

**VILLAGE COMPUTER CLUB**  
**Minutes of the AGM (unapproved)**  
**May 25th 2010**

Present	Jim Noble	Chairman
	Marion Bruce	Secretary/Treasurer
	Sue Vores	Catering
	David Rosen	Key Holder/Early Doors

**Members**

John Beard	Richard Hill
Charles Byass	Terry Kettell
John Douglas	Frances Styles
Pat Foster	
Jenny Gibson	Apologies received from: -Arthur Foster, Helen and
John Gibson	Colin Chewter, Gillian Farina, Nick Goulden,
Ian Greenslade	

**Minutes** Members confirmed they had read the minutes for 2009 on line. The motion to accept them was proposed by Jim, seconded by Ian and agreed by the members.

**Accounts** Marion summarised the statement of accounts.

Funds at May 2009	£594.80	
Income for 2009 – 10	£1249.50	
		£1844.30
Expenditure for 2009 – 10		£1334.44
<b>Balance</b>		<b>£509.86</b>

Jim proposed that the accounts be accepted. John B seconded. All agreed.

**Election of the Committee** All current committee members volunteered to serve again.

**Subscriptions** Marion suggested that the yearly subscription be maintained at £10. The £1 fee for the twice-monthly meetings should also remain unchanged. The motion to accept was unanimously agreed.

**Meetings Programme** Jim raised the subject of the monthly meetings – their format and frequency. It was pointed out that numbers of members attending the informal meetings had dropped. After discussion it was agreed that the need for a ‘problem solving’ get-together still existed but that the format would be changed. The ‘round robin’ would start off the evening then, following refreshments, members could get advice and help on individual problems. This would also provide an opportunity for further on or off-line follow-up on queries and comments discussed during the earlier ‘round robin’.

The subjects for the formal tutorials programme were discussed and Jim and Ian agreed to organise a schedule. When finalised this will be added to the Club website at <http://www.wvcc.org.uk>

At Jim's suggestion it was agreed to switch the informal/formal sequence of our meetings to avoid clashing with Microsoft automatic downloads on those Tuesdays when members bring their own computers to the club – thus causing signal strength problems with the club Dongle!! So, in future FORMAL meetings will be on the SECOND Tuesday and INFORMAL on the FOURTH Tuesday of each month. Please note that the first club meeting in June (June 8<sup>th</sup>) will now be a formal meeting.

### **Club Equipment**

It was agreed that those items of Club equipment, no longer used, could be taken by members and any remaining would be jettisoned. Little was left for the skip!

### **Any Other Business**

#### **Attendance.**

This last year had seen membership numbers down but also there had been a marked decline in the attendance numbers for meetings.

After discussion it was agreed to reinstate the Club posters. Pat and Frances 'volunteered' to produce a template for a poster, containing relevant general information about the Club but each month highlighting the subject of the Tutorial. This would then be sent to all Club members, either directly or via a link. Then, each month, members could print as many posters as they felt they could usefully display. For example, on their local village notice boards, libraries, meeting venues, shops etc.

It was suggested that the Pulborough Club Publicity member, Pat Beard, be asked for her advice.

Information about the Club also to be sent to relevant Parish Magazines/local/free papers.

John Douglas suggested that various 'Computer 'doctors'/fixers in the area be advised about the club and what it could offer computer users. He volunteered to provide a list of relevant names.

#### **Walberton Village hall – 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary**

To celebrate the above on SEPT 25<sup>th</sup> 2010 those groups using the Hall have been invited to demonstrate their group's activities by either a static or active display. This will take place between 10am and 4pm and there will be a social event, in the evening, for all those participating. It was agreed the Club would take part. Charles and John B, Richard and Frances offered to organise this.

#### **Visiting Speakers.**

Members were asked to arrive at the formal meetings promptly so that speakers, especially 'outside' speakers could start on time. It was suggested that late-comers would be delegated to do the washing up!

All members wish to thank Helen and Colin for the many boxes of beautiful plants that they donated for the Club raffle. Never have the tickets been so popular!

As there was no other business the meeting concluded.