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FIFTY FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

held at the Braid Hills Hotel at 7pm on Thursday 24 September 2026

1 Present

Graeme Ackland, John Barrow, Paul Caban, Jane Carcas, Max Carcas, Ken Daly, Colin Eades, Lorna Eades, Mairi Eades, Robin Galloway, Joseph Goodwin, Katherine Ivory, William Ivory, Graham McIntyre, Morag McIntyre, Ian McIntyre, Jane McIntyre, Kieran Marsh, Mike Stewart (19)

Apologies for absence were received from Jane Ackland, Pat Bartlett, Karen Dobbie, Lucy Galloway, Ann Haley, Graham Haley, Rob Lee, Carol McNeill, Steve Terry, and the Ward Family (Claire, Ray, Laurence, and Lucy)..

Paul welcomed everyone to the Meeting.

2 Minutes of the 2025 Annual General Meeting

2.1 Adoption

Acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by William Ivory and seconded by Mike Stewart.

2.2 Matters Arising

None.

3 Chairman's Report

Paul summarised outstanding performances by Club members, and events put on by the Club, during the year.

Achievements and Participation

- **Membership Growth**: Significant increase in club membership.
- **Competitive Success**:
  - International participation by juniors and seniors, including notable performances at events like British Champs and JK.
  - The M120 JK relay team excelled, winning at M120+ and performing well against Open teams.

- **UK and Scottish Events**: High participation in major UK events (British Champs, JK, Nights) and Scottish Championships across various formats.
- **JK Car Parking**: Successfully managed by volunteers, earning praise and club recognition.

Volunteerimg and Community Engagement

- **Volunteer Efforts**: Emphasis on the critical role of volunteers in club operations and event organisation, with special mentions for individuals like Joseph (baking) and Mairi (car parking).
- **Local Events and Outreach**: Organisation of local events and participation in community activities like Scouts sessions and Tea in the Park, aiming to boost local membership.

Future Plans and Challenges

- **2027 6-Day Event**: Interlopers are heavily involved in the Central Organising Team, with Graham McIntyre as Event Co-ordinator..
- **Committee and Role Evolution**: Plans to reshape committee structure and roles to better suit current needs, alongside discussions on volunteer rewards.
- **Membership Engagement**: Strategies to increase active participation from new members.

Acknowledgments and Farewells

- **Gratitude**: Thanks extended to the committee, volunteers, and outgoing members, particularly Laurence and John, who have made significant contributions over the years.
- **John's Legacy**: Special recognition for John's long-term service, including his tenure as secretary, with anticipation for his attendance at the club's upcoming 50th birthday celebration.

Miscellaneous

- **Club Merchandise and Social Events**: Mention of merchandising efforts led by Lorna, and upcoming social events, including a quiz.

Overall, my report reflects a year of growth, success, and community spirit, with thoughtful planning for future sustainability and engagement.

4 Financial Statement for the Year ending 31 March 2026

(The Accounts may be found on-line at this link.)

Robin made the following observations regarding the Accounts.

The Surplus for the Year was £1611.40 (c.f. £1542.15 for 2024/25), contributing to a Cumulative Surplus of £25719.45. Event Income at £9799.65 was very healthy; within that total, the Gullane SOL brought in £4361 which, after expenses, showed a net Surplus of £2968..

Income received since the end of the F.Y. included £500 from the 2025 SOA Individual Championships and £650 from the 2025 Six-Days.

The figure for Stock under Current Assets included £3535.14 for new Kit.

In the 2026/27 F.Y., there is expected to be some financial commitment to Mapping.

It was noted that the Club had no Financial Liabilities.

Acceptance of the Accounts was proposed by William Ivory and seconded by Ken Daly.

5 Election of Office Bearers

The full list of Elections was as follows:

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Hon. President	Carol McNeill	Jane Carcas	Lorna Eades
Chair	Paul Caban	Max Carcas	William Ivory
Secretary	Morag McIntyre	Colin Eades	Graeme Ackland
Treasurer	Robin Galloway	William Ivory	Jane Carcas
Social Secretary	Jane Carcas	Colin Eades	William Ivory
Communications Manager	Graham McIntyre	Mairi Eades	Jane Carcas
Club Captain	Mairi Eades	Morag McIntyre	Katherine Ivory
Events Coordinator	William Ivory	Mairi Eades	Robin Galloway
Junior Member	Lucy Ward	Colin Eades	William Ivory
Ordinary Member	Ann Haley	(to be decided later)	
Ordinary Member	Mike Stewart	(to be decided later)	
Area Representative	Lorna Eades	Jane Carcas	Mairi Eades
	Joseph Goodwin	Mairi Eades	Katherine Ivory

Paul Caban would continue to be responsible for the Club's equipment.

Graham McIntyre was happy to stay as Webmaster.

Lucy Galloway would continue in her role as Safeguarding Officer.

6 Presentation of "Gullane Rock"

John read out the citation for this year's award:

"It's probable that a decent length of time has passed since the original award of the Gullane Rock was made to me, in 2012 in fact, to mark the many years I'd been on the Club Committee. Subsequent awards were always to be made at my discretion, and the intention was to mark a significant contribution to the Club by the recipient.

In the 14 years which have passed since then, it's become a bit harder to identify a candidate for the award, partly because I've tried to choose a different recipient each year, and partly because the passing of the years has meant that, naturally, I've found that the vast majority of the Club membership is now significantly younger than I am, and consequently, unless it's at occasions like this, I don't encounter as many of the newer members as I'd like.

Consequently, I have to rely on hearing about what's going on by means of the website, the Newsletter, and more recently the excellent INTeresting periodical, initiated by William, and now being continued by Graham.

All of this was by way of trying to pad out this citation a bit. My nominee, as far as I can tell, has not been with us that long, but in the time since he joined our ranks (and at the same time deserting the "Evil Empire") he has made a significant contribution by way of organising events, from Local Events through SoSOLs, to the SOA Score, and the JHI Relays.

I'm afraid I can't say much more about him, other than that he has certainly enlivened Committee Meetings with his presence.

Thus my nominee for the award of the Gullane Rock for 2026 is Mike Stewart."

7 Any Other Business

None.

Paul thanked all who attended for their contributions.

The Meeting closed at 7:50pm. John Barrow (Hon. Secretary) – 12 November 2026