

Anglo-Swedish Society AGM 2022

Tuesday 21 February 18.30 (on Zoom)

Attending:

June Abrahamsson, Iah Hansen, Sharon Abrahamson, Birger Ekengren, Caroline Ashcroft, Alan White, Mike Tong, John Chaplin, Sheila Andersson, Dudley Hicks, Catriona Chaplin

1. John Chaplin was elected as Chairperson and Caroline A as Secretary at the meeting
2. The AGM Agenda 2022 was adopted
3. AGM Minutes 2021 received and approved
4. Chairman's Annual Report 2021 read and accepted. *Attachment 1*
5. Financial Report 2021 read and accepted. *Attachment 2*
6. Auditor's Statement 2021 read and accepted. *Attachment 2*
7. The Membership Secretary confirmed that we have a stable Family membership. Membership fees 2020 valid for 2021. (due to Covid pandemic).
Membership fee 2022 is 150:- (*decided at AGM 2021*)
8. Membership fee 2023 agreed as 150:- , to be paid at the beginning of 2023.
9. Society's Officers were granted legal discharge for 2021.
10. Society's officers for 2022 elected:
 - Chairperson John Chaplin
 - Treasurer Birger Ekengren
 - Secretary Caroline Ashcroft
 - Members Sheila Andersson and Sharon AbrahamsonVacancies are to be filled by the Committee throughout the year
11. Lars Björnerud was elected as Honorary Auditor for 2022
12. The Society is positive to discuss a possible merger with the British Club.
13. The Committee will discuss a stipendium for students as suggested at last year's AGM.
The Society's Centenary is postponed until 2023.
14. The Society is planning the following activities for 2022:
 - Book Club ELBA.
 - ANZAC Day.
 - Remembrance Day.
 - Treasure Hunt in Slottsskogen.
 - Not Quite a Ceilidh.
 - Carol singing evening.Other events will be discussed by the committee.
15. The meeting was closed with thanks to participants.

John Chaplin
(Chairperson)

Birger Ekengren
(Treasurer)

Attachment 1: Chairperson's Annual report

Attachment 2: Financial Report including Auditor's Statement

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 30 March 2021 ZOOM.
The meeting opened at 18.30 (Sweden), 17.30 (UK).

Anglo-Swedish Society AGM



1. John Chaplin was elected as Chairperson and Caroline Ashcroft as Secretary for this meeting.
2. The Agenda for 2021 was approved and accepted. This was attached to the notice of the 2021 AGM previously distributed in accordance with the Club Statutes
3. The Minutes of the AGM 2020 were received and approved.
4. The Chairperson's Annual Report was received, highlighting the 2020 program of the Society's activities.
5. The Treasurer's Annual Report for 2020 was received, indicating stable finances and a balance of SEK 47,742.
6. The Auditor's Statement 2020 was presented in person by the auditor and approved.
7. The Membership Secretary's Report 2020 was presented and approved.
8. It was agreed to keep the annual subscription fee for 2022 at SEK 150.
9. The meeting granted legal discharge to the Society's Officers
10. Re-election of Officers and Committee Members for 2021:

The following Officers & Committee Members submitted for re-election during 2021.

Chairperson - John Chaplin (also Webmaster)

Treasurer - Birger Ekengren (also Membership Secretary)

Secretary - Caroline Ashcroft

Committee Members - Sheila Andersson, Sharon Abrahamson

During the year, vacancies can be filled at the discretion of the Committee.

11. Lars Biörnerud was re-elected as Honorary Auditor for 2021.

12. A proposal was made to set up a stipendium for a student at The English School of Gothenburg.

13. Proposed activities decided for the new Committee: The planned 2020 Centenary of the Society will be postponed until 2022. Carol singing evening at SOLROSEN Dec 2021 (after Christmas Carol Service). Book club ELB(A) will continue to meet monthly. Commemorative days- ANZAC Day (April 2021) Remembrance Day (Nov 2021). Virtual treasure hunt in Slottsskogen July 2021.

