

# Manchester Microscopical & Natural History Society



## 143<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting

Held at Manchester University Medical School  
on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.30pm

**Remembrance of recently Deceased Members:** Anne Gilligan (Librarian)

**Members present:** Mike Mahon (President), John Charlton (Slide Curator), Phil Slatter

**1. Apologies:** Michael Gilligan (Treasurer), Graham Marsh, Stewart Thomson, Chris Power, Bente Loudon

**2. Minutes of last Meeting:** The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting (142<sup>nd</sup>) held on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022 were approved.

**3. Matters arising:** None

**4. President's Report:** Members were updated on this season's events, namely – Oct (meeting with Oldham Microscopical Society), Nov (in person live meeting, usual venue), Feb (live meeting), Mar (AGM live meeting) plus two planned – see 10 below. Updates to web site links and images. Inventory of MMS microscopes and slides. Arrangement to store archives with University Library. The President also thanked Mr Stephen Lindsay-Smith - Anatomy Manager) for his continued assistance in arranging the meeting rooms and equipment storage. The poor turnout for the AGM was also noted.

**5. Secretary's Report:** None

**6 Treasurer's Report:** A detailed written report was provided: Finances continued to remain healthy (£6765.60) similar to last two years. Suggest subscriptions remain at zero for now – depending on Newsletter production. The Treasurer had also re-arranged subscription to the Quekett Microscopical Club and the North-Western Naturalists Union plus updated the Public Liability Insurance.

**7. Subscriptions for 2022/23:** Agreed, no subscriptions next season. However, the introduction of a £10 Joining Fee was suggested.

**8. Librarian's Report:** The need for a new librarian was discussed.

**9. Slide Curator's Report:** No further slides received this year.

**10. Meeting Organiser's Report:**

**1. April:** An invitation from Liverpool World Museum to provide a display for World Microscope Day in the week of April 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>. Agreed we should reply in the positive to attend on Thursday April 13th. Volunteers welcome.

**2. May:** Phil Slatter has arranged a Field Trip Meeting & Display at Etherow Country park/Sailing Club Rooms on Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> 10-4pm. Volunteers welcome.

Also noted the venue could be hired as a regular event if successful.

**3. July:** RMS sponsored MMC free trade Exhibition - July 4-6 at GMEX. members may register for free attendance or turn up at the door. PS to produce MMS publicity for the Field Trip event. MM to inform Oldham Microscopical society of the above. PS & MM to investigate microscope attachment for easier display of microscopical images.

**11: Newsletter Editor's Report:** None.  
Options for presenting articles/histories for the website were discussed.

**12. Election of Officers:**

<b>President</b>	Mike Mahon (President + Meetings) re-elected.
<b>Secretary</b>	Derek Haworth (Membership) re-elected (subject to his agreement)
<b>Treasurer</b>	Michael Gilligan (Treasurer) re-elected. PS willing to assist.
<b>Ordinary Members (4)</b>	John Charlton (Curator) re-elected. James Battersby (Newsletter) re-elected (subject to his agreement). Vacant (Librarian). Vacant (Events).

**13. Any Other Business:** None

Meeting ended at 9.30pm & included a study of parts of the MMS slide collection with a view to picking out items for our outreach meetings.