

MINUTE of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
the SCOTCH SEED POTATO EXHIBITORS at
25 South Methven Street, PERTH at 11.30 a.m.
on Friday, 11th JULY, 1986.

PRESENT:

A.D.S. Cluny Ltd. (R. Doig, Esq.); G. & D. Maxwell Ltd. (D. Maxwell, Esq.); Robert Morris & Son Ltd. (P.S. Morris, Esq.); and J. & E. Smillie (Potato Merchants) Ltd. (G. Smillie, Esq.) with R. David Hunter (Secretary) and D. Blackmore (Assistant) in attendance.

G. Smillie, Esq. (Convenor, Organising Committee) took the Chair.

APOLOGIES:

The Secretary intimated apologies for absence on behalf of G.S. Brass (Perth) Ltd. (G.S. Brass, Esq.); Messrs. P.L. Fordyce (P. Miller, Esq.) and Messrs. McKenzie Bros. (K.A. McKenzie, Esq.).

1985 ROYAL
SMITHFIELD
SHOW:

(1) Review of Arrangements - The meeting agreed the 1985 arrangements had been satisfactory and that any change in the presentation of samples be deferred until the 1987 Show.

(2) 1985 Show Account - After due consideration of the pre-circulated 1985 Show Account Mr. Doig, seconded by Mr. Morris, moved formal approval and adoption of the Account. The Motion was passed without dissent.

1986 ROYAL
SMITHFIELD
SHOW:

(1) Appointment of Organising Committee - Mr. Smillie agreed to continue as Convenor for one further year only and (on Mr. Doig's proposal) Mr. W.P. Balfour (of A.D.S. Cluny Ltd.) was appointed to the 1986 Show Organising Committee.

(2) Arrangements - The Secretary reported that replies to the questionnaire sent to all 24 Members who participated in the 1985 Show indicated 2 definite and 4 possible non-renewals for the 1986 Show. The Chairman reported the Organising Committee's earlier discussion of the situation for the 1987 Show, when the P.M.B.'s withdrawal would affect S.S.P.D.C. presence. The meeting agreed unanimously that a Scottish presence at Smithfield Show must be maintained and approved the Organising Committee's request that Mr. Smillie make an informal exploratory approach to Mr. Bethel. It was agreed the Organising Committee would meet again in due course to consider the outcome of this approach and the appropriate steps required thereafter.

The meeting decided that meantime the Exhibitors Group must stand on its own feet for 1986 and instructed repetition of the 1985 Show arrangements for 1986 on the basis of 18 Members each contributing £140.00 (to be invoiced, with a report on today's meeting, as soon as possible) and the indicated deficit of £680.00 being met from accumulated funds in hand. It was also agreed any new Members of the Group will contribute £160.00 to the costs at the 1986 Show and that a formal Standfitting Quotation be obtained from Beck & Pollitzer (Contracts) Ltd. as soon as possible. The meeting confirmed two telephones be ordered for the Stand and Mr. Smillie undertook to arrange to provide and display the samples as usual.

The meeting closed with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.