

AGM 21st November, 2013

BRIAN Wozencroft was installed as the 32nd president of Kyrle Probus Club at the club's recent annual meeting.

In accepting the presidency, Brian told members that when he joined the club, he realized there was a unique atmosphere in Kyrle Probus and one of his aims during his year of office would be to maintain that. He said he would also like to see the recent boost in membership maintained and urged members to support the club's social events.

Before installing his successor, retiring President David Kennedy, announced that the club had agreed to make John Farrell a life member, a recognition that was well deserved. John, now coming up to his 20th year as a member, saw the club into the new millennium as its president in 1999-2000. He told the meeting he very much appreciated the honour.

David said he had enjoyed a good year. He thought they should still be trying to recruit new members as he felt that Kyrle Probus had so much to offer. He thanked his committee for their support and vice-president Brian, for taking the chair when he was absent.



Retiring President David Kennedy (right) congratulates Brian Wozencroft after installing him as the new President of Kyrle Probus Club

Secretary Keith Leyshon reported that five new members had joined during the year and the club ended the year with 37 members. Average attendance at meetings had been 29. Treasurer Mike Eastwood reported a surplus for the year of £279.55 and he recommended a 'no change' budget for the coming year, which the meeting accepted.

The meeting also received reports from social events coordinator Keith Glover, speaker's secretary Gary Davies, Press officer Jeff Morris, webmaster Jim Hamilton. The following committee members were elected: vice-president, David Hudson; past president, David Kennedy; secretary Keith Leyshon; treasurer, Mike Eastwood; social events coordinator, David Hudson; speakers secretary, Gary Davies; Press secretary, Jeff Morris; webmaster, Arthur Durrant; members' representative, Nick Oldfield.

The AGM followed shortly after another of the club's highlights of the year, the black tie dinner, held at the Chase Hotel. A large number of members and wives were welcomed by David Hudson, who organised the evening. Mike Eastwood said grace and Robin Nicol proposed a witty toast to 'the ladies.'

President David Kennedy said it was good to see so many members and their ladies present and thanked David for organising the evening. He also thanked those members who had organised the various events throughout the year. He said he had greatly enjoyed his year as president and thanked the committee members for their support.

Jeffery Morris 2/12/2013