

CONCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

1229th (Annual General) Meeting held on 12th April 2024 in the Angela Marmont Centre of the Natural History Museum and virtually using Zoom technology starting at 2:00 p.m.

In the chair: Ben Rowson with 23 members and friends present. Ben Rowson welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence: Chris du Feu, Rosemary Winnall, Eirwen Edwards, Nina Hundt, Martin Willing, Mags Cousins and Robert Forsyth

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (of 20th April 2024): These minutes were made available on the website ahead of the meeting and were approved.

Matters arising: None.

Election of the Examiner of the Accounts: A new Examiner is being sought.

Society Reports: The Report of the Council by the Hon. General Secretary and the Reports of the Hon. Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Non-marine Recorder, Marine Recorder, Programme Secretary, Conservation Officer and the Health and Safety Report were circulated to Council and made available on the website for the membership ahead of this meeting and an approval vote was taken in common, proposed by Ben Rowson and seconded by Tom Walker. The reports were approved. Ben Rowson thanked the Officers for writing their reports and also thanked Robert Forsyth for providing a summary report for *Journal of Conchology*.

Society Officers and Council Members: In the absence of any positions being contested the persons nominated were duly elected. These are:

President	Dr B Rowson
Secretary	Miss RE Hill
Membership Secretary	Dr Victoria Burton
Treasurer	Dr A Wright
Editor (Journal)	Mr RG Forsyth
Editor (Magazine)	Mr P Topley
Nonmarine Recorder	Dr B Rowson
Marine Recorder	Mr S Taylor
Programme Secretary	Dr M Law
Conservation Officer	Mrs M Cousins
Webmaster	Ms N Hundt
Publication Services Manager	Dr TM Walker
Ordinary Council members (3yrs)	Prof RAD Cameron, Dr ICN Cavadino, Dr T Crawford and Dr B Goodwin.

Peter Barfield (as Webmaster), Brian Goodwin (Acting Treasurer) and Pat Robbins (Membership Liaison Officer) were thanked for all their work. Victoria Burton (Membership Secretary), Andrew Wright (Treasurer) and Nina Hundt (Webmaster) were welcomed as new Officers, Terry Crawford was welcomed to Council for the first time and Brian Goodwin, Robert Cameron and Imogen Cavadino were thanked for standing again to Council. Everyone was thanked for their work over the past year. Special thanks were noted for Catherine Jagger of CIRCA who looked after the membership database and sent out membership communications over many years.

Nomination and election of new members: Ms Christine Wood of Plymouth, Mr Edward Lee of Fellinscliffe, Ms Olivia Swann of Eltham, Mr Jim Alder of Chesterfield, Ms Tina & Mr Kevin Booth of York, Ms Maria Wybrew of Wick, Ms Libby Howker of Blackpool, M. Jean-Michel Bichain of Colmar, France, and Mr Tim Johnson of La Geltu, Spain and rejoining member Ms Jade Taft were duly elected.

AGM address: Speaker: Andreia Salvador Subject: *‘Interesting Shells’*

Announcements and correspondence: The next Ordinary meeting will be held on Saturday 12th July at 12 noon by zoom only when the speaker is Chong Chen from the Japan Agency for Marine Earth Science and Technology. This will be followed by a Council meeting on a separate zoom link at 2pm.

Field meetings: Saturday 3rd May Mascall’s Wood, Mendip Hills, Somerset. For details please see the website, Leader Matt Law. Saturday 26th June Limestone woodland near Malvern. For details please contact Rosemary Hill

Any other business: None

Meeting closed at 3.30pm for those on Zoom; discourse continued until 5pm

Date of next AGM: Saturday 11th April 2026.

Chairman.

Appendix: members' exhibits:

June Chatfield	Kerri's Catch from Portsmouth – a fish stall in Winchester with shellfish
Sally Eyre	Living molluscs – A display of illustrations from my recent MA project depicting molluscs when they are alive. Also included are interactive elements from a recent exhibition of the work in Bournemouth with the aim of engaging and educating the general public
Ben Rowson	<i>Semilimax pyrenaicus</i> Pyrenean Semi-slug new to Britain
Andreia Salvador	Interesting Shells – book; specimens of shells featured from the NHM Collection
Peter Topley	Some land snails featured in Interesting Shells by Andreia Salvador - book