

Committee Report

I have deliberately shortened this year's Committee Report: I hope I have not omitted anything of importance.

Another successful year's work was completed by our hard working officers and committee members.

The AGM was held on 23rd March 2016 at 248 Marylebone Road by kind permission of Abercorn School. The attendance was about the usual twenty with many more apologising for absence. A larger number in future years would be welcome.

However, all post holders were re-elected. The AGM minutes for 2015 were approved and signed.

Abercorn School's Annual prize-giving on 24th June at the Landmark Hotel by Marylebone Station saw Brian Saperia and I representing the O. P.A.

The Annual Pilgrimage to Forest Green on 17th July 2016 was fairly well attended and many memories of school life were re lived over barbecue lunch and a glass of wine.

The Annual Dinner on 26th October 2016 at the RAF Club in Piccadilly was chaired by Peter Woodman and the speaker was Alan Sensicle. A brief mention was made in the next day's "Daily Telegraph". There were about 70 at the Dinner.

Gerald Margolis and I continue as Trustees of the Philological Foundation meeting at the Landmark Hotel. I have stepped down from being chairman to vice-chairman.

I nearly forgot to mention that at the BBQ we welcomed Rory's daughter Judith and her husband when a bench was dedicated to the memory of Rory and Kate Hands.

To conclude I reiterate my previous years' comments namely thanks to all members of the committee but particularly Peter Walter and Omar Harmon who has successfully won a battle with HSBC over our bank account and Gerald Margolis who helped out with the Dinner attendance returns when our Secretary was incapacitated. He is now restored to health.

And finally, at the time of writing we have not yet found a member to succeed Richard Durran our webmaster who gave notice last year of his intention to retire in 2017.

Peter Sayers 17th March 2017
Chairman