

MINUTE of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of MEMBERS of THE SCOTTISH POTATO
TRADE ASSOCIATION held in the ICE
RINK, GLOVER STREET, PERTH at
2.00 p.m. on Thursday 27 January 2000.

PRESENT: Agrolon Ltd. (V. Lumb); A. J. Allan(Potato Merchants) Ltd. (A. Melrose); Caithness Potatoes Ltd. (J. R. McArthur); Galbraith & Roy Ltd. (J. O. Robertson); GenTech Propagation Ltd. (D. J. Harley); Grampian Growers (Services) Ltd. (A. B. Pullar); James Haggart & Sons Ltd. (J. R. McArthur); Kirkforthar Potato Co. Ltd. (D. J. Harley); McKenzie Bros. (K. A. McKenzie); J. Logan Milne (Brechin) Ltd. (J. M. Milne); P.B.I. Fenton (A. M. Beattie); Robertson of Perth Ltd. (D. Y. Stewart); Scott & Newman Group (J. Macfarlane); SE Growers Ltd. (A. M. Beattie); W.C.F. Ltd. (J. M. Swinton) along with Hugh B. Edmond, the Secretary.

The President, Mr A. M. Beattie, occupied the Chair and welcomed those present at the meeting.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Beeson Group Ltd., Robert J.S. Doig Ltd., Greenvale AP Plc., Wm. O. Gordon (Potatoes), McCain Potatoes, Gilbert McClung Ltd. and Pseedco Ltd.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The Chairman felt that the Minute of the previous year's Annual General Meeting should be approved at the following year's Annual General Meeting. This was agreed and the Secretary distributed copies of the Minute of the Meeting of 28 January 1999. These were read, approved and signed by the Chairman on the motion of James O. Robertson and seconded by J. R. McArthur.

REPORT OF COUNCIL: The Secretary read to the meeting the Report of Council for the year to 31 October 1999. This was approved subject to the removal of a paragraph referring to activities after 31 October 1999. A copy of the report is attached hereto.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS: The Secretary presented the Association's Annual Accounts for the year to 31 October 1999 which had been certified in the usual way by Messrs. MacMillan & Co., Chartered Accountants, Glasgow. The meeting unanimously formally approved these Accounts.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS: Council had approved The Budget for 1999/2000. In the light of this the meeting unanimously resolved that Membership subscriptions for the year to 31 October 2000 be on the following basis:-

0 - 6,000 tonnes	£165.00 plus V.A.T.
6,001 - 10,000 tonnes	£195.00 plus V.A.T.
10,001 - 14,000 tonnes	£235.00 plus V.A.T.
14,001 - 18,000 tonnes	£265.00 plus V.A.T.
Over 18,000 tonnes	£295.00 plus V.A.T.

CHANGE TO CONSTITUTION AND RULES; A Special Resolution was unanimously passed by the meeting to "Amend Rule 3 of the Association Constitution and Rules to read as follows:- 'Membership shall be open to any person, company or partnership firm engaged in the selling or processing of potatoes originating in Scotland'."

QUORUM FOR AGM: Under any other business a request was made to consider the size of a Quorum for the Annual General Meeting. It was proposed by D. Y. Stewart and seconded by J. L. Milne that a Special Resolution should be put to a Special General Meeting of the Association to be called on Thursday 9 March 2000 at 2.00 p.m. to amend the first sentence of Rule 20 of the Association's Constitution and Rules to read 'Ten Members shall form a quorum at all General Meetings'.

The meeting was terminated at 2.20 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.