WHITEWATER VALLEY WINE SOCIETY
Annual General Meeting
14th February 2024

The Meeting began at 7.56pm.

Apologies for Absence: J. Buisson, P. Morrison, J. Sellwood, R. Hamilton, S. Hamshere, D. Palmer, D. Warner, B. and B. Mullins, B. John, T. and J. Wallis, P. O'Donnell.

Minutes of AGM 2023: These were approved as being a true record and accepted by Members.
Proposed by: Wishav Goel ; Seconded by: Andy Shadbolt

Matters Arising: None

Chairperson's Report:
Keith Cooper referred Members to his report already circulated, and copies available. He was delighted to be able to report that the Society had got back to full strength in the 2023-4 year, unlike many others that had not resumed meetings after Covid. He summarised the world-wide coverage of our tastings and range of presenters. He thanked Committee members for their help and support and that all had agreed to continue for another year. Next year Treasurer and Food Cordinating Roles will be vacant and those interested invited to volunteer.

Treasurer's Report:
Richard Ford also referred to the circulated report. Last year there were 12 as opposed to 8 events for the previous year. Surplus funds for the year were £850.00. In March 2023 there were 50 Members and 16 more joined during the year. Attendance has been generally consistent and when orders for wine have been possible [6 meetings] £10,400 worth of wine was delivered! More speakers have been paid fees this year but only 1 meeting had a deficit fund-wise. Therefore funds are still in surplus. To further reduce surpluses it is suggested that Membership Annual Subscription fees be reduced for this year only from £12.50 to £5.00. New members joining will be charged £15.00, to cover increased cost of box of glasses but if they join after 1st September that year they will not be expected to pay the annual subscription the following year.

Acceptance of Accounts:
Proposed by: B. Johnson ; Seconded by: D. Sequira

Election of Officers:

- Keith Cooper is offering to stand as Chairperson
  Proposed by: D. Sequira Seconded by: A. Dudley
- Barbara Jones is offering to stand as Secretary
  Proposed by: R. Ford Seconded by: K Pickworth
- Richard Ford is offering to stand as Treasurer
  Proposed by: P. Griffiths Seconded by: B. Jones
- Nesta Downey is offering to stand as Committee Member
  Proposed by: N. Downey Seconded by: C. Gibbons
- Clive Gibbons is offering to stand as Committee Member
  Proposed by: I. Johnson Seconded by: B. John
- Andy Shadbolt is offering to stand as Committee Member
  Proposed by: A Redding Seconded by: K.Cooper

No other nominations having been received, these nominations were carried by members as one vote and duly elected.

- Proposed by: G. Dragon Seconded by: A. Goel

The Meeting closed at 8.12pm.