

CONCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

1203rd (Annual General) Meeting held on the 6th April 2019 in the Angela Marmont Centre of the Natural History Museum starting at 2:00 p.m.

In the chair: Martin Willing with 18 members and friends present

Announcement of death: Arthur Raymond Walker, member since 1980 (possibly not continuously)

Apologies for absence: Mike Allen, June Chatfield, Barry Colville, Peter Dance, Briony Eastabrook, Brian Eversham, Brian Goodwin, Michael Kerney, Jan Light, Paula Lightfoot, Evelyn Moorkens, Adrian Norris, Julia Nunn, Pat Robbins, Ben Rowson, Adrian Rundle, Ian Smith, Simon Taylor and Fred Woodward

Appointment of Scrutineers: Mags Cousins and Tom Walker were appointed

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (of 14th April 2018): Accepted and signed

Matters arising: None

Nomination and election of new members: Mr Peter Barfield of Fareham, Ms Abi March of London and Mr Calum Anderson of Aberdeen were duly elected.

Reporting Society Officers were invited to comment on their reports.

Report of the Hon. Treasurer: Nick Light explained that the loss on investments of £8000 at the time of his report had been reduced to £2000 by the time of this meeting. The Society has authorised an agency assistant who deals with day-to-day accounting, reducing the workload of the Treasurer considerably.

Officers' Reports: The following reports were made available via the website and in paper form at the meeting and were approved in a block vote proposed by Peter Topley and seconded by Ron Carr: Report of the Council by the Hon. General Secretary, Report of the Hon. Treasurer, Report of the Hon. Membership Secretary, Report of the Hon. Non-marine Recorder, Report of the Hon. Marine Recorder, Report of the Hon. Programme Secretary, Report of the Hon. Conservation Officer and Health and Safety Report.

Announcements and Correspondence: Martin Willing has been the Society's Conservation Officer since the mid- 1980s and would like to stand down at the next AGM. Rosemary Hill had received a letter from Fred Woodward who is unable to be at the AGM and sends his good wishes. He is sorting material to go into the Society's archive.

Presidential Address:

Speaker: Dr M J Willing

Title of talk: *'Before and after the Medmerry Breach: the story so far.'*

Election of Examiner of the Accounts: Martin Willing proposed and Bas Payne seconded the proposal of Dr Rupert Honnor to be Examiner of the Accounts. The vote was unanimous.

Results of the Postal Ballot: The following were elected:

Officers:

President	Dr M J Willing
Hon. General Secretary	Miss R E Hill
Hon. Treasurer	Mr N Light
Hon. Membership Secretary	Ms B Eastabrook
Hon. Editor (<i>Journal</i>)	Ms A N Holmes
Hon. Editor (<i>Mollusc World</i>)	Mr P Topley
Hon. Marine Recorder	Mr S Taylor
Hon. Non-Marine Recorder	Dr B Rowson
Hon. Conservation Officer	Dr M J Willing
Hon. Programme Secretary	Dr S Payne
Hon. Webmaster	Dr P Lightfoot

Ordinary Council members (to serve a 3 year term): Prof R A D Cameron, Ms I C N Cavadino and Mr I J Killeen

Any other business: Members were reminded that the Society is still looking for a replacement Hon. Treasurer. A list of Conchological books for sale has been placed on the Society's website. Paper copies of the list may be obtained from Bas Payne. The meeting congratulated Martin Willing on the occasion of his birthday. Martin Willing recorded his thanks to Council and especially Peter Topley, Bas Payne and Rosemary Hill for their help over the year.

Meeting closed at 4.33p.m.

Chairman.

Appendix: members' exhibits:

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| Kevin Brown | (1) Press cuttings (2) <i>Polinices (Conuber) sordidus</i> (Swainson, 1821) |
| Rosemary Hill | (1) Yellow cellar slug search notice (2) Spare copies of <i>Mollusc World</i> |
| Rupert Honnor | Celia Llewellyn-Jones collection and library for sale |
| Bas Payne | Shells from South Devon |
| Peter Topley | (1) Eight Species of the South American Strophocheilid land snail genus <i>Megalobulimus</i> , with special reference to <i>Megalobulimus yporanganus</i> (Ihering and Pilsbry, 1901) which was reassessed by Fontenelle J.H. et al in the recent issue of <i>Journal of Conchology</i> 43 (3): 313-320.
(2) Illustration of <i>Megalobulimus grandis</i> in Von Martens, E. (1889) <i>Conchologische Mittheilungen</i> ...3 (1-2). Cassel, T. Fischer to compare with specimen.
(3) Description of <i>Megalobulimus yporanganus</i> and <i>M. yporanganus torii</i> (Langes de Morretes, 1937) in a copy of Bequaert, J.C. (1948) Monograph of the Strophocheilidae. <i>Bulletin of the Harvard Museum of Comparative Zoology</i> 100 :1
(4) Announcement from NHBS of upcoming publication (in June 2019) of a new book reviewing worldwide freshwater molluscs - Lydeard, C. and Cummings K.S. (Eds.) <i>Freshwater mollusks of the world</i> . Johns Hopkins. |
| Martin Willing | Specimens – shells and spent military 'shells' from Medmerry Managed Coastal Retreat |