

**Minute of the 70th Annual General Meeting
held at Baillieston Bowling Club, the Faulds, Baillieston, Glasgow
on Saturday, 15th March 2025**

ATTENDANCE

As per sederunt. A total of 15 members attended and 7 clubs were represented.

President Edna Gold welcomed the members and delegates to the seventieth Annual General Meeting and invited Ladies President Bernadette Delaney of Baillieston Bowling Club to address the members.

President Bernadette Delaney welcomed Fellowship Members on behalf of the members of Baillieston Bowling Club. She wished the Fellowship a successful meeting and handed the Club over.

President Edna Gold thanked President Bernadette for her good wishes and opened the Annual General Meeting, asking for any apologies.

APOLOGIES

Secretary John M Lassa stated that apologies had been received from Kevin McKay, Gary Clelland, Martha Prentice and David Logan Snr

OBITUARIES

President Edna Gold called for a minute's silence in respect of Members who had passed away during the previous year, and for Nancy Peacock from Bridge of Earn bowling club.

MINUTE OF AGM 2024

Held in Baillieston Bowling Club on Saturday, 24th February 2024. As this had been previously circulated to all clubs, Olive Allardyce of Cardonald BC asked for this Minute to be taken as read and proposed acceptance. Acceptance seconded by Vice President Colin McLachlan of Baillieston BC.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES

The Secretary intimated that this year's allocation of both badges and pens was different than what was agreed at the AGM. After the AGM, the committee and Trustees jointly discussed the allocation of pens only, and it was felt that not having any badges would seriously undermine the finances of the Fellowship, and possibly cause a large reduction in overall membership to the detriment of all! Eddie Nicolson of Bridge of Earn BC objected to the overturning of the AGM decision. After further examination of the SBF Trust deed of 1958, it was apparent that any decisions made at an AGM need not be upheld, if they show that they are detrimental to the future of the Fellowship.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary John M Lassa indicated his Report was on the website. The Report was proposed by David Logan of Wishaw BC and seconded by Vice President Colin McLachlan of Baillieston BC and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Olive A Allardyce indicated her Report was on the website. The Report was proposed by David Logan of Wishaw BC and seconded by Vice President Colin McLachlan of Baillieston BC and adopted.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE TREASURER'S REPORT

There were no matters arising except that Olive Allardyce the Treasurer had decided to resign due to failing eyesight but would continue on the committee as a Financial consultant.

GUARDIAN'S REPORT

As a Guardian, Colin McLachlan reported that he had overseen operations and was pleased to report that all was in order, and that the Secretary and Treasurer were carrying out their duties in accordance with rules and regulations of the Fellowship and the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

APPROVAL OF THE 2024 EXAMINED FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

This was proposed by Eddie Nicholson of Bridge of Earn BC, and seconded by Colin McLachlan of Baillieston BC.

The Treasurer recommended that the **membership Fee** for 2026 remains at £2.00 per Member

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2025

Making her retiring speech, President Edna Gold thanked those friends who had supported her during her year in office, and to both John M Lassa and Olive Allardyce for their work in the office during her year. She then declared all offices vacant and called for nominations.

PRESIDENT

President Edna Gold proposed Vice-President Colin McLachlan as President for 2025, and this was seconded by John M Lassa of Langside BC. There being no other nominations, Colin McLachlan of Baillieston BC was duly elected as President.

President Colin McLachlan took the chair and was presented with his badge of office by Immediate Past President Edna Gold who promised her support for the coming year. President Colin McLachlan thanked those present for this honour and presented Immediate Past President Edna Gold with her Past President's Badge and asked for her support during the coming season. Baillieston BC Ladies President Bernadette Delaney congratulated Colin McLachlan and promised him the support of Baillieston BC during the coming year. President Colin McLachlan thanked Ladies President Bernadette Delaney of Baillieston BC for her good wishes, and addressing the members President Colin expressed his wish to be very pro-active and promote the Fellowship at all opportunities. He was part of a team and concluded by thanking all those attending here today.

SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

There was no nomination for Senior Vice-President

TREASURER

John M Lassa was proposed as Treasurer by Colin McLachlan and seconded by Olive Allardyce.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Secretary, John M Lassa asked the following Members of the Existing Management Committee to stand up when his/her name was called:-

Olive Allardyce of Cardonald B C

Proposed by President Edna Gold of Baillieston BC and seconded by John M Lassa of Langside BC

Lesley Honour of Langside BC

Proposed by President Eddie Nicolson of Bridge of Earn BC and seconded by Secretary John M Lassa of Langside BC. In addition, Lesley would also be the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer.

Kevin McKay of Willowbank BC

Though not attending the AGM, he had agreed to stand and had informed the Secretary of his decision by email

There were no other nominations and the above were confirmed as Committee Members.

EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The external Examiner would be **Raymond Henry BSc FCA of the Kelvin Partnership**. This was proposed by President Edna Gold and seconded by Secretary John M Lassa

APPOINTMENT OF HONORARY MATCH SECRETARY

There would no longer be a Honorary Match Secretary. This role would be subsumed by John M Lassa in his capacity as Secretary.

AOCB

The Secretary introduced Brian Hayes from Mount Vernon BC who had been helping the Fellowship by rebuilding the SBF web site. Brian talked about his role in engaging the members by preparing a survey with the Secretary. A capitation fee proposal for members instead of badges/pens would be included. The results of the survey would be ready to be sent out to all members in November. This would help our organisation build and go forward. Further, he would add events to the web page and interesting content.

There being no other business, on behalf of the Members present, President Colin McLachlan thanked Immediate Past President Edna Gold for the conduct of the Meeting, to all those who prepared the sandwiches, and tea/coffee as well as the bar staff who kept everyone watered.

President Colin McLachlan thanked Ladies President Bernadette Delaney of Baillieston BC for the welcome extended to Fellowship Members, and handed the Club back to her.

The Meeting closed at 3.40pm.

