

RPS AV GROUP ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 28th October 2023

SECRETARY REPORT

My main activities during 2023 were the usual taking of Minutes at Committee meetings and preparing the agenda prior to that. Collating committee reports and filing them for future record is all part and parcel of the role.

Thankfully, our committee meetings these days are held on Zoom and have been ever since the Covid lockdowns. This is exactly what Zoom was devised for. That pandemic has decreased to levels of common colds and become the "norm" but by holding our meetings on this conference platform saves money, time and effort. Furthermore, the meetings can be audio recorded, which for me, taking the Minutes is a far easier role to do. Plus, I can take part in discussions whereas I could be busy in just writing or miss out essential pieces on the minutes.

The RPS Members Exhibition which was shown during the summer was a great event and pivotal that we played a part within that with the AV Day.

I was very pleased when I was asked to record the day photographically, particularly when I consider the company I was with.

The morning was filled with superb presentations from some of our countries top AV producers. It would have been nice had there been even more people attending it, particularly those who may not yet be a member of the RPS AV Special Interest Group. Somehow, we need to introduce and encourage new and possibly younger people to Audio Visual or sadly I fear it will just fade away over the coming years.

Events such as the RPS AV Day are, in my mind, far more informative, attractive and open than competitions alone. I do hope the RPS will spend more time on future days like the one this year.

I would like to remain on the committee for at least a while longer. I often feel ashamed that I do not put the time and effort into it which my committee friends do but I thank them for the help, support and friendship which they have given me. It is always a privilege to work with them as it will be with the new committee members coming on board who are also renowned AV producers.

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