

Peter Warlock Society AGM, The Boat Inn, Whitney-on-Wye, Broadstairs, Saturday 9 May 2015

1. Welcome

Committee members present: Michael Graves, David Lane, John Mitchell, Malcolm Rudland, Bryn Philpott, Claire Beach, Silvester Mazzarella.

Members present: Chris Sreeves, Tim Travers-Brown, Rodney Burton, Sara Lane, Jonathan Carne, Kate Packer, Richard Packer, John Merrick.

In attendance: Dr Brian Collins (Vice-President of the Peter Warlock Society), Dr Lionel Carley (President of the Delius Society).

2. Apologies

Rhian Davies, Alice Ward, Kathleen Bentley, Wendy Edwards, Val Pyle, Donald Bunce, Tony Britten, Mary Swan, Valerie Langfeild, Eric Dunkerly, Dick Walter, William Marsh, Frank Bayford, Michael Barlow, Jane Hunt, Laura Hobbs, Michael Walshe, Wendy Walshe

3. The minutes of the last AGM on 17 May 2014 were read and agreed.

4. The amended constitution was published in the Newsletter.

5. Message from the President, Dr Barry Smith

Barry sent his good wishes and is sorry not to be with us.

6. Secretary's report

There are 219 fully paid up members, and 288 Sympathisers.

7. Chairman's report

The full report will appear in the next edition of the Newsletter. There have been many Warlock related activities over the last 12 months: new choral CDs from the Blossom Street Singers and the Carice Singers; the British Library symposium; the birthday concert at Birmingham; and a number of other performances of Warlock's works around the country. Ongoing projects include the transfer of the *Merry-Go-Down* LP to CD; negotiations with the EMF to record all of Warlock's orchestral choral works; a forthcoming EM Records CD to include John Mitchell's arrangements of two Warlock songs; and a book of Warlock's prefaces, a companion volume to Barry Smith's *Occasional Writings* volumes. Michael thanked the committee for their continuing hard work and particularly mentioned Jennifer Bastable for regularly taking detailed minutes of Committee Meetings, and also Claire Beach for similarly taking minutes of the AGM meetings. He then thanked Malcolm Rudland for organising the weekend of events surrounding the 2015 AGM in Whitney.

8. Treasurer's report

The PWS is in good financial shape.

9. Election of officers

Chairman: Michael Graves, proposed by Pat Mills and seconded by Brian Collins

Vice Chairman: David Lane, proposed by Silvester Mazzarella and seconded by Brian Collins

Secretary: Malcolm Rudland, proposed by Jennifer Bastable and seconded by David Lane

Treasurer: John Mitchell, proposed by Michael Graves and seconded by Jennifer Bastable

10. Election of committee

Jennifer Bastable, proposed by Michael Graves and seconded by Malcolm Rudland

Claire Beach, proposed by Bryn Philpott and seconded by Silvester Mazzarella
Silvester Mazzarella, proposed by John Mitchell and seconded by Malcolm Rudland
Bryn Philpott, proposed by Claire Beach and seconded by John Mitchell
Former Committee member, Giles Davies, resigned for personal reasons

11. Future events

- a) Social Lunches: 1pm Saturday 12 September at the *Middlesex Arms*, Ruislip (venue to be confirmed); 1pm Tuesday 27 October, Manchester (venue to be determined); 1pm Saturday 9 January 2016 at *The Antelope*, Eaton Terrace, London SW1 8EZ
- b) Peter Warlock's 121st Birthday Concert, 6pm Tuesday 27 October in the *Carole Nashe Recital Hall*, Royal Northern College of Music, Manchester
- c) Proposal for the 2017 AGM to be held in Cornwall to commemorate the hundredth anniversary of Warlock's second visit to Cornwall: the 1996 AGM in Cornwall was an action-packed weekend including a tour by minibus and nettle soup at Sennen. Something similar might be arranged for 2017 with regards to Warlock's visit in 1917.

12. Date and Place for the 2016 AGM

Eton College is confirmed. Date: Saturday and Sunday 23/24 April 2016

13. AOB

Richard Packer thanked Michael Graves for his work as Chairman and Newsletter editor.