



We provide members, especially the young, with ski training and racing to a standard above that which is normally provided by ski school and afford all a unique social connection with the village of "Alpach"

**MINUTES OF THE ALPBACH VISITORS SKI CLUB
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 26th DECEMBER 2013 AT 6:30PM
IN THE FICHTENSALLE, BÖGLERHOF HOTEL, ALPBACH**

The Chairman opened the AGM at 1841hrs. Notice of the meeting was read and accepted.

1) To approve the Minutes of the AGM held on 28th December 2012

Proposed by: Lucy Clarke
Seconded by: Maggie Howells

The minutes of the AGM held on 28th December 2012 were approved unanimously

2) To receive the Chairman's Report

The Chairman's Report was received and is attached to the minutes

3) To approve the accounts for the year ended 31st July 2013

Proposed by: Kate Thomas
Seconded by: Aggi Hunt

The accounts for the year ended 31st July 2013 were approved unanimously

4) To amend the age and subscription rates for Junior Membership

Proposed by: Eileen Carroll Mackie
Seconded by: Simon Varvill

The new Subscription rate for Juniors Members was approved unanimously

5) To renew our support for BLESMA & CSDST.

Proposed by: Kate Thomas
Seconded by: Ali Adams

By a unanimous vote, support for BLESMA and CSDST was renewed for a further 3 years

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 1852hrs

Club Secretary
26.12.2013

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2013

Already my first year as Chairman has come to an end but I have to say how much I have enjoyed being involved with the Club again and spending more time in the village.

After Christmas I returned to Alpbach in February for the Junior Training week. Our Juniors are such an important part of our Club and this year was more successful than ever with more children passing through the system than ever before and some who have even begun to instruct having passed their exams. I am sure the Junior Training Committee will keep up the good work.

At the end of the training week Mike Brennan and I were able to spend a day with the British Limbless Ex-Service Men's Association Skibob week in Sölden. How inspirational to watch and talk to these guys. As you are aware we support BLESMa and also the Combined Services Disabled Ski Team some whom are aiming for Sochi in 2014.

The Amateur Inter-Club Championship was held in Klosters in March. It was the second year we have entered a team in the 45-60 age group and this year we did really well by taking bronze. We are hoping to host this event in Alpbach in 2017 so will be looking out for volunteers both on and off the slopes.

The Autumn Drinks Party was held for the second time at The Bluebird Chelsea on the King's Road in London. Thanks again to the organisers of the event – Jojo, Guy and Vee. It was made more special this year by the arrival of the Alpbach Ski Instructors – Gerhard with his new wife Katrin, Christian, Christoph, Thomas and Tweety. It was quite a surprise to meet them at Sloane Square Tube Station in their traditional dress – they must have taken London by storm.

Vee and Alicia have once again produced a first-class Newsletter. I appreciate how difficult this is for them from the UK so thank you ladies. If anyone didn't get their copy then please see Mike at the end of the meeting.

It was good to welcome Murray Wildman back to Alpbach this year and to have him, once again, organise our Carol Service. Thank you Murray. Thanks also to Father Franz for conducting the service and to the Army Teams, Royal Scots Dragoon Guards and The Queen's Royal Hussars for their help at the service. Good Luck to you in the Army Championships.

At the start of the year we had a new Secretary. Linda Reichsöllner took over from Linda Klotz and the new Linda is doing a tremendous job. Our thanks go to Linda Klotz for all her efforts in the previous years and I know she will help the Club whenever she can.

May I also express our sincere thanks to Sepp and Conny who continue to support the Club in many ways and without whom we would find it very difficult to continue.

Finally, I would like to thank you, our loyal members, for your continued support and the Committee for their many, many hours of hard work and dedication to ensure the Club continues to be the success it is. James Ferguson continues to run our "social media" side and thank you James for doing this so well.

Last but by no means least, 2018 is going to be a very special year for AVSC as we will be celebrating 50 years. Special events will be held to celebrate and your ideas would be most welcome.

Keith Howells - Chairman