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Minutes of Meeting held on: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2025 at Linlithgow Rose Club

#### **WELCOME:**

President George Bird welcomed all the members and visitors Jim and Jean Aitken.

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Ross Jarvie; Tony McKerron; Sheena Litster; Janice & Pete Tidswell; George Wilson; Bill Duncan

#### **MINUTES:**

There being no comments the minutes of the last meeting were passed

#### **MATTERS ARISING**

The new computer has arrived and is being set up for first use at the next meeting. George is proposing discussing with the Rose Club committee the installation of a plaque somewhere within the building to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our club

#### **ALMONERS REPORT**

There being no particular membership matters to report, Garry talked about a number of local clubs that provided support and managed to slip in a quick advert for LAMP's production of 'Anything Goes' due to take place in the Academy from 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> October. Not to be outdone (but with no prompting by Bruce) George highlighted the Zoom presentations to be made by our own Bruce Jamieson  
Thursday October 30th: "Looking After Linlithgow's Poor".  
Friday November 21st: "Linlithgow's Entrepreneurial Emigrants".  
Thursday December 11th: "Travels With My Teacher".  
Details from Bruce.

#### **AOCB**

None

## INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER

Bert Lawson then proceeded to introduce his old mate Paul Birrell who he first met in the scrum of Linlithgow Rugby Club. Paul had taught Geography at a number of West Lothian schools which had been an excuse to get out on the hills. Paul made a fascinating presentation, embellished with some excellent photographs taken from his walking life, during which he has twice climbed all the Munros (hills over 3000 feet) and is about to complete the circuit of Corbetts those hills between 2500 and 3000 feet. There were a number of questions, mostly lamenting the current Health and Safety environment that has resulted in the loss of so many outdoor experiences by the youngsters today.

## VOTE OF THANKS

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

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October when one of the founding members of the Linlithgow Union Canal Society that recently celebrated its half-centenary will be talking about the first 10 years of its life.

Chris Collen  
Secretary  
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