



JORDANS PICTURE HOUSE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - FRIDAY 10TH MAY 2024

The sixth JPH AGM was held in Jordans Village Hall at 8pm on Friday 10th May 2024.

The meeting preceded our final screening of the Season, "A Bunch of Amateurs"

Committee members present were:- Alan Sealy, Chairman ((AS); Chris Waymouth, Finance & Technical (CW) Lorraine Bristow, Secretary & Hospitality (LB) Katy Brown (KB)

41 tickets had been 'reserved' for this event including 11 non-members. 44 persons were present.

AS opened proceedings by welcoming the audience and promised the unveiling of next season's film selection (as voted for by our members).

He then requested that LB read out Apologies as follows:

Rosemary & Martin Bennett; Lucinda Borer; Ali Cork; Denise & Jim Newport; Gill Pettman; Georgina Wright.

AS requested a proposer and a seconder for the 2023 Minutes – Proposer: Katherine Bradnock; Seconders: Colin & Sally Ash.

AS asked if anyone had any questions relating to the Committee Report which was circulated with the financial report the previous month. There were none.

Timing and Programme Changes

There was a lively exchange in response to the proposed earlier start time next season and to the cancellation of Tuesday and Sunday screenings with a move to the fourth Friday of the month. Jackie Duncan expressed the view that for her a second Friday screening was not particularly advantageous. Dee King and Katherine Bradnock regretted the loss of foreign (subtitled) films. It was explained that unfortunately subtitled films were not sufficiently supported in our cinema to warrant the screening of such titles.

Financial Report

CW then presented the Financial Report which showed a return to a healthy balance sheet with a surplus of some £5k. CW explained that we had no plans to make any further charitable donations this season. He pointed out the 2 significant donations made earlier in the season and explained that it would be sensible to retain contingency funds to replace technical equipment as needed.

AS asked for approval of the accounts - Proposer: Ian Gordon; Seconder: Bob Barber.

Ian commented that 'one year's revenue in reserve was sensible'.

LB then thanked the audience for their consistent support of our 'hospitality' services and thanked our new bar manager Rick Marshall, assisted by Heather Rowe & Sue Marshall. The audience was also asked for their views of more innovative entertainments; a quiz night, wine tasting, supper etc.,.

AS then opened the Any Other Business (AOB) section of our AGM. He led with the pressing matter of succession and a plea for everyone to think seriously of the future and the need for persons to step forward as volunteers, as Committee members, technical assistants, general assistants and administrative supporters. He pointed out that without more offers of help the time may come when the current team will 'run out of steam' leading to the possible closure of JPH.

AS then expressed warm thanks to our current team of volunteers; Barry Bristow, Richard Bright, Colin Cork, Stewart Douglass, Iain & Jackie Duncan, Phil Hughes, Dave Leutner, Rick Marshall, Tom McCardle, Heather Rowe & Committee members Chris Waymouth, Lorraine Bristow, Gill Pettman, Katy Brown and our Members and everyone who ever bought a ticket!

AS then made a very special presentation to Mary Bellamy our most loyal supporter this season. Mary has bought a ticket to every single screening this season - that's 19 screenings! She was presented with a certificate offering free entry to any JPH screening next season.

Finally it was announced that there would be a screening on Tuesday 4th June of 'Six inches of Soil' on behalf of Jordans Biodiversity Group.

AS then closed the AGM at approximately 8.30pm.