# British Top Band DF Association Annual General Meeting 03 February 2023

This meeting was held on-line.

Present: Alan Simmons, Doreen Pechey, Bill Pechey, Colin Merry, Rosie Merry, Geoffrey Foster, Paul Clark, Dick Brocks, Roy Emeny, Graham Phillips, Phil Arnold.

### Apologies for absence

Andy Collett, Chris Plummer, Peter Lisle.

# Minutes of last meeting

The minutes were approved.

#### **Matters Arising**

None.

#### **Election of Officers**

The following were appointed nem con.

Chairman – Colin Merry Secretary – Bill Pechey Treasurer – Rosie Merry Contest Manager – Geoffrey Foster

Sadly, John Mullins had died during the year. The association is grateful to him for all his work as chairman and in other roles.

Auditors – Alan Simmons and Peter Lisle were appointed but, as Peter was not present, Paul offered to take on the role if Peter were unable do it.

#### **Chairman's Report**

Six qualifiers and a final took place in 2022 thanks to Geoffrey's efforts.

It was agreed to use the Essex Snowman as first qualifier. The new transmitters were used at Torbay but nowhere else. They should be used as standard in future.

An article written by Colin was published in PW.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The accounts were accepted nem con.

Some new people joined last year.

#### **Subscriptions**

It was agreed that the subscription should stay at £10. The "on the day" fee will remain at £2.

Increase event expenses payment to £30? Agreed to leave it unchanged.

However, it was agreed to extend existing subscriptions for the 2023 season. New members will pay the standard fee.

# **Events Calendar**

Need to find a date for the Final – Justin had provisionally agreed to run it. Essex has agreed to do two events, Mid-Thames one.

Roy thought that it would be a good idea to have a common calendar for all events, not just national ones. He has a Google calendar set up which may be suitable.

# AOB

Geoffrey has offered the new transmitters on every event but most seemed reluctant to use something new. Perhaps they can be issued ahead of time for familiarisation? They have preset auto transmission timings which can easily be altered.

Need to get more people interested. Perhaps some other clubs could be interested? Burnham Beeches etc.

The meeting thanked Geoffrey for all his efforts.

#### Date of next year's AGM

TBA.