14. The Chair thanked the members of the Committee for their hard work during the year. The AGM closed at 19.00.

John Chaplin (Chairperson)

Birger Ekengren (Treasurer)

Signature:

Signature:

Chairman's Report for 2021

John Chaplin presented 21st February 2022



Membership: approx. 70 members in Gothenburg.

Economy: stable, total net assets of: 47130:-

Communication with members: The webpage (www.angloswedish.se), and Facebook page ([facebook.com/ AngloSwedishGothenburg](https://facebook.com/AngloSwedishGothenburg)) continue to be the most active way for members and potential members to keep up-to-date with the activities of the Society. The Newsletter was produced eight times.

Activities:

Fika: We had one day-time Fika meetup in the Antikhallarna. Several members have indicated that they would like to meet during the day for chat. The Antikhallarna with the new British Shop is an ideal spot for this. The in-person meeting was a success however subsequent meetings were not possible due to Covid restrictions.

ELB(A) book club continues to attract new members via the social networking site Meetup (<http://www.meetup.com/ELBexA/>). The meetup was briefly held as a hybrid with in-person and on-line but has now returned to being held via Zoom every third Tuesday (except during the summer). Eight meetings were held during the year. Financial support for Zoom was received from Medborgarskolan in Gothenburg as a Study Circle during 2020 but this option has now been closed by Medborgarskolan who wish to place their focus on in-person events.

Theatre: All theatre performances were cancelled due to Covid and NTLive theatre at BioRoy was not available during 2021.

Commemorative days: Remembrance Day (11 Nov). We continued the tradition of laying wreaths at the British and Commonwealth and the German war grave sections at Kviberg Cemetery. Due to the Covid situation there was a limited reception held at the Stock Exchange and at the German Church afterwards.

Talks: # We were able to join with the Anglo-Swedish Society in London for a series of on-line talks. We also held a talk with a local artist from Scotland who talked about his art project exploring the Scots influence in Swedish culture and vice versa through shared (or at least comparable) idioms found in Scots and Swedish. www.skotska-idiomer.se

Summer Get-together in the park. We were able to hold a mingle in Slottskogen this year and it was well attended by members of the society and by the British Club. A treasure hunt was organised that was well received.

Not Quite a Cèilidh was postponed again in 2021 but a new script is being written for this year.

Christmas carols evening at Solrosen: usually follows the final St Andrew's carols service however, changes in the schedule and the Covid restrictions meant that it was not possible in 2021.

Cooperation: We have continued our close cooperation with the British Club, St. Andrew's Church and Business Region Gothenburg, The English Shop, CoScan and Anglo-Swedish Society in London.

Arrangements for the 100th Anniversary of the Society

The Masonic Lodge in Brunnsparcken remains our intended venue. We anticipate that the virus situation will still be unclear during 2022 and therefore we will wait another year so that this does not prevent people from attending. Postponed the Centenary until 2023 (Centenary+3).

Anglo Swedish Society Gothenburg, Financial Report for 2021

Profit and Loss Account

Income	2021	2020	2019
From members	2750	7950	6000
Total Income	2750	7950	6000
transferred from 2020 to 2021	7950	-7950	
New total income	10650		
Expenses			
Administration	2641	1926	1523
Activities	0	644	1803
Contributions	390	308	325
Total Expenses	3031	2878	3651
Year end result	7619	-2878	2349

Balance Sheet 31 December 2021

Assets

Bank Account	15866,20
Plusgiro Account	32321,21
Total Assets	48187,41

Liabilities

Balance from 2020	39412,56
result 2021	7618,85
debts	1156
Total Liabilities	48187,41

Lindome 23 January 2022

Birger Ekengren / Treasurer

I, the undersigned, elected auditor, hereby certify that I have audited the Anglo Swedish Society's ledger and vouchers for 2021 and found them to be correct. The profit and loss account and balance sheet are drawn up in accordance with the figures in the cash ledger.

Gothenburg

Lars Björnerud / Hon. Auditor