Pedigree Users Group Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 12 October

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Present:

Malcolm Austen (Chairman), Clare Pilkington, Michael Hulme, Hanna Nicholas, Sheila Culross, Bob Golder, Dave Morecombe, Stuart Bramley, William Terrell, Carys Faichney, Tom Hart, Fiona Campbell, Sheila Jelley, David Sears, Murray Kennedy, Colin Liebenrood, Dick Walker Apologies were received from Graham Moore and Ann Cossar.

Minutes of previous AGM:

The minutes of the AGM on 28 Oct 2023 had been circulated to the membership prior to the meeting. Adoption was proposed by Hanna Nicholas and seconded by Dick Walker. There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report:

There had been no PUG activities over the year, including occasional meet-ups via Zoom. The Chairman thanked Murray and Colin for all their help over the year and also thanked the committee. Bob Adams and Sally Ritchie have both decided to stand down from the committee so any new volunteers would be welcome.

Membership Secretary's Report:

The membership had reduced from 66 to 60 members, with 2 resignations; 4 people have not responded to her subscription reminder. 36 members chose to pay online; there are currently 6 members who are not on PUG-L. There are 8 complimentary members, the SOG, BL etc.

Newsletter Editor's Report:

Colin was the major contributor to the newsletter. The newsletter was also the major vehicle to send out AGM feedback. This year was the first to have only one edition, sent in July. Hanna wondered whether the AGM minutes should be posted on the website earlier in the year. It was agreed this was a good idea but to include a hard copy in the July newsletter. All contributions are welcome, not necessarily about Pedigree/PediTree; they can be on family history in general or computer related matters.

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Treasurer's Report:

The 2023/4 accounts had been circulated to members prior to the meeting. Bob said it had taken 6 months to sort out the bank mandate. Income was gradually dropping, reflecting the reducing membership. He thanked David Sears for providing the external examination of the accounts. Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Clare Pilkington and seconded by Hanna Nicholas.

Election of Officers:

Chairman Malcolm Austen
Hon Secretary Clare Pilkington
Hon Treasurer Bob Golder
Membership Secretary Carys Faichney
Newsletter Editor Hanna Nicholas

Elected en-bloc, proposed by Dick Walker seconded by Michael Hulme.

Independent Examiner of Accounts:

David Sears, proposed by Malcolm Austen seconded by Dave Morecombe

The meeting finished at 1030 a.m.

Clare Pilkington Hon Secretary