

# **BI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE DREADNOUGHT ASSOCIATION**

**At the Novotel Hotel Nottingham on 6th April 2019**

Acting President Cmdr. Robin Whiteside

Secretary Peter (Florrie) Ford

## **Agenda**

Minutes of Last Meeting

Financial Report

Any other Business

Before the Meeting Opened Florrie reminded everybody if they had not already done so, to fill in a choice of menu form which he had in front of him.

Robin Whiteside opened the Meeting at 15:58

## **Apologies for absence**

Have been received from

Paddy O'Riordan

Alan Kennedy

Tony Mayley

Walter Priest

Allen White

Bill Hyde

David Pulvertaft

Rob Manson

Chris Lowther

James Johnson

George Elton

Robert Dick

## **Minutes**

The minutes of the first AGM were read and confirmed has a true record.

## **Matters Arising**

Florrie reported that he had been in contact with Barry Downer of the Barrow Submariners Association with intention of getting a name of any Naval personal standing By the New Dreadnought and he assured Florrie that Vickers were not expecting any Naval personal at the Yard for Dreadnought before 2026 with commissioning not before 2031/ 2032.

## **Any Other Business**

Florrie started the ball rolling by telling the meeting of the context of an email he had received from Bill Hyde reminding us that in the early sixties

the Town of Morecombe adopted Dreadnought and in a ceremony at the Town Hall the Mayor received a plaque from Dreadnought and the Dreadnought received a scroll from the Council neither can be found now. John Harvey explained that details of this can be found in the first commissioning booklet. Bill suggested that a reunion should be held in the Town with an input from the council. Florrie then went onto remind the meeting that 2021 would be the meeting of the next reunion and it is also the fiftieth anniversary of Dreadnought surfacing at the North Pole. And that should be a celebratory reunion and suggestions to combine a reunion in Morecombe with the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Florrie had a number of offers from the floor to help with this and help to get media coverage as well. One suggestion from the floor was to get a first day cover of stamps with the date of surfacing at the pole on the stamps Andrew Moorey said he works for the Post Office he would look into the Possibilities of this Graham Stubbs wishes to have recorded in the minutes his thanks to John Harvey for the hard work he has put in getting the new web site up and Running. This was met with a firm agreement from the meeting. another suggestion from the floor was for the next reunion be on the actual day the boat surfaced March 11<sup>th</sup> and this greed without dissent. Dave Griggs asked if the date and information re Reunions could be published on the Web site, John Harvey said it already was on the first page. Willie Clelland offered his help with publishing the anniversary Denis Pipe asked for a vote of thanks to Florrie for his effort in organising the reunions seconded by John Havis with everybody in agreement. Pete Bond proposed that the 2021 be held in Morecombe John Harvey seconded and the motion was carried by a majority.

There being nothing else to discuss the meeting was shut off at 1630.  
Next meeting to be held at the 2021 reunion

A raffle at the Reunion Dinner and the sale of some ties raised £000 bringing total funds to £000