



RSPBA North West England Branch

GM 5th January 2014 at Padgate Community Centre.

A quorum **was NOT** attained within one half hour after the 13:00 (1PM) start time of the meeting {rule 14.1 Five Band Representatives entitled to vote shall form a quorum at Branch Meetings}.

Present Officials

- P Brown Secretary
- J Thomson Chairman
- C Eyre President, Treasurer & Webmaster
- P Brown Director RSPBA
- T Brown Music Board representative

Welcome

No apologies were received.

Bands in attendance:-

- Oldham Scottish
- Warrington
- Wirral

Bands not in attendance:-

- Manchester Phoenix
- City of Liverpool
- Greater Manchester ACF
- Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service -2003
- Scots Guards Association Manchester
- Bolton Caledonia
- Black Thistle
- Chorley
- West Yorkshire Fire & Rescue Service.
- City of Preston

The Chairman welcomed those attending and wished all present a Happy New year.

It was observed that the Branch newsletter had not been issued in advance of the meeting, which would normally have been a reminder. The branch administrators apologise for this lapse.

Those attending had a brief discussion over coffee.

- Please review the AGM/GM minutes of the 8th December 2013 and bring any corrections and matters arising to the next meeting on the 9th February 2014.
- We are waiting for formal allocation of the adjudicators for the competitions; things are moving apace with their organisation. The venue for the trios was proving problematic, Oldham have agreed to look at Sunday 2nd March for the Trios to keep them central.
- In discussion it was agreed that we should ensure we issue trophies and medals at all events.
- The draw for the solos will take place on Sunday 26th Jan 2014.
- We are looking at running a Drum Major workshop at Padgate, The proposed date is the 29th March 2014.
- Trophies to be returned.
- Solo Piping: Sat. 1st Feb. Polish Catholic Club, Oldham. Judge: Cameron Edgar
- Solo Drumming: Sun. 2nd Feb. Polish Catholic Club, Oldham. Judge: Adrian Hoy
- Trio Piping: Sun. 2nd March. Polish Catholic Club, Oldham. Judge: Harry Stephenson
- Quartets, Mini Bands and Drum Salute: 12th April. St Joseph's School, Birkenhead
Judges: David Clarke and David Brown

Next Meeting 9th Feb 2014 @ 13:00

Closed @ 14:00.

P L Brown
Secretary
NWE Branch