



## Minutes of the East Riding Astronomers Annual General Meeting Held at Woodmansey village hall on Monday 5th May 2025

PRESENT: Chris Eagleton, Mark Garratt, Helen Marshall, Phil Myers, Lee Cooper, Mark Tomlinson, Sue Rose, Anita Jay, Lorraine Scaife, Terry Abbott, Lesley Alderson-Speight, Mark Lezmore, Terry Fisher, Sean Bobczuk, Phil Davies, Sue Davies.

Guests: Lewis

APOLOGIES: Julie Scaife, Mick & Penny Farey

Meeting started 19:45 BST

### 1). Chair introduction

See Chris' report for full details<sup>1</sup>. But a run through includes: the club is improving and growing; the equipment donations; possible developments from the Hall committee. And thanks to all involved with the club.

- 2). **Minutes of 2024 AGM** a). proposed true by Lee, seconded by Helen. no objections to that.  
b). matters arising. Perhaps a few activities intended didn't take place, or as often as seemingly intended at the last AGM; but quite a few did – see Secretary's report.

### 3). Secretary's report

Full report is [available](#), on the website or via Phil Myers. A brief of most activities we held or helped with. There have been quite a few things acted upon as we've progressed through the year. Reading through the facts, gives the realisation we seem to be pressing fairly well to do things we want to & to help some of those asking...

The current Secretary has been acting as such since 2018 and is pondering if a different person in the role would help the club stay fresh etc.

### 4). Treasurer's report

Available from the Secretary or [Treasurer upon request](#).

Helen runs through her report. Proposed true by Lorraine, seconded Sue.

A small income over expenditure. Considering our year, this seems healthy. It could easily have been a year to warrant using some savings.

### 5). Reports from other Club Officials

Lee gives a brief of what has changed in the [container](#). Including what might be the next projects!

### 6). Election of Club Officers

1. Chair: Mark Garratt. Proposed by PhilM, seconded Helen. Vote unanimous.
2. Vice Chair: no takers, left empty. This was a role created to help share the role between officers during an intended 'transfer'.

We discussed the below roles and who wanted to stand, then voted in one block.

4. Secretary: Phill Myers
5. Treasurer: Helen Marshall
6. Supporting roles
  - Observing manager: Mark Tomlinson
  - Welcome officer: Lorraine Scaife
  - Hub and Equipment: Lee Cooper
  - Catering: Terry Abbott.
  - Website: Lee Cooper
  - Others: none suggested.



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### 7). Changes to Constitution

A: Section 7.1 Quorum: Change 'all honorary officers' must be present to raise a quorum: unanimous, so wording is now – 'at least 2 honorary officers must be present, and 1/3 of current ordinary members'.

### 8). Meeting dates and Activities for 2025/26

- Market stall in Beverley Sat 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- Visit newly rebuilt Sherwood observatory. MarkG to enquire.
- Pavement observing session (evening), possibly Beverley, near to the Treasure House?
- Consider a repeat of the successful NAW2025 public event in Grandad's Park, Cottingham. Helen to approach other Club's re this.
- Solar observing sessions /workshop.
- More Lunar observing nights
- A 'workshop' for various equipment. Maybe ASIAir catch-up.

### 7). Container update

Full report from Lee or via this link. Summary: Dobsonian mount upgrade pending, 3 SCT donations to the Club.

### 9). Any other business

Nothing raised.

AGM formally ends 21:05

Too cloudy to justify setting anything up ☹️