



# Mountaineering Scotland

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## Annual General Meeting

Glenmore Lodge - 24 November 2018

### Draft minutes of the meeting

The Chair, Mike Watson, declared the meeting open at 11.45am on Saturday 24 November and welcomed members (a list of individual members and affiliated clubs' representatives who registered at the meeting is in the attached Registration List). The Chair noted formally the recent passing of David Batty, President of the Munro Society and expressed condolences on behalf of Mountaineering Scotland to his friends, family and colleagues.

The Chair also noted apologies from:

- Steve Gough, Director
- Kevin Howett, Staff
- Mike Farrel, Howdens,
- Mike Dales
- Alan McCaffery
- Henry Thomson
- Stonehaven Mountaineering Club
- Dundee University Rucksack Club
- 45 Degrees Mountaineering Club

#### a) Roll call and appointment of tellers:

At the request of the Chair, the Company Secretary appointed Jane Anderson and Helen Gestwicki.

#### b) The approval of the minutes of the previous AGM and of any subsequent EGM:

The meeting unanimously approved the resolution.

#### c) The receipt of such reports as the Board may consider appropriate to bring before the AGM for approval or information:

The Chair referred to the Annual Report published in the August edition of Scottish Mountaineer magazine and on the Mountaineering Scotland website.

#### d) The receipt of the annual accounts and reports:

The Treasurer presented the financial report and referred to extracts from the Financial Statements. She said 2017-18 had been a successful year for Mountaineering Scotland with a surplus of £42,070 and reserves of £219k. Future commitments included the continuing

employment of a full time Access and Conservation Officer and also investment to renovate the office.

As well as membership subscriptions and donations, external funding has been gratefully received from a number of other organisations which has supported the activities of the company. Particular thanks to were noted to sportscotland, British Mountaineering Council, Scottish Mountaineering Trust Mountain Training Scotland, and The Munro Society.

Graeme Morrison (Ferranti MC) welcomed the availability of the investment agreement with sportscotland on the website and hoped that the influence of sportscotland was limited to those areas receiving direct investment. He asked whether the board were satisfied that there is a distinction between activities funded through membership subscription and those funded by sportscotland.

MW confirmed that the board were satisfied that the financial monitoring procedures were robust and the allocation of external funding could be tracked back to specific activities. JC also added that the majority of the funding from sportscotland was from the national lottery and not from the Scottish Government budget.

**e) The fixing of members' annual subscriptions:**

The Chair introduced the motion to motion to add £2 to the membership subscriptions for all individual and club membership categories to incorporate personal accident insurance into the membership package. This would apply from 1 April 2019.

Stuart Younie (CEO and Company Secretary) explained the voting process which had been discussed and agreed with the Company's legal advisors Harper MacLeod prior to the AGM. Clubs wishing to split the allocation of their block votes were asked to record these on the forms provided and hand them to one of the appointed tellers at the beginning of the voting process. Votes would then be taken for and against the motion starting with individual votes and then club block votes in ascending order. These votes would then be added to the proxy votes submitted prior to the meeting to provide the final results.

Following the vote, the results were declared as 254 votes for and 351 votes against the motion.

**f) The election of the President, Treasurer and Board members:**

Under Article of Association 6.5, and in the absence of competing nominations, there were 8 directors eligible to serve and continue until the 2019 AGM without the need for a vote: President: Mike Watson; Treasurer Jennifer Cardno; Directors: Jonathan Binny, Steve Gough, David Montieth, Jo Dytch, Kat Jones and Avril Gall. None were challenged and all will continue until the 2019 AGM.

Due to the resignation of Chris Todd as Director for Access & Conservation, one vacancy was available for which two members were nominated:

- Ron Neville – nominated by the Board of Mountaineering Scotland
- David Gibson – nominated by Alex Winter on behalf of The Grampian Club

The Chair invited both candidates to deliver a short presentation to the floor outlining their relevant experience in relation to the position and how they could support the work of Mountaineering Scotland.

Following the vote, the results were declared as 276 votes for Ron Neville and 199 votes for David Gibson. Ron Neville was duly appointed to the position of Director for Access and Conservation.

**g) The consideration of and taking of decisions on any duly notified proposals for the adoption of any new policies or the amendment or revocation of any existing policies:**

There was no business tabled under this item.

**h) Any other competent business:**

There was no business tabled under this item.

**Vote of thanks**

The Chair then thanked the following for their support during the year: sportscotland; Glenmore Lodge, the National Outdoor Training Centre; Mountain Training UK / Scotland; Scottish Mountaineering Trust; Herald and Times Group Magazines; St John Scotland; Scottish Mountain Rescue; Association of Mountaineering Instructors; The BMC; Mountain Aid; Tiso, Cotswold Outdoor and Craigdon Mountain Sports; The Munro Society; Walkhighlands; ABC Training Trust; Scottish Climbing Wall Network; EICA; Ratho & TCA Glasgow.

