

MINUTES OF THE WSG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, BALTIC YOUTH CENTRE, GDANSK, POLAND, 26 SEPTEMBER 1987

The Vice-Chairman, Dr. M.W.Pienkowski, chaired the meeting in the absence of the Chairman, G.H.Green. He welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies Apologies were received from the outgoing Chairman, G.H.Green, and from the Treasurer, S.J.Sutcliffe.

Minutes The Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting, held on 13 September 1986 at Oatridge Agricultural College, Broxburn, Scotland (Bulletin 48:2) were accepted as a correct record.

Officer's Reports

Reports on the group's activities during 1986 by the Chairman, Membership Secretaries, Treasurer, Editor and Co-ordinator had been published previously (Bulletin 49: 3-6). The Vice-chairman drew particular attention to the publication of Breeding Waders in Europe compiled by Theunis Piersma which had been published as a supplement to Bulletin 48. He also drew attention to the publication of The Conservation of International Flyway Populations of Waders, published in 1987 as a supplement to Bulletin 49. This had resulted from the very successful workshop held as part of the 1986 WSG conference. The officers reports were accepted by the meeting.

Change in subscription rates

An increase in annual subscriptions from £10.00 to £12.00 for individuals and from £25.00 to £30.00 for institutions, to take effect from 1 January 1988, had been proposed by the Treasurer and Executive Committee. This was seconded by D. O'Connor and carried nem. con.

Election of officers and members of the Executive Committee

The Vice-chairman thanked Harry Green for his long and outstanding service as the Group's Chairman, and Nigel and Jacque Clark for their service as Membership Secretaries. There had been no further nominations following those of the Executive Committee published in Bulletin 49, and the following were therefore declared to have been elected:

Chairman	Dr. M.W.Pienkowski
Vice-chairman	Drs. Th.Piersma (also continuing as Co-ordinator)
General Secretary	Dr. S.R.Baillie
Membership Secretary	J.S.Kirby

Ordinary members of the Executive Committee:

D.Bredin
P.L.Ireland
P.Jonsson
Dr. M.E.Moser
Dr. J.P.Myers
C.Thomas

Date and Venue of the next Annual General Meeting

It was agreed to hold the 1988 conference and Annual General Meeting in the south of England in September, on a date to be arranged later. It was hoped to hold the 1989 meeting in Denmark in conjunction with the Wader Ecology Workshop planned for October 1989.

No members wished to raise items under Any Other Business, and the Chairman therefore closed the meeting.

Stephen Baillie - General Secretary.

WADER STUDY GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE, IPSWICH, U.K., 3 SEPTEMBER 1988

The Annual General Meeting of the Wader Study Group will be held during our annual conference at St.Joseph's College, Ipswich, Suffolk, U.K. on Saturday 3 September 1988 at 0900 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the last AGM, held on 26 September 1987 at the Baltic Youth Centre, Gdansk, Poland (Bulletin 52: 2).
3. Chairman's Report
4. Membership Secretary's Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Editor's Report
7. Co-ordinator's Report
8. Election of officers and members of the Executive Committee. The Editor, Dr. N.C.Davidson, and the Treasurer, S.J.Sutcliffe complete their terms of office this year as do committee members H.Hotker, H.Galbraith and W.J.A.Dick. The General Secretary, Dr. S.R.Baillie, has indicated that he will be unable to continue in office

after this year's AGM. Last year Drs. Th. Piersma took on the role of Vice-chairman while still continuing as Co-ordinator. The Executive Committee now propose the appointment of a new Co-ordinator. The Executive Committee therefore propose the election of the following officers:

General Secretary	P.L.Ireland
Editor	Dr. N.C.Davidson
Co-ordinator	H.Hotker
Treasurer	S.J.Sutcliffe

Six additional ordinary members of the Executive Committee were elected last year, and therefore the Executive Committee do not propose the election of any further members this year. No officers or Executive Committee members are due to retire next year, and the election of some further members of the Executive Committee next year would give a better spread of elections than at present.

Alternative nominations for the officers listed above and for ordinary members of the Executive Committee may be made by any members of the Wader Study Group. Nominations must be signed by a proposer and a seconder and must include a signed statement by the candidate that they are