

Minutes of the 1998 CUWS AGM

Present:

Martin Atherton
Paul Mawdsley
Michael Wells
Tim Winchcombe
Alan Bain
Robert Hawkins
Elizabeth Blackburn
Steven Whitehouse

Reports on Events

Packet Station is to be located in the Department of Engineering thanks to the help of Dr. Holburn. On the hardware side, so far the hard disk has failed on the computer hampering progress. A TNC is required which will cost L100 or so, also an antenna for between L50 and L60.

Membership Fee

There is a jar at the shack for money. Keen users might feel it appropriate to make a contribution to this.

Proposed change:

Non transmitting member pays one pound per year
Transmitting member pays five pounds per year

In either case, after paying for two years membership commutes to life membership and no further subs are due.

It was agreed that the standing orders should be amended to reflect this new structure.

Societies Fair

A stall has been booked for L10 without power. [Editors note: we have been allocated one with power]

QSL Cards

Not many filled in, but we may use the RSGB bureau.

Books

The society has a number, and the secretary should keep track of who has what. At the moment there are books on Africa, RAE questions, and a Radio Amateur's handbook.

Shack Keys

Michael Wells has three spare keys.
Tim Winchcombe has two spare keys.
More may be cut as the need arises.

Morse Classes

Next term Martin Atherton very kindly volunteered to run another series of classes. He also drew attention to a contest on the last weekend. HF operators would be needed, but it might be a good opportunity to be seen doing something.

DX-peditions

Ideas are needed in order to organise these. They generally take about ten days for an HF contest. Maybe it's worth

sending out email to find out who may be interested.

Accounts

No problems with the accounts; a L250 surplus remains for completing the packet station.

Michael Wells proposed the accounts be accepted, which was seconded by Martin Atherton.

New Committee

Michael Wells proposed Alan Bain as chairman, which was seconded by Martin Atherton.

Michael Wells proposed Elizabeth Blackburn as secretary, which was seconded by Robert Hawkins.

Tim Winchcombe agreed to stand again as Junior Treasurer.

James Keeler remains willing to act as Senior Treasurer.

Martin Atherton retained the post of Shack Secretary, responsible for Woop Woop II.

Michael Wells was elected as publicity officer.

Other Business

It was noted that as the society was founded in 1924, this year is the 75th anniversary of the foundation, although the G6UW licence was not obtained until 1932. Woop Woop II has only been in place since 1971.

Martin Atherton offered to supply food for the impending BBQ, as long as someone else agreed to cook it. He also drew our attention to a new folding tower behind the barn, which would need some volunteers to help him lift it down.