

**BRADFORD FENCING CLUB**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY NOVEMBER 9th 2021 19.15**  
**The Lower Gym, Thornton Rec.**  
**MINUTES**

Apologies. Alice, Pete.

Present: Tim Noble, Paul Halliday, Kat Robinson, Matt Stapleton, Mariam Rashid, Will Lawrance.

The minutes of the last AGM 6.10.2020 (zoom) were accepted.

Chairman's report.

Our decision to keep our activities through lockdown and emerging from it small, and close, paid off.

Now we need to engage with fencers/members/ex-members who aren't at present attending the club, to find out how to bring them back in and make them welcome.

We have just completed one beginners course, and start the next one next week.

Hopefully these will bring in some new members.

Paul is keen to find someone who actually likes using social media to make a better job of curating the club facebook page. This needs regular input to keep it moving, whereas the website is a source of information – as long as that is accurate and relevant, it doesn't need to be fresh.

So – a new Social Media Officer? Mariam volunteered – Paul will add her to administer the fb page.

Treasurer's report.

Simply – opening balance £403.10

Income £172.00 7 current memberships, 2 from last year, and a donation from Correnna Dcaccia who moved to York.

Expenditure £40.00 to BF

Closing balance £535.10 Alice's membership has gone in since then.

Secretary's report.

Last AGM, 6.10.2020, was on zoom.

All fencing stopped March 17 2020.

Started again May 25 2021.

In between those dates zoom meetings were held and BF guidelines followed to enable our return.

Beginners began Sept 14 for a shortened, 8-week course, which has just finished, with a promisingly keen number of fencers. (5)

A surprisingly long waiting list built up during lockdown means a full course due to start next week, and an almost-full course for Feb next year.

Subscriptions – it was decided to keep them at £10, as reserves are healthy and only increased over lockdown.

Election of Officers.

The current officers are willing to stay on, no-one put themselves forward to replace any of them.

Mariam declared herself willing to join the committee as a replacement for Vyom who is now at Uni.

Paul and Tim both expressed thanks to Kat for her reliable service as Treasurer, work that is valuable and valued.