



## Society of Recorder Players - Nottinghamshire

Annual General Meeting: Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.

Venue: AV Room, Minster Centre, Southwell.

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Tricia Moores (secretary), Richard Tanner & Gwen Bragg.

### 2. Minutes and matters arising from the 2011 AGM held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2011

There were no minutes from 2011.

The action was to arrange an SRP technique workshop. This has been arranged for 26 January 2013.

### 3. Committee reports

#### Sarah Allen, Chair

I'd like to thank some people for their contribution in keeping the branch activities running:

- Terry for the time he gives to us every month providing great music to play and for his entertaining and informative sessions.
- Allyn for keep an eye on our accounts
- Tricia for arranging our venues, organising our visiting conductors and communicating all our messages.
- Bridget for organising all our refreshments
- Tessa for hosting our 75<sup>th</sup> birthday party and organising our informal 'join in' concert in Laxton. Photos are in our branch 'photo bucket account':  
<http://photobucket.com/>  
username: NottsSRP  
password: f1pple
- Judy for organising our birthday cake.

Can I encourage everyone to think about joining the committee? Some long standing members have stepped down, and the others won't go on forever. We meet just 3 times a year...and there will be friendly help and support for anyone who would like to give it a try.

#### Allyn Richardson, Treasurer

1. Membership to the national SRP is increasing in 2012/13 by 10% (following last year's increase of 5%). The committee have agreed the following
  - a. An increase to Notts branch subscription to £32 of which £22 goes to SRP for Recorder Magazine/Youth Recorder Orchestra/Workshops/admin etc.
  - b. Schools group members will have their subscription reduced by £5 to recognise the work they do to promote the recorder in schools and to offset some of their travel costs.
  - c. An increase to visitors fees by 50p to £3.50
  - d. An increase visiting students fees by 10p to £1.10

2. The schools group money is now ring fenced for them to use as they wish for music and travel expenses.
3. There is still some Gift Aid still to be reclaimed: Dick Pyper of the national SRP committee is dealing with this on our behalf and is currently awaiting a response from HMRC.
4. We have agreed to donate the Christmas raffle money each year to the Walter Bergman fund

The summary of accounts was accepted by those present.

### **Tricia Moores, Secretary**

- The branch has been running steadily for the last year.
- It is good to see a Notts person, not only on the national committee, but chairing it.
- We had a pastoral visit by Colin Touchin, a highly respected figure in the recorder world. The attendance numbers were low – would a different time of year be more useful?
- It is super to see more diversification in our activities, eg madrigal singing.
- Thanks to Margaret Small for her donated recorder music last month. We've had £30 in donations from players.
- A personal thank you for the support offered to me by other committee members and players.

### **Terry Gill, Musical Director**

I still count it as a privilege to be able to conduct the branch. The musical standard is high and sight reading in particular has been commented on favourably by visiting conductors. I will continue to try to provide a varied programme of music to suit as wide a range of tastes and abilities as I can. As I have said on previous occasions the group is very fortunate to have its own 'in house' composer in the shape of Nick Wynne.

I thank the branch for their continued support and enthusiasm.

## **5. Election of officers and new committee members**

Tricia Moores (former Secretary), resigned from the committee.

Chair: Sarah Allen  
Treasurer: Allyn Richardson  
Secretary: vacant

Committee: Nick Wynne proposed Terry Gill, seconded by Tessa Rolph duly elected.  
No other nominations.

Sincere thanks to Judy Gees (outgoing committee member) and Tricia Moores (outgoing secretary) for their sterling work over several years.

## **6. Programmes and concerts for the 2012/13 season**

We have no confirmed concerts but can arrange something if there is enough interest. We need to be sure we have enough people available to cover all the parts if we want to do a concert. In the past, people dropping out at the last minute have caused some difficulties for the Musical Director.

## **7. Schools ensemble**

Presented by Patsy Fletcher:

There are 12 members of the schools group now. Monthly rehearsals take place at the home of Mildred Penfold. Thank you Mildred.

During the last academic year, we have played in 18 schools and 4 care homes.

The programme for schools have been 'Around the World', 'the Tudors' and one for infant schools. For the Care Homes we have different programmes including a Christmas one.

Thanks to Alan Smith we now have a PowerPoint presentation to accompany each of the programmes. Alan is the Musical Director. He arranges many of the pieces we play and keeps us in order.

The children enjoy seeing and hearing the variety of recorders and, thanks to Richard Tanner, we have a contra bass and a great bass as well as the more usual sized instruments.

Concerts last about 40 minutes and Patsy Fletcher organises the venues. Schools are given a questionnaire which most return and some give a donation.  
Thanks to everyone who helps to make the group run smoothly.

## **8. Next meeting**

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2013.