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Minutes of Meeting held on: 30th April 2025 at Linlithgow Rose Club

WELCOME: President George Bird welcomed all the members. There were no visitors.

APOLOGIES:

Neil Edwards; Alan Halley; Bruce Jamieson; Duncan McCuish; David Olwa; Stuart Smith

ALMONERS REPORT

No almoners report. Instead Ross rocked them in the aisles with a joke.

MATTERS ARISING

Badges were now made for all members who are reminded to collect them while signing in. Badges help those of us of a certain age to recognise people (e.g. their wives)

The outing to the Burrell Collection had collected such a large number of attenders that an even bigger coach had been ordered. There were still some seats available.

AOCB

None

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

George then introduced the speaker for the day – Ian Wallace. Ian was admitted to the Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem in 1992 and is now a Knight of the Order and Preceptor of Torphichen.

He was the Hospitaller of the Priory of Scotland for 5 years.

Ian proceeded to give a fascinating talk on the history of the Order and its relationship to the Christianisation of the Roman Empire and the rising of Islam.

He offered to give the club a guided tour of the Preceptory and that will be pursued.

VOTE OF THANKS

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

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on 14th May when John Aitken will talk on the subject of his holiday in Japan.

Chris Collen
Secretary
30/04/2025