# 2021-09-27 AGM Minutes

7:30pm meeting opens

**Present:** Becky Watson (BW), Ellie Weston (EW), Emma Hope (EH), Emma Ranger (ER), Ffion Dean (FD) (9:03pm), Hannah Norman (HN), Hannah Tse-Debenham (HTD), Katherine Richardson (KR), Laura Wigzell (LW), Martin Clarke (MC), Rachel Sheridan (RS) (7:43pm), Sue Connolly (SC), Tori Hair (TH), Will Allen (WA) (8:07pm),

**Apologies:** Rachel-Anne Smith (RAS), Miriam Snowball (MS), Fliss Greenwood (FG), Clare Watters (CW), Hannorah Lee (HL)

Chair – MC

No comments on minutes from 2020, minutes ratified. Action points from previous years reviewed. Summary in Appendix A.

Officer reports

Full reports for Treasurer and Archivist included in Appendix B:

* Foreperson – BW
  + Thank you to MS for coordinating zooms, and everyone joining in either on Zoom/WhatsApp
  + Thanks for being a lovely team
  + Amazing quality of dancing coming out despite all this time
* Treasurer – EH
  + Full report will be completed 31/10 with reviews
  + Interim report circulated – included in Appendix B
* Zoom Coordinator – mega thanks to MS for coordinating and all for participating. Valuable to all in different ways at different times.
* Secretary – HN:
  + Had a few invites but weren’t able to do them due to Covid. All recorded in the “historical events” spreadsheet
  + The sign-up sheet is making a come back though now dancing again!
* Tour Organisers
  + 1 virtual crawl of EH’s new house
* Kit Keeper – Nothing to report
* Publicity Officers – KR:
  + Had a lot of good stuff on social media over the last year, has been noticed
* Archivist – RAS (report in Appendix B)
  + Physical collection archived appropriately, will packaging awaiting more DERT certificates!
  + Digital storage info – G Drive and Disk options (discussed in AOB)
  + Thanks to RAS for doing a fab job!
* Music
  + Has some thoughts for the future – will change the music at some point, but plan to keep the same for now
  + Sparkly waistcoats if a suitable supplier found

Deputy Foreperson – seems to work on a casual basis, up to future leader to decide whether this needs to be formalised. Note to all to help with teaching if you can / would like to.

# Nominations and votes for these positions for the coming year:

All happy to close eyes and raise a hand and for MC to count

Foreperson – EH (EW nominated, BW seconded)

Treasurer – MS (EH nominated, TH seconded)

Secretary – TH (HN nominated, HTD seconded)

“I am a civil servant, paid to do it and very good at it”

Tour Organisers – RAS as lead, HTD to train as one. Once back to dancing get more tour organisers – perhaps on ad hoc basis

Kit Keeper - HTD

Publicity Officers – RAS / KR to continue, WA to learn. Others happy to do odd bits at events etc.

Archivist – RAS

Music – MC

# Agenda Items

1. Practice / Crawls / Invites
   1. Hard to decide when to stop practice based on stats, so if Govt. says to WFH and we are still practicing, we should stop  
      If feel uncomfortable practicing at any point (either personally or that the team shouldn’t be), let committee know  
      Keep eye out for info from Morris Fed etc  
      Committee to regularly, and as needed, sense check if we should be stopping and communicate to team
   2. Crawl – line up 3 or 4 pubs as a casual crawl and see how we go, don’t have to do them if not comfortable – friendly pubs! Crawl Organisers to discuss. Appetite for a crawl, but not a full 8 pub one yet!  
      Card reader – MS/EH to get a second card reader and work out logistics including multiple devices able to connect?
   3. If feel uncomfortable dancing out due to Covid, it is ok to put self as a no on sign-up sheet. If any concerns about signing up to events, speak to officers  
      Public view of us/rapper in general to bear in mind as well as the team feeling comfortable
   4. Let new members know what we do for practice regarding Covid and ask if they can do the same. New members to join 1st Monday of the month from 1st November.
   5. Variable attendance at the mo., hall is an ok size for now. £32 a month so also very cheap! Cheapest community halls generally £15-20 per hour.  
      Keep a look out and revisit in future as needed.
   6. EH – if you really want to do something please say so. Otherwise EH will figure it out!
2. DERT
   1. Maybe approach it a bit more chilled. Discuss when we have more info on what DERT will entail in 2022 – won’t be a regular one
3. Dances / Dance Development
   1. Focus is getting to dancing out and everyone happy. EH to chat to people but aiming to get all three up to dance out standard and then can look at any changes after that.
   2. Clog to resume at 1900. HTD will have keys
   3. If DERT doesn’t happen, could learn another Trad dance
4. Bank – Nothing to add
5. Insurance
   1. Decided to switch to Morris Fed – MS
6. Kit
   1. All to try on kit and assess fit
   2. Swaps to be arranged on 11th October as required – HTD to arrange (HN to double check spares)
   3. Audit whether we need to order new stash (T’s Hoodies etc.)
   4. FD has the pregnant raven T-shirt
7. DART
   1. Provisional plan for 2022, on the sign-up sheet. To be discussed as more info available. By end of year/start of next year need to start making plans. All to consider if would like to go. DART meeting to be held in future, all welcome – starting plans from scratch but with some money in the bank already!
8. AOB
   1. Web – HTD some research unto this. ER offered hosting for experimenting etc. (no charge) HTD & ER to discuss.   
      HTD to update site regarding practice to ask people to contact
   2. Archive - £40-50 for a hard drive or £16 a year to extend G Drive to 100 GB. RAS to advise which is best (both for storing and practically), both sound reasonable, so happy to fund whichever.
   3. The Nut – to discuss at practice is anyone is interested

9:39pm meeting closes

MS / HL join briefly post meeting