

Vintage Years

Report : January 2020

The club is continuing to thrive to date. This report covers:

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(1) Brief Overview of 2019/20

The Club has 95 members for the year which will end in March – this is the highest number of members in the club's history. As usual there were 12 meetings and 12 outings. This year, there have been 12 excellent meetings, with between 50 and 67 members attending, with the entertainment varying from a 'Talk on the Antarctic', 'Exercises for Fun' and The Tuck Shop Boys singing and everything between. Of the 12 outings, the Christmas Lunch at Tottington Manor was outstanding (with 68 Members attending), but other events such as, the lunch at Brick Kiln Garden Centre followed by a visit to the South Downs Planetarium were extremely popular. In a continuing policy of keeping up to date, some of the committee members attended CPR training.

(2) Update on Operations Manager

There were 8 written applications for the role of Operations Manager. 5 of the applicants were interviewed, all of whom would have been capable of fulfilling the contract. It was necessary to have a second interview to separate the final two. After which Vintage Years offered the contract - for a year- to _____ for 21 hours a month to manage the running of the club.

She started working with _____, on 15th January 2020 so that there would be a handover period before she oversees operations after the AGM in early March. To date, we have been extremely pleased with both her and the progress she has made at the club. She has already suggested ideas which have been implemented and will improve our practices. She has got DBS and is signed on with HMRC. There is still a lot for her to learn but we are confident that we have made the correct decision in selecting _____. A laptop computer has been purchased for her use. It is being set up at the present time.

(3) Outline of Future Activities

_____ will report to the Club Committee each month. At the end of six months there will be a review of the situation, by the committee, to ensure that she is hitting her targets as regards attendance and recruitment of members and helpers. She will submit monthly invoices to the Treasurer and Chairman which will be authorised for payment, if agreed.

Plans for Meetings and Outings for this year are proceeding well and are in their final stages of organisation. Hopefully, following the visit by Nick Herbert MP, to the club last year, it is planned to organise a visit to the Houses of Parliament for a private tour, with our new MP. The new years programme is produced by March. (to commence in April). The club's financial year ends at the end of January and the accounts will be audited by the middle of February.

There are plans for several committee members to attend Dementia Training and more will attend CPR training.

Vintage Years is looking forward to continuing success in 2020/21