

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE 23rd ASSEMBLY OF EUROTARY 87
HELD AT FOS SUR MER ON 21st SEPTEMBER 2014

In the absence of Eurotary President 2014 Jean Viste, Sylvie Pernot took over the role and the meeting was chaired by Vice President Peter Dalton.

1. Sylvie welcomed those present and gave the apologies of Jean Viste.
2. Apologies were received from Barry Woodward RC Albrighton and District and Peter Drury Burntwood and District.
3. Roll Call. Greetings were given and Banners exchanged with the following Clubs:

Bayreuth-Eremitage	Etwall and Hilton
Haddenham and District	Kolbäck
Korsør Nør	Langenhagen Wedemark
North Fylde	The Wreake Valley
Westerlo	e-Club NY 1

4. Minutes of AGM of the 22nd Assembly were agreed. There were no matters arising.
5. Asta Lecklin (RC Kolbäck) reviewed the 2013/14 humanitarian project to construct and install a Community Water Filling Station in Lipa City, Philippines. The project which was completed in February 2014 was supported by and the long term maintenance will be monitored by the RC Lipa South, District 3820. The total cost was \$US 12,000. Asta thanked those Clubs that had contributed for their support. Jean-Claude Leseney (RC Golfe de Fos) stressed the importance of the project in the knowledge that clean drinking water is essential to the campaign to eradicate Polio.
6. Eurotary Statutes. VP Peter reminded the meeting that he had been tasked to define his role and produce an appropriate amendment to the Statutes. The role definition and the Statute amendment were unanimously agreed. The amended Statutes were distributed and will appear on the Eurotary website in due course.
7. Eurotary 87 Website. VP Peter informed the meeting that Mike Pitcher who had been the Web Master for a number of years had relinquished the role due to his ill health. Tribute was paid to Mike for his work in setting up and managing the website. Peter appealed for someone to replace Mike and asked Clubs to ask their members to see if a volunteer could be found. Bo Johnsson (RC Kolbäck) volunteered to undertake the role and was unanimously elected Web Master with grateful thanks.
8. RC Haddenham and District was confirmed as the Host Club for 2015.
9. RC Bayreuth-Eremitage was confirmed as the Host Club for 2016.
10. Steen Friis-Olsen indicated that RC Korsør Nør were interested in hosting the 2017 Assembly and, should this be acceptable, would be confirmed at the 2015 Assembly. The offer was gratefully accepted by the meeting.
11. VP Peter suggested that it might be possible to motivate Eurotary 87 Clubs that had not yet participated in the annual Assemblies by visiting them and asking them to assist in the hosting of an Assembly in their area. He said that might necessitate a change in the programme to give Saturday 'free time' instead of a planned programme and cited RC Barcelona Diagonal as an example of such a Club. It was agreed that the possibility be explored.

12. 2014/15 Humanitarian Project. President Sylvie invited Mme Natacha Rousson, Representative of M.A.S. (Maison d'Accueil Spécialisée pour polyhandicapés adultes); a specialist facility for care and treatment of multi-handicapped adults in Fos sur Mer; to present their proposed project. Natacha briefly explained that the project was to purchase an innovative musical device (a BAO-PAO) which used 4-arc laser beams to generate musical sounds. It was easy to operate and perfectly suited for use by people with severe disabilities. Its purpose is to arouse and stimulate the attention and actions of residents of the facility.

Natacha used a DVD to demonstrate the handling of the device and the reactions of the residents.

The cost of the BAO-PAO device was €10,000.

The presentation evoked a number of questions regarding the facility, the device and its use which were answered by Natacha and Sylvie who asked for the support of the meeting. The project was unanimously approved and Clubs pledged their financial support.

13. The Presidency of Eurotary 87 for the year 2014/15 was handed to Peter Jones of RC Haddenham and District.
14. Using a video President Peter outlined the proposed programme for the 2015 Assembly highlighting visits to Windsor Castle, Eton College and Waddesdon Manor with accommodation at the Oxford Spires Hotel. Sylvie commended Peter for the presentation and looked forward to enjoying it.
15. Sylvie thanked all present for their attendance and support. She wished everyone a safe journey home and looked forward to meeting up again in Oxford.
16. VP Peter closed the meeting by thanking the members of RC Golfe de Fos for the excellent programme and hospitality over the weekend. He congratulated them on the organisation in the difficult circumstances through the absence of Eurotary President Jean Viste. On behalf of all those present he asked that Golfe de Fos members pass on the best wishes for her improved health to his wife Elizabeth.