

# Village Green Quilters Annual General Meeting

Hedgcroft, Bracken Lane, Yateley

15<sup>th</sup> July 2008

Hazel Ryder welcomed everyone to the first AGM of Village Green Quilters and explained the format for the evening i.e. the 'formal' AGM and after the official business a buffet supper would be enjoyed by all.

Apologies for absence were received from Deborah Redman, Doris Dove, Julie Patel and Brigitte Gillespie. There were 42 members present.

Prior to the meeting members had been contacted via email for any nominations for committee posts for September 2008/2009. The current committee were elected en bloc with the addition of Jackie Patel to serve for next year as follows:-

Hazel Ryder Chair

Sue Butterfield Vice Chair

Cherie Cheetham Membership

Debbie Yabsley Secretary

Jackie Patel Programme Secretary

## **Treasurer's Report (Deb Hayes)**

Deb Hayes reported that there had been a delay with the bank in setting up the bank account from September 2007 to December 2007. The following report therefore shows the financial situation from January 2008 to date.

Banked Income £1707.00

Expenditure £458.60 Petty Cash £127.00

Rent                    £119.00

Speakers            £120.40

Mise.                    £32.25

Refreshments    £73.00

Balance in Bank on June Statement £1224.40

Note: £500.00 is to be transferred to a savings account in the very near future to accrue interest.

It was noted that any member is entitled to inspect the accounts with one week's notice.

### **Membership Secretary's Report (Cherie Cheetham)**

Membership in first year had risen steadily to 63, currently there is no ceiling on membership numbers but room insurance currently permits 70.

It was agreed to keep fees at the current rate of £22.00 per year. However, it was agreed that the pro rata reduction for members joining later would not start until January 2008 as an incentive for members to sign up early. There was some discussion regarding charges for speaker nights but it was agreed that the rate set at £5.00 would stay the same whoever was speaking to cover our costs.

### **Vice Chair's Report (Sue Butterfield)**

Sue was responsible for setting up a very interesting programme for 2008/2009 and this was available on the website and the membership table for viewing. Jackie Patel has kindly agreed to take over as programme Secretary for 2009/2010

### **Chairperson's Report (Hazel Ryder)**

Hazel informed the group that the Basket Charity Quilt Top had been assembled and there were five blocks that did not fit, these five were to be made into cushions one to go with the quilt and the other four to be raffled as additional prizes. The quilt will be long arm machine quilted over the summer.

In October 2008 raffle tickets will be distributed amongst the group to be sold for £1.00 per ticket with the draw to be made at Farnham Maltings January 2009.

Hazel advised the group that to date we have no members from the Eversley area and the group had placed adverts locally to hopefully attract more people from this district.

So far Village Green Quilters have raised £239.00 for the Eve Appeal.

Hazel then made small presentations to the tea ladies and Jo Lovall for doing the website.

Christine Fleuty requested and it was agreed that the chosen charity should change in January 2009 after the quilt had been raffled.

Notices of forthcoming shows and exhibitions were announced and the meeting was closed at 8.50 p.m.

Signed

Hazel Ryder

Chairperson Village Green Quilters