

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Wakefield and North of England Tulip Society 2007**

**The meeting was held at Wrenthorpe Village Hall on 6 October 2007**

- 1. Chairman's welcoming remarks.** The chairman welcomed all, particularly new members and those who had travelled long distances, particularly Harriet Warden from Scotland and Maedythe Martin from Canada. He informed the meeting that John Snocken, our speaker had broken down on the way and therefore the secretary James Akers would be standing-in after lunch,
- 2. Apologies.** There were too many to read out, but included the President the Duke of Devonshire and Anna Pavord, There was a good attendance of around 55-60.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting and matters arising.** The minutes were read and accepted by the meeting. There were two matters arising. Firstly the chairman said that progress had been made in hiving off some of the work of the secretary and that would be confirmed when election of officers took place later in the meeting. Secondly the chairman said that he had made two encouraging visits to members' gardens to see florists' tulips. The visits to Peter and Beryl Royles and Judy Baker had been fascinating.
- 4. Secretary's report.** This covered the various events that had taken place throughout the year and would be printed in full in the Newsletter.
- 5. Treasurer's report.** The secretary gave the report after informing the meeting of the resignation of the treasurer for personal reasons. The report would be printed in the newsletter.
- 6. Election of Officers.** The following were confirmed:  
President: The Duke of Devonshire  
Patrons: Mr Victor Roozen, Mr Keith Eyre  
Vice Presidents: Peter Emmett, Trevor Mills, James Akers, Timothy Clark, John Ollerenshaw, Katherine Swift, Jane Green, Bob Bingham, Anna Pavord, Wendy Akers, Anne Smales, Sarah Wainwright and Carole Gude.  
Chairman: Malcolm Hainsworth, Secretary: James Akers, Treasurer: Jason Clements, Membership Secretary: Teresa Clements, Editor (2007 only): Wendy Akers, Auditor : Ivor Fox  
Committee: Unchanged
- 7. Show Dates 2007**  
Harrogate Spring Show: 24-27 April 2008  
RHS Tulip Competition at Wisley: 29/30 April; 2008  
Constable Burton: not yet fixed  
Tulip Summit (Spalding): 1/2 May 2008  
The Annual Show: 10 May 2008  
AGM: 4 October 2008  
York Show: TBA
- 8. Any other business.**  
Harriet Warden asked if addresses could be made available for the new officers