



The League of Distinctly Average Gentlemen

Official Minutes

Meeting Date: Friday, 01 February 2019

Location: Pappadums, Reading

Opening: On the 1st day of the second month of the year 2019, at the time of 2030h (or close enough) the Annual General Meeting of LoDAG was called by the The League's President (Gentleman Davies).

Attendance and Apologies:

Attendees: Gentleman Skander, Gentleman Holmes, Gentleman Shockley, Gentleman Davies, Gentleman Penny

Apologies: Gentleman Smith (snow), Gentleman Davey (snow), Gentleman Clarke (son in hospital – get well soon), Gentleman Tang (snow/couldn't be bothered), Gentleman Tewari (40th birthday – not his own), Gentleman Msdabwe (got the lurgy)

Absent: Many

Assignment: Gentleman Banner; Gentleman Hanson; Gentleman Kalla; Gentleman Machray; Gentleman Mrva; Gentleman Putrino; Boy Predivith; Gentleman Laybourn;

Chair: Gentleman Davies

The following set of minutes may or may not be an accurate representation of the proceedings of the meeting of the League of Distinctly Average Gentlemen.

1. Apologies

1.1. It was declared that all those members of the League who were not present were sorry that they were not present. They are encouraged to attend future meetings, ideally the next one.

2. Subs

2.1. Gentleman Shockley agreed to pay £24 subscription for the year, then forgot
2.2. Gentleman Skander and Gentleman Holmes paid £2 each.
2.3. Gentleman Penny paid £5, giving £3 for next time.

3. Gentlemanly Conduct

3.1. Gentleman Hirst left the January meeting in the early hours of the morning. He departed the Purple Turtle at around 3am to meet his partner at the hospital and, two days later, met his daughter Mia Elisa. Congratulations Gentleman Hirst.



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- 3.2. Gentleman Clarke also left the January meeting to accompany his partner to the hospital. He wasn't nearly as shamefaced as Gentleman Hirst on arrival. Congratulations to Gentleman Clarke. The League would like to welcome Tobias to the world.
- 3.3. Gentleman Davies and Gentleman Skander went for a walk in the snow. Gentleman Skander refrained from throwing snowballs but got caught in the crossfire.
- 3.4. Gentleman Shockley said that he is fighting the power through Unison and issuing disability passports.

4. Events

- 4.1. There will be a family event outside in the sunshine. A date will be decided in March. Possible venues include Forbury Gardens or the banks of the Thames.
- 4.2. Gentleman Davies reiterated his suggestion of a Where's Wally pub crawl for June. Gentleman Holmes reiterated his suggestion for a second Santa themed event. Also for June. Gentleman Holmes is welcome to attend an event in Santa attire.
- 4.3. Gentleman Hirst suggested that Gentlemen watch the Six Nations rugby. The Wales vs England will take place at 4:45 on Saturday, February 23rd (postscript for the public record, Wales won).

5. Membership

- 5.1. No new Gents this month.

6. AOB

- 6.1. Gentlemen discussed the charity status. There are a number of hurdles to becoming a charity, not least having to have £10000 in the bank. It may be possible to register as a community interest group, the process for which is outlined here (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/community-interest-companies-business-activities/cic-business-activities-forms-and-step-by-step-guidelines>)
- 6.2. Gentleman Tewari printed a check for a donation to Berkshire Women's Aid. Gentleman Davies will set a date for the donation.
- 6.3. Gentlemen discussed possible charities for the next donation.
 - 6.3.1. Gentleman Hirst suggested Inspired By Kiera, a charity that focuses of organ donation, memory boxes for sick children, and accommodation and fuel costs for their families.
 - 6.3.2. Gentleman Davies suggested Change 1, an organisation in South Africa that works with disaffected and disadvantaged youths
 - 6.3.3. Launchpad or a local homeless charity.



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- 6.3.4. Berkshire Air Ambulance, which is entirely funded by donations.

7. Voting!

- 7.1. Congratulations to Gareth Southgate, this year's Gentleman of the Year.

Votes were as follows:

Murray 2, Kutcher 2, Stanton and Volanthen 2, Southgate 5

- 7.2. Commiserations to Jacob Rhys-Mogg, this year's Scoundrel of the Year. Rhys Mogg received 5 votes, narrowly beating Vladimir Putin. Gentleman Davies promised to write to both Gentleman and Scoundrel of the Year, and was relieved that he does not have to write to Putin.

- 7.3. Mixed blessings for Steven Hawking, Dead Gentleman of the Year. Our thoughts are with his family and we hope that this token of appreciation lightens their mood. Hawking beat Paddy Ashdown 7-4 in votes. Not boxing.

- 7.4. The Lodag Gentleman of the Year is Gentleman Davies. Voting was among the Gentlemen who attended the meeting. Congratulations to Gentleman Bharat (2 votes) and Gentleman Skander (1 vote).

8. Next Meeting

- 8.1. The next meeting of the League will be held on 01/03/2019 at 2000h



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