



Enclosure 'A'

LLEYN SHEEP SOCIETY LTD.

A report of the Annual General Meeting held at The Centurion Hotel, Midsomer Norton, on **Saturday, 26th October, 2024**, from 6.00 p.m. to 6.50 p.m.

Present: As per Attendance Register

Apologies: As noted in the Register

1. WELCOME

The Chair of the Council, Mrs. Bethan Vaughan, welcomed the members to the Annual General Meeting.

3. PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 2024/2025

Resolved to elect Mr. A. Wynne Davies as President for the year 2024/2025.

Proposed by Siôn Bryn Roberts that Wynne Davies be re-elected as President for a further year with Gill Adams seconded the proposal with all the in favour.

Mr. Wynne Davies, the President elect, chaired the rest of the Annual General Meeting.

The President elect thanked the members for this honour bestowed on him, as this would be his last year as President of the Society. He said that he had thoroughly enjoyed the experience and felt that the role of President in such a prestigious Society was a great honour to anyone. Having celebrated his fiftieth year of being member of the Council and also showing at Shows around the Country, he said that all had been a great pleasure to him. He thanked the Chair for the way that she guided the Council throughout the year in a professional manner.

4. VICE-PRESIDENT FOR THE YEAR 2024/2025

Resolved to elect Mr. John Geldard as Vice-President for the year 2024/2025.

David Knowles proposed John Geldard as the Vice-President of the Society- he said that he was an ambassador to the Society and always had the breed in the forefront. Colin Price seconded the proposal with all in favour.

4. MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL

The President reported that the following members were elected unopposed to serve on the Council for a period of three years:

Lleyn and Eifionydd (Region 1)

A.W. Hughes (287)

W.J. Williams (350)

North Wales (Region 2)

Sian Jone (2761)

South Wales (Region 3)

Richard Twose (552)

Central England (Region 4)

Phyllida Hale (937)

Southern England (Region 5)

Dominic Klinkenberg (2259)

North West and Northern England (Region 6)

James Barrow (726)

Resolved to accept the above elected members to serve on Council for a period of three years and all were congratulated on their role and wished well.

Proposed by Gwenllian Roberts and seconded by John Adams.

Note – 19 members will serve on the Council together with the President and Vice-President.

A vote of thanks was extended to those who served on the Council but wished to retire – Dewi Ellis and Derek Bond

Also, a vote of thanks was extended to the Late Meurig Williams for his dedication on the Council for a number of years.

Sian Hughes gave a heart warming tribute in memory of Meurig Williams – copy of the tribute can be obtained from the Secretary – please ask.

5. **DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE**

Resolved to elect the following to act on the Disciplinary Committee

David Alexander, Rhys Davies, Wallace McCurdie, Alan McDonald and Alan T. West.

Proposed by Richard Twose and seconded by John Dugdale – all in favour.

A vote of thanks was also extended to John Adams for his role on this committee over a period of time.

6. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 28th October, 2023, were submitted, confirmed and signed.

Proposed by James Barrow and seconded by Phyllida Hale – all in favour.

7. **CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair's report was submitted and approved.

Proposed by John Geldard and seconded by Phyllida Hale.

Bethan Vaughan thanked the members for the honour bestowed upon her to be the Chair of the Society – she thanked everyone for their support.

8. **COUNCIL'S REPORT**

The Council's report was submitted and approved.

Proposed by Phyllida Hale and seconded by Edward Adamson.

9. **THE BALANCE SHEET FOR THE PERIOD 1st APRIL, 2023 TO 31st MARCH, 2024**

a)The balance sheet for the period 1st April, 2023 to 31st March, 2024 as prepared by Emyr Mortimer Cyf, Society's Auditors, was submitted.

The Treasurer, David Knowles reported on the accounts:

There was a profit of £9.865 this year

Membership – slightly down. He encouraged the members to pay their annual membership fee by Direct Debit.

