

RECORD of the WIMBLEDON FILM CLUB Email Vote 2021 2 - 11 January 2021

Organised by Liz Woodroffe, WFC Chair

Participation: 27 club members, not including committee members



The AGM was postponed on account of the spring 2020 lockdown and rescheduled for the autumn, when a second cinema closure led to its cancellation. Rather than hold a zoom AGM, the committee decided to circulate the documents and ask members to vote by email.

The Financial Report, Chair's Report and 2019 Minutes were circulated as email attachments, as well as details of attendance, feedback scores & financial performance per screening, and an overview of membership figures.

Finances

For the financial year ended 30 June 2020, the WFC recorded a surplus of £2,745 on Film Club activities, and a surplus of £605 on the annual Shorts Film Festival. The club holds assets to the amount of £12,798.

Membership

The WFC welcomed its 1000th member in October 2019. WFC membership was extended until the end of 2020. The committee proposes to:

- keep membership prices at the current level
- offer direct debit for membership renewal

Programme

Since the last AGM in May 2019, the WFC programme divided into three parts: business as usual through the 1st quarter of 2020; a Home Cinema Club from March until the end of the summer season; a curtailed autumn 2020 season with restricted seating.

Of the 17 films shown under normal conditions, 11 featured invited speakers. 7 'Members' Choice' films were scheduled, including one during the Home Cinema Club season, which profited from a free MUBI subscription and Curzon Home Cinema vouchers for two screenings. The Curzon screening of *Pond Life* (+ Director Q&A) sold out, as did all 3 screenings with restricted seating.

The WFC film programme received national recognition, winning 'distinction' at the annual Cinema for All awards in September 2020.

Ticket pricing and sales

The committee proposes to

- freeze ticket prices at their current levels
- accept online bookings in advance as well as card payments at the door, with no cash option

Trustees 2020-2021

Standing for re-election: Grace Alves, Penny Amerena, Peter Cargin (Treasurer), Clare Collins, Elena Frank, Vivien Reuter (Acting Secretary), Liz Woodroffe (Acting Chair).

Standing for first-time election:

Raj Badiani, Jade Evans, Geraldine Plummer (co-opted in May 2020)

Outlook

It is currently unpredictable when cinemas will reopen. The WFC has a season lined up to show when possible. The members will be informed by email of any developments.

Voting

The participating members voted unanimously to:

- 1) approve the Minutes of the 2019 AGM
- 2) accept the 2019 Accounts
- 3) approve the proposal to freeze membership & ticket prices
- 4) elect the slate of nominations for Trustees & Officers 2020-2021

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