The Chair also thanked the following supporters and volunteers: Liz Smith MSP; Scott Forsyth; John Donaldson; Dave Gordon; John Leftley; John Irving, and the sponsors of the ClimbScotland Festival: Geckotech Solutions; Clip'n'Climb at EICA; Psychi; Entre-Prises.

The chair then recorded his thanks to members for their support; magazine contributions; acting at competitions; donations; student training weekends; and acting as trustees. He also thanked staff and elected volunteers for their work.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting.

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## List of attendees

Firstname	Surname	Type	Club Name
Shaukat	Ali	Club	Boots and Beards
Jane	Anderson	Staff	
Neil	Anderson	Club	Cioch Mountaineering Club
Nav	Bakhsh	Club	Boots and Beards
Danny	Barden	Individual	
Jonathan	Binny	Staff	
Davie	Black	Staff	
Inken	Blunk	Club	Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club
Ali	Borthwick	Club	Edinburgh JMCS
Simon	Brill	Individual	
Moira	BROADHEAD	Club	Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club
Kashif	Butt	Club	Boots and Beards
Jane	Campbell Morrison	Individual	
Jennifer	Cardno	Staff	
Nigel	Clark	Individual	
Calum	Craigie	Club	Cioch Mountaineering Club
Richard	Cross	Individual	
David	Currie	Club	Cioch Mountaineering Club
Melanie	de Visser	Club	Aberdeen University Wilderness and Expedition Medicine Society
Marj	Donaldson	Individual	
Joanna	Dytch	Staff	MCoFS Test Club
Andrea	Finkel-Gates	Individual	
Robin	Forrest	Club	Inverness Mountaineering Club
Simon	Fraser	Club	Lochaber Mountaineering Club
Avril	Gall	Staff	
Helen	Gestwicki	Staff	
David	Gibson	Individual	
Christine	Gordon	Club	Gryffe Hillwalking club

Stephen	Gough	Staff	
Megan	Griffiths	Guest	
Neil	Guthrie	Individual	
Alistair	Hamilton	Individual	
Richard	Hartland	Club	Highland Hillwalking Club
Sue	Haysom	Club	Edinburgh Ski Touring Club
Jean	hunter	Club	Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club
Simon	Jacyna	Club	Moray Mountaineering Club
Andrew M	JAMES	Club	Scottish Mountaineering Club, Inverness Mountaineering Club
Usman	Javed	Club	Boots and Beards
Alistair	Jeffer	Club	Moray Mountaineering Club
Kat	Jones	Staff	
Nick	Kempe	Individual	
Asif	Khan	Club	Boots and Beards
Chris	Kirk	Individual	
Beryl	Leatherland	Club	Edinburgh JMCS
Catherine	Lee	Club	East Kilbride Mountaineering Club
John	Leftley	Individual	
Gary	Legg	Individual	
Alan	Mackay	Individual	
Katie	Marwick	Club	Carn Dearg Mountaineering Club
Michael	McAnenay	Club	Lomond Mountaineering Club
Calum	McBain	Staff	
Janet	McGregor	Club	Galloway Mountaineering Club
Robert	McKenzie	Staff	
David	Monteith	Staff	
Amanda	Morgan	Club	An Teallach Mountaineering Club
Heather	Morning	Staff	AMI (Scotland), Scottish Mountaineering Club
Dave	Morris	Individual	
Graeme	Morrison	Club	Ferranti Mountaineering Club

Lynne	Murray	Club	Argyll Mountaineering Club
Ron	Neville	Club	Grampian Club
Karen	O Hara	Individual	Blantyre Hillwalking Club
Katrina	Patrick	Club	Dundee Mountain Club
Bob	Reid	Individual	Scottish Mountaineering Club
Neil	Reid	Staff	
John	Rosenfield	Individual	
Catriona	Scriven	Club	Glasgow Ski Touring Club
Nigel	Scriven	Club	Glasgow Ski Touring Club
Chris	Selley	Club	Cioch Mountaineering Club
Brian	Shackleton	Club	Scottish Mountaineering Club, Ferranti Mountaineering Club
Jon	Shutt	Club	Carn Dearg Mountaineering Club
Lisa	Silver	Club	Scottish Mountaineering Club
Alice	Simons	Individual	
Tim	Simons	Individual	
Jamie	Smith	Club	Scottish Hillwalking & Activities Group
Frank	Souter	Club	An Teallach Mountaineering Club
Mary	Stewart	Individual	Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club
Kenneth	Thomson	Individual	Cairngorm Club
Alistair	Todd	Staff	
Alan	Walker	Club	Jacobites Mountaineering Club, Scottish Mountaineering Club
Michael L	WATSON	Club	Scottish Mountaineering Club
Ian	Wattie	Individual	
Myra	Wattie	Individual	
Dave	Webster	Individual	
Kees	Witte	Club	Cairngorm Club
Stuart	Younie	Staff	