

Minutes of the Annual General meeting of The Marlow Players 29th June 2021

This Meeting was held virtually via Zoom, Covid restrictions being still in place

Present: Andrew Stafford , President, Chairman and Secretary
Brian Couling, Treasurer,
Hilary Cox, Membership Secretary
Gloria Kendrick-Hurst, Alison Edwards, Committee members
Jossy Pearce, Max Sasim, Wendy Gammond, Olive Smith.

No apologies received.

1. The Minutes of the previous AGM had been published on the website and were accepted as a true record.

2. President and Chairman's address. Andrew offered thanks to the Committee and those who had helped to provide activities, dramatic and social during the year: a summary of these was provided. The full text is published on the website.

3. Treasurer's Report: Brian Couling presented a sheet with income and expenditure for the last two years. There had been no income, and outgoings, for expenditure on a Zoom account, Insurance and materials for the aborted production ment we had a loss of just over £1200. this still left our finances very healthy with a balance of over £15,000. The balance sheet will be made available to members on request, but is not published on the website.

4. The Anderson Award: there were two nominations: Brian Couling (nominated by Alison Edwards) and Andrew Stafford (nominated by Jossy Pearce). The award was made to Brian Couling

5. The Backstage Award was made to Andy Scott (nominated by Andrew Stafford)

6. Committee 2021-22: All existing Officers and members present were happy to continue and this was accepted *nem con* .Jossy Pearce was invited to join the Committee and was happy to do so.

7. Future programme:

a) Alfresco theatre Friday 2nd July:

i) Gloria and Brian would meet with Debbie of the Alfresco group on Wednesday 30th June at 2 pm.

ii) All actors to complete Lateral Flow test ,self assessment and produce screen shot of result.

iii) Brian has an NHS code for the Society and there will be a manual list at the entrance for audience

iv) The organisation will provide the sound system and microphones.

v) Get in at 12:20 pm

b) 25th September at Liston Hall: New Murder Mystery (written by AHS)

i) We will ask for volunteers rather than hold auditions

ii) Scripts out when Andrew has finished writing and then typing onto screen.

iii) There are a lot of Sound Effects

iv) Advertising: usual outlets once we are sure it can go ahead.

c) Future possibilities once we can use the Shelley Theatre:

Suggestions were invited:

i) 2 One Act plays from the ones we had read this year

ii) A full length play: Noel Coward? Oscar Wilde (Lady Windermere's Fan)

AOB: Jossy needs a copy of the Ice Cold Manner script in Word:

We will hold a final rehearsal 7:45 in Gloria's garden.

The meeting finished at 9:00 pm.