



NSA Marches Region Annual Regional Members Meeting minutes Tuesday 11th January 2022, 7pm, via Zoom.

Attendees

Antony Spencer (Chairman)	Katie James (Manager)	Henry Dunn (Trustee)
Richard Vines (Vice Chair)	Mike Credland (Treasurer)	Tom Chapman
Rollo Deutsch	Nick Hart	Phil Stocker (NSA Chief Exec)
Tom Chapman	Charlotte Underwood	Barbara Maund
Emma Steele	Beeno Veenstra	Alice Vines
Dan Phipps (NSA Chairman)		

Minutes

Agenda Item	Minutes
001	Apologies. Kate Phillips, Mike Carter, Tom Jones, Andrew Powers
002	Minutes of last meeting and matters arising. Minutes from last meeting - approved Matters arising – none raised
003	Election of office holders. <ul style="list-style-type: none">Chairman – Richard Vines. Proposed by Antony Spencer, seconded by Henry DunnVice Chairman – Andrew Powers. Proposed by Richard Vines, seconded by Rollo DeutschTreasurer – Mike Credland. Proposed by Charlotte Underwood, seconded by Richard VinesRe-approval of region's Trustee Director – Henry Dunn. Proposed by Ant Spencer, seconded by Richard VinesElection and re-approval of NSA English Committee representatives:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ant SpencerMike CredlandRichard VinesKevin Harrison (NSA Marches region member is current NSA English Committee Chairman and therefore does not require nomination from the region)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All proposed by Henry Dunn and seconded by Charlotte Underwood • Election of new committee members and endorsement of current: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rollo Deutsch and Tom Chapman were added on to the committee. • No further changes made.
004	<p>Chairman's report – Ant Spencer</p> <p>Ant reported a good year despite continued difficulties cause by the Covid-19 pandemic – This had forced the ARMM to take place on Zoom for he second year running. The previous year's ARMM has welcomed Simon Hall for an interesting talk on the Livestock Information service due to be launched this year.</p> <p>With covid hanging over us all committee meetings had remained on Zoom but some successful events had taken place including a successful NSA Next Generation Shepherd's event at Overbury estates, Gloucestershire.</p> <p>The competition was won by Tom Garlick who will now go on to represent the region at NSA Sheep Event this summer.</p> <p>In October Ant reported the region enjoyed a visit to Rich Thomas' farm near Leominster, Herefordshire for a farm walk and interesting talk on regenerative farming, this also included the best afternoon tea ever enjoyed by the region at any event! Ant said that it had been a shame more members were not able to join it as it was a thought provoking visit.</p> <p>Ant ended with thanks for the support shown to him during his six years as the regional Chairman and wished Richard Vines the very best of luck as he took on the position. Ant also thanked Katie James for her support as Regional Manager / Secretary.</p>
005	<p>Treasurers report – Mike Credland</p> <p>Mike reported that Karen Sumner and Alexandra Abbott at NSA Head Office continued to manage the region's accounts.</p> <p>2021 has seen a second consecutive quieter year with less spending. The region ended £5,500 in credit but Mike reported that would change going forward as trustee expenses would return to normal rate.</p> <p>The region's contribution to Next Generation would also return at a rate of £1000. In recent years the region had spent between £4,000 and £6,000 annually. Phil Stocker added his thanks that the region graciously took a reduced contribution from NSA Head Office in recent years.</p> <p>Mike finished by commenting that money had been well spent under Antony's leadership, especially on NSA Next Generation – An area worth investing in.</p>
006	<p>Any other business</p> <p>NSA Sheep Event returns this year and it is important that the region supports this greatly with the region usually providing a good number of stewards in the set up of the show and on the day.</p>
	As there was no further business, the formal meeting was closed at 7.30pm.