

Proposed changes to the Association Rules:

Rules 13 and 14

Delete existing Rules 13 and 14, new Rules to read as follows

- 13 Propositions for changes to the Association's Rules, with names of proposer and seconder, should reach the Hon. Secretary no later than 5 weeks prior to the date of a General Meeting.**
The Agenda for a General Meeting, including any Propositions, shall be published on the Association website no later than 4 weeks prior to the date of the meeting.
Proposed amendments to any proposition, with names of proposer and seconder, may be submitted to the Secretary no later than 3 weeks prior to the date of the General Meeting and shall be added to the published Agenda no later than 1 week prior to the date of the Meeting.
- 14 Nominations for Committee members (with names of proposer and seconder) will be accepted at any time prior to the AGM.**

Reason: to define a procedure for handling Propositions for changes to the Association Rules and proposed Amendments to any Propositions. The current Rules are not specific on these matters.

Change/addition to Rule 15

Delete the words: *'A member unable to attend shall be permitted to vote by proxy'*.

Add the words:

Only members present at the meeting may vote. A Full or Honorary Member has one vote. Both adult members covered by a Family Membership are entitled to vote. Any member not present at a General Meeting may submit to the Secretary in advance of the Meeting a written comment on any Agenda item and such comment will be made available to those present.

Reasons:

- 1 It is not logical for a member to be allowed to vote by proxy in advance of a Meeting, without having heard views raised by others and discussions at the Meeting.
 - 2 The current Rules do not define the voting rights of members. Allowing both family members to vote has been adopted as standard practice.
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Proposed:
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Hon Treasurer

Seconded
J Lokier
Chairman
