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Minutes of Meeting held on: Wednesday 7th February 2024 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: In Neil's absence, George Bird welcomed all the members and visitor Jim Arkley.

APOLOGIES:

Neil Edwards; John Aitken; Lyn Aitken; Alan Halley; Jean Osborne; Margot Watson; Eileen McGregor; Andrew Jones; Dale McPherson; Phil Bullen; Janice & Peter Tidswell; Alan Bennie; George Wilson; Donald Macdonald; Ricky Wilson

ALMONERS REPORT

George reported that Neil had lost his father in law this week. George had sent the club's condolences.

Eric Moffatt had had a heart attack but was now home as it was deemed a 'low-level attack.

MATTERS ARISING

Some people were still missing badges, although a lucky few had more than one! Hamish Macintyre reported he didn't have one.

AOCB

The AGM was coming up and George reminded members that although the office bearers had all announced they were prepared to remain, now was the chance to elect people who would perhaps represent the wishes of the membership more. The club would still appreciate some input from lady member

David Elliott reported that next year's programme was almost complete and he and his team were thanked for their efforts.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

Stuart Smith then introduced the speaker for the day, Brett Welch. Brett had worked in HR until Covid when he started up the Strangers Brewing Company at Narrowboat Farm. Brett led us through the history of brewing in Linlithgow since the 1400s when beer was much safer to drink than water.. He explained the brewing process and how he came up with interesting different tastes. At the end of his talk there were many questions from the experts on the floor.

VOTE OF THANKS

A vote of thanks was given by Stuart and supported by the members in the usual manner.



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NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 21st February when Craig Matheson will be talking to us about the 'Polar Academy' which was founded in Bo'ness in 2013.

Chris Collen
Secretary
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