Ewe lamb registration – down. Again, he asked members to register their ewe lambs

Ram inspection – this figure has been stable for the last two years

Sales commission – slightly down

Advertising – down on last year as it had proved difficult to get Companies to advertise

Secretary's remuneration – down as the office hours had been reduced to four days a week

Promotions and Communications Officer – this figure doesn't reflect an year's employment as the Officer didn't start her work at the beginning of the financial year

Yearbook – less copies were printed for this year

Postage – as it is the intention of the Society to go paperless, the Treasurer asked the members to provide the office with an e-mail address

The Treasurer said that it had proved an overall good year financially and this was mostly due to increase in dividends received.

He thanked the Secretary and Bethan Vaughan, the Chair, for their assistance in preparing the accounts.

Resolved to accept the balance sheet and thanked David Knowles for his report and for the work done over the year by him and the team.

Proposed by Gill Adams and seconded by Cathy Evans. All in favour.

b) Opt out of having an audit

Resolved to opt out of having an audit.

Proposed by David Knowles and seconded by James Barrow. All in favour.

10. ACCOUNTS

Resolved to appoint Emyr Mortimer Cyf. as the Society's Official Auditor for the 2024/25.

Proposed by Siôn Bryn Roberts and seconded by Phyllida Hale. All in favour.

11. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

In accordance with the Society Rules, the membership fee paid annually was discussed. The Council proposes that the annual membership fee should be increased to £35/€42 (no VAT)

Resolved to increase the membership fee of £35/€42 (no V.A.T.) per year payable on 1st January, 2025.

Proposed by John Geldard and seconded by David Knowles. All in favour.

12. YOUNG MEMBERS

Consideration was given to accepting applications to join the Society from a young person 10 years of age and over, on condition that the parent/guardian signs the application form and any other document, with the young person. This will be the case until the young person attains the age of 16,

Resolved to support applications from young people.

Proposed by Sian Jones and seconded by Richard Twose. All in favour.

13. CUP WINNERS FOR HE YEAR 2024

Barnard Cup for the highest priced ram/ram lamb at Ruthin Sale

A. Wynne Davies (50) – 1,300gns

The Cup was presented by Bethan Vaughan to Wynne Davies.

Lleyn Sheep Society's Cup for the highest priced ram/ram lamb at Ross-on-Wye Sale

Lionel Organ (306) – 3,400gns

Hannah Taylor presented the Cup to Roger Wells on behalf of Lionel Organ.

Roseland Cup for the highest priced ram or ram lamb at Exeter Sale

Sian Hughes (825) - 2,500gns

Ann Jones presented the Cup to Sian Hughes

Lluest Wen Cup for the highest priced ram/ram lamb at Welshpool Sale

JA & R Geldard & Sons (621) - 2,550gns

Colin Price presented the Cup to John Geldard

Scottish and Borders Club Cup for the highest priced pen of ewes bred by member of the Club either at Stirling or Carlisle sales – Hamish Goldie (1312) - £320 per head.

The Cup was presented by Paul Barrow to David Knowles on behalf of Hamish Goldie.

H.E. Roberts Memorial Cup for the highest points in Nefyn, Caernarfon and Anglesey Shows - A. Wynne Davies (50)

Sian Hughes presented the Cup to Wynne Davies.

Noel Baseley Show Points Memorial Cup – C. & A. Kennedy (1618)

Gwenda Roberts presented the Cup, on behalf of Mrs. Pat Baseley, to Edward Adamson on behalf of C. & A. Kennedy.

at one of the Royal Shows during 2023:

Royal Highland Show – Bethan Vaughan – John Geldard presented the certificate to Bethan Vaughan.

Royal Welsh Show – Alan McDonald – John Geldard presented the certificate to Edward Adamson on behalf of Alan McDonald.

Royal Ulster Show – Roger Wells – John Geldard presented the certificate to Roger Wells.

13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Attention was drawn to the danger of having young children in the showing ring at the Shows.

14. **VOTE OF THANKS**

Bethan Klinkenberg (2259) proposed the vote of thanks

She thanked the President, Chair and the Treasurer for their excellent work.

The two members of staff

The Ram Inspection Team for their hard work

The Council for their work in promoting the breed and guiding members

Phyllida Hale (937) seconded the vote of thanks. She thanked the West Country Club for the excellent weekend they had arranged.