

MINUTE of the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of MEMBERS
of the SCOTTISH POTATO TRADE ASSOCIATION held in
the Station Hotel, PERTH at 2 p.m. on Thursday,
13th JANUARY, 1983

PRESENT: A.J. Allan (Brechin) Ltd. (A.J.Allan,Esq.); Alston, Doig & Smith Ltd. (R. Doig, Esq.); N.B. Auckland Ltd. (N. Auckland, Esq.); Messrs. Alex. Bayne & Son (Alex. Bayne, Esq.); Charles Beattie Ltd. (C. Beattie, Esq.); Wm. Beeson (London & Dunbar) Ltd. (Messrs. J.E. Cook and G. Gyle); G.S. Brass (Perth) Ltd. (G. Brass, Esq.); Charles & Co. (Leith) Ltd. (Messrs. C. Paterson and D. Skinner); Thomas Edwards, Esq. (with T. Edwards, Jnr.); David T. Fenton & Sons Ltd. (J.G.H. Fenton, Esq.); Messrs P.L. Fordyce (P. Miller, Esq.); The Forfar Potato Co. Ltd. (G.K. Smith, Esq.); David Fraser (Potatoes) Ltd. (D. Fraser, Esq.); Messrs. Wm. Fraser (J.P. Deuchar, Esq.); Jas. Fulton Jnr. Ltd. (B. Fulton, Esq.); Messrs. James Henderson & Sons (J. Henderson, Snr. Esq.); Kirkforthar Potato Co. Ltd. (D. McCulloch, Esq.); David Lindsay (Potato Merchants) Ltd. (D.H. Lindsay, Esq.); J. Logan Milne (Potatoes) Ltd. (J.L. Milne, Esq.); Messrs. MacLennans Potatoes (C. Gray, Esq.); Milne, Laing (Potatoes) Ltd. (J. Milne, Esq.); Wm. Law & Son (Potatoes) Ltd. (J.O. Robertson, Esq.); Robert Morris & Son Ltd. (M. Morris, Esq.); Gilbert McClung Ltd. (T. McClung, Esq.); Messrs. McKenzie Bros. (Messrs. I. McKenzie and K.A. McKenzie); Messrs. John C. McLean (D. McLean, Esq.); R.A. McLean (Potato Merchants) Ltd. (Messrs. D. Smith and J. Faulkner); George Ogilvie (Montrose) Ltd. (Messrs. A. Cumming and S. Dundas); Pattullo Barr & Co. Ltd. (J.H. Barr, Esq.); Potato Exports Ltd. (R.G. Ramsay, Esq.); George Ramsay & Sons Ltd. (J. Ramsay, Esq.); Robertson of Perth Ltd. (Messrs. B. McDiarmid and D. Stewart); Scottish Farm Produce (Potatoes) Ltd. (E.F. Malcolm, Esq.); J. & E. Smillie (Potato Merchants) Ltd. (G. Smillie, Esq.); Stokes Bomford Ltd. (Messrs. S. Whitehead and W. Taylor); Strathmore Farmers Ltd. (R. McLeish, Esq.); S. Thompson & Son Ltd. (A. Fleming, Esq.); United Biscuits Ltd. (D. Henderson, Esq.); and W.G. Whitton Ltd. (R. Laing, Esq.); with R. David Hunter (Secretary and Treasurer) and D. Blackmore (Assistant Secretary) in attendance.

The President, J.G.H. Fenton, Esq. took the Chair and first welcomed those present to the Meeting, adding Council's appreciation and thanks for Members' good turn out on this occasion.

APOLOGIES: The Secretary intimated apologies for absence on behalf of Anderson-McKay (Produce) Ltd. (E.S.D. McKay, Esq.); John O. Gordon Ltd. (W. Gordon, Esq.); James Haggart & Sons Ltd. (J.R. McArthur, Esq.); G. & D. Maxwell Ltd. (D. Maxwell, Esq.) and Ross Seed Potatoes (W.E. Muirhead, Esq.).

COUNCIL'S REPORT: The Secretary read Council's Report to Members for the year to 31st October, 1982 (copy appended hereto), commencing with brief explanations of the principal features of the Association's audited and pre-circularised Annual Account for that financial year. There being no questions in reply to a call from the Chair, Mr. Robertson moved the adoption of the Account. Mr. Fulton seconded the Motion, which was formally passed without dissent.

Continuing his presentation of Council's Report the Secretary gave details of changes in the Membership Roll that had occurred during the year; the number of Meetings that had taken place and the continuing workload this represented to Members of Council (particularly to the Association's Office Bearers), concluding with a brief summarisation of Circulars sent to all Members.

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SUBSCRIPTIONS: In reply to the Chair the Secretary explained that having considered the audited Account, together with detailed Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the current financial year, Council had resolved to recommend that the tonnage brackets and the relative rates of subscriptions for the year ended 31st October, 1982 should remain unchanged/

unchanged for the year to 31st October, 1983. Mr. Barr moved adoption of Council's recommendation and Mr. Beattie seconded this Motion, which was formally carried without dissent.

A.O.C.B.

The Chairman called for any other matters of competent business to be raised for discussion by the Meeting. In the event that none was raised, the Chairman formally declared the Annual General Meeting of Members to be closed.

Following closure of the Meeting Mr. Fenton introduced John Fotheringham, Esq. and John Bethel, Esq. (the Chairman and Chief Executive respectively of the Scottish Seed Potato Development Council) who had accepted an invitation to address Association Members.