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President's Letter

Result of the EGM Vote

3rd August 2020

Dear Member

Warmest greetings from Kefalonia, from where last Thursday I was privileged to chair our first ever Zoom EGM, which was virtually attended by 70 Members from across the globe. Thank you to them and indeed all of the 679 Members who read the papers and voted.

Following the EGM, voting on the only matter in hand - the adoption of our new legal status and Rules and Articles of Association - was concluded at 5pm BST on Friday. The Minutes of the EGM will be uploaded to the Members' Area of the website soon, and will be included in the Annual Report.

I am delighted to report that of the 679 votes cast, 662 (97.5%) were in favour of the proposals, and 17 (2.5%) against, and thus for the first time in our 133 year history we have a proper legal constitution.

My huge thanks to Harriet and Gary for organising this unique meeting so efficiently. You will note that our new legal name, registered company number in England and address (c/o Chartered Accountants, haysmacintyre) is shown below, and it includes the five Directors initially appointed. The President and Honorary Treasurer will always be *de facto* members of the Board whilst each year one of the other three will retire, either to be re-elected, or replaced by a new Board member elected at the AGM.

Gary will now follow through with the creation of the new SMTC AG in Switzerland which will have the operational responsibility for the Cresta Run. We will advise Members of its detailed structure and Board composition in due course.

At the last AGM I said that we would be conducting a survey of the Membership in order to canvass opinion on all manner of Club related matters. Progress is being made on this, and the survey should be sent out in the autumn.

More importantly, at this juncture we dearly hope to run a full Season as normal - much as I appreciate the new normal is different to the old normal. We are in constant touch with our friends in St Moritz, the Bob Run team in particular, and we will keep our Members posted about all decisions for opening the Cresta Run for the 2020-21 Season.

Before then, Toby Clowes (clowes@live.co.uk) and Harry Sheppard (harry@kingstonestate.co.uk) are organising a socially distanced cricket match at Culham Court on Saturday September 12th. Details will follow in a separate Newsletter.

All things being Covid free I am really looking forward to the Committee Meeting and Cocktail

Party at Annabel's which is planned to take place on Wednesday November 11th.

Until we meet again, have a wonderful summer holiday.

Yours ever

James

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