J F Rushworth and H Swallow.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Captain for presiding.

**James Lohead.**

**3/10/25.**