

## Minutes of Meeting held on: 24th January 2024 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: President Neil Edwards welcomed members and guests.

APOLOGIES: Alan Bennie, Chris Collen and Donald MacDonald.

ALMONERS REPORTS: Nothing reported.

Bill Duncan reported that he and Anne had attended the Friends of Kinneil James Watt Supper in the Corbie Inn, Bo'ness. They had been made very welcome and it had been a most enjoyable event.

AGM: Neil reminded members that the AGM will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> March and they should be thinking about possibly joining the committee or becoming part of the Programme Sub-committee.

TATTOO OUTING: 17 August at 6:15pm. This is still being considered and more information will be made available soon.

SPEAKER: David Elliot introduced Ian Scott, Falkirk historian and well kent Burns performer, who. Sang some of Burn's songs, accompanied by his guitar, and gave an interesting account of some aspects of the poet's short but eventful life. The focus was on lovesongs but also included Scots Wha Hae, Ye Jacobites by Name and Auld Lang Syne – sung to its original tune. Members were encouraged to join in the choruses.

VOTE OF THANKS: A vote of thanks was given by Neil Edwards, supported by the members in the usual manner.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> February when Brett Welch of Strangers Brewery will talk about "Bringing Brewing Back to Linlithgow".

John Aitken, pp Chris Collen, Secretary 25/01/2024