

Linlithgow & Bo'ness Probus Club

Minutes of the Meeting held in Linlithgow Rose Social Club at 10:30 am on Wednesday 4th October 2023

WELCOME: President Neil Edwards welcomed members and guest John Carswell.

APOLOGIES: Jean Osborne, Eileen McGregor, Margot Watson, Alan Hannah, Chris Collen, Bruce Jamieson, Lyn Aitken, Jim Kelly, Eric Moffatt and Dale Macpherson.

ALMONERS REPORT: George Bird asked members who can offer a lift to others to let him know. Ross Jarvie had nothing to report from Bo'ness.

SPEAKER: Stuart Smith introduced Ian Lambie, who talked about his memories as an amateur rugby player for Watsonians, Edinburgh and Scotland between 1972 and 1981, when he had to retire on medical grounds, including frequent concussion, a dislocated shoulder and a serious neck injury. He exhibited his Scotland cap and rugby shirts from internationals against Wales, England and New Zealand. Ian then answered a number of questions from members in an amusing and informative way.

VOTE OF THANKS: Stuart Smith gave a vote of thanks, which was well supported by all present in the usual manner.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: George Bird suggested that the venue for the Christmas Lunch on 13 December should be in Bo'ness and it was agreed to ask the Programme Committee investigate the availability of the Corbie Inn and West Lothian Golf Club.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 18 October at 10 for 10:30 – Frank Clement will talk to us about his experiences as a long distance runner in the 1970s, when he held the British record for the 1,500 metres and the mile.

John Aitken for Chris Collen, Secretary 5 October 2023.