

## CONCHOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND

**1220<sup>th</sup>** (Annual General) Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> of April 2023 in the Angela Marmont Centre of the Natural History Museum and virtually using Zoom technology starting at 2:00 p.m.

In the chair: Tom Walker with 29 members and friends present. 16 were present in person and the remainder via zoom.

Tom Walker welcomed all attendees to the meeting.

Apologies for absence: Keith Alexander, Mike Allen, Bas Payne and Simon Taylor.

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (of 9<sup>th</sup> April 2022): 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: Rupert Honnor was thanked for his examination of the 2022 accounts and the meeting was informed that a replacement Examiner will need to be found.

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

President	Dr TM Walker
Secretary	Miss RE Hill
Membership Secretary	Mrs P Robbins
Treasurer	Dr B Goodwin
Editor (Journal)	Ms AM Holmes
Editor (Magazine)	Mr P Topley
Nonmarine Recorder	Dr B Rowson
Marine Recorder	Mr S Taylor
Programme Secretary	Dr MJ Willing
Conservation Officer	Mrs M Cousins
Webmaster	Mr PD Barfield
Publication Services Manager	Dr TM Walker
Ordinary Council members (3yrs)	Mr CR du Feu and Dr M Law

Peter Cosgrove and Rupert Honnor were thanked for all their work while on Council and Chris du Feu and Matt Law were welcomed to Council.

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 Peter Topley and seconded by Martin Willing. The reports were approved.

Nomination and election of new members:

Ms Julie Swain of Melksham was duly elected.

AGM address: Martin Willing gave an address 'The narrow-mouthed (but 'broad-minded'!) whorl snail *Vertigo angustior* in Wales – what's happened in the last 40 years.'

Announcements and correspondence: (1) The *Journal of Conchology* will be published online on the Society's website from April 2024 and printed copies will no longer be available. Details of this change were printed in the last issue of *Mollusc World*. In due course, the back issues of *Journal of Conchology* will be available on the Biodiversity Heritage Library's website.

(2) Details of Ordinary and Field Meetings may be found on the website or in the most recent issue of *Mollusc World*.

(3) Anna Holmes needs an assistant to help with contributions for the *Journal of Conchology*. Members are asked to consider if they could assist.

Next meeting: Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Via Zoom, 2pm - 4pm (with a 1.45pm sign-in)

Guest speaker: David McKay *'The role of serendipity in shell collecting'*

This is a Zoom only meeting. Register with CIRCA (shellmember@gmail.com).

Any other business: Caren and Peter Topley were thanked for managing the zoom meeting in the Angela Marmont Centre.

Date of next AGM: Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Meeting closed at 4.10pm

Chairman.

Appendix: members' exhibits:

June Chatfield

(a)Details of field meeting at Bookham Common, Surrey on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September. (b) Bioblitz at Flood Meadows, Alton on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June.

Rupert Honnor

Basis of subclass Patellogastropoda is MacLintock (1967)...

Ben Rowson

*Vertigo angustior* Eva Sharland article 1999 and *Vertigo lilljeborgi* 2022 survey.

Peter Topley

Book: 'World in a Shell' by Thom van Dooren plus examples of *Achatinella*, now extinct.

Tom Walker

*Vertigo* on stamps.

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