

PARKINSON'S UK HORSHAM BRANCH
MINUTES
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT MANNINGS HEATH VILLAGE HALL
ON
FRIDAY 7th February 2025

PRESENT :

Mike Onley Chair

34 Members

Apologies ; Tom Dellmann, Liz Roberts, Richard Hellings

Mike welcomed members and Josie Taylor to the meeting.

Minutes of last AGM 5th January 2024

These had been circulated.

Chairmans Report

Mike who had taken over from Tom Dellmann thanked everyone for their help, committee members and members alike. He thanked Tom for setting up the Working Age Group which has been very well attended and had led to an increase in Branch membership.

He reported that the PD Warrior programme had been very successful and that a second tranche was starting in April.

Branch meetings. Topics covered included Guide Dogs, Birds of South America and Estate planning.

Thanks to Patricia Davis for organising the Elvis night which was great fun and raised a lot of money.

There was also a successful outing to the Prairie Gardens in August.

Mike asked if anyone would be prepared to join the Committee.

Mike mentioned that a couple of members are currently very poorly. Both Julian Davies and Martin Babbister are in nursing homes. We need to look at how we can support their families in these difficult times. One of the reasons for joining the Branch is to meet people, make new friends and get support from the Branch when needed.

Mike thanked Jeremy and James for all their hard work in setting up and organising the website which most of the attendees at the AGM had used.

The next Branch meeting will have a talk on Test Flying.

Treasurers Report

2024 was a good year despite being £2000 down on the year.

£6000 was spent on PD Warrior.

This was the third and final year of the legacy.

Collections raised £3000

Up Country Santa and Elves £2000

Almost Elvis £3400

Donations £1,400

Membership £1,4000

Miscellaneous £1,400

Research. £12,000 was sent.

Physios at Horsham Hospital £2,800

PD Warrior £6,250

Art Classes £1,800 to set up

Lunches/Outings £1,500

Miscellaneous £700

Thanks were given to Barbara who runs so many exercise classes free of charge and David who runs Qi Gong, again free of charge. Thanks to members who have

collected at various locations. Also to the WAG for organising Boxercise and Yoga.

Thanks to Mannings Heath Village Hall for good rates and relationships.

Any Other business

Sue West spoke about Speech Therapy sessions which will run twice a month on 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 1.30 to 3.00 beginning in March

Jeremy thanked James for his help in setting up the website. Jeremy stressed that it had to be kept up to date. Please let Jeremy have any suggestions or comments and email or phone him with any queries.