

**The Japanese Railway Society - Annual General Meeting
Saturday 28th May 2016 12.00 for 13.00 hrs. (prompt) at
The Model Railway Club, Calshot Street, London N1 9DA**

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome – Chairman (*Richard Tremaine*)
- 2 Apologies for absence – Acting Secretary (*Dale W Fickés*)
- 3 Approval of Minutes of the 2015 AGM (*held at the same venue 16th May 2015*) as published here-in (*JRS Bulletin 88, Spring 2016*) and available separately at meeting.
- 4 Matters arising from the 2014 Minutes – and **not** covered in the Officers Reports.
- 5 Officers Reports
 - a) Chairman (*Richard Tremaine*)
 - b) Acting Secretary (*Dale W Fickés*) – including update on Membership role.
 - c) Treasurer (*Roger Comber*) – including update on Banking arrangements; Committee recommendation for UK 2016/17 Subscriptions.
 - d) Sales Officer (*Peter Dibben*) – including update on Tramways publication.
 - e) Webmaster (*Anthony Leith*) – including update on any website proposals.
 - f) Contributions from the Editorial Team, Modelling Sec. & Overseas Representatives.
- 6 Election of Officers and members – In accordance with Item 5.3 of the Constitution, plus Item 7.3.2 relating specifically to the AGM, nominations from both the Proposer and Seconder, with the consent of the nominee – *supported by a personal statement if desired*, should be made in writing to the Acting Secretary no later than **Saturday 7th May 2016** please. Nominations from the floor will be accepted on the day only for positions where there is no prior nomination. The current Chairman has indicated that he will not seek re-election. Members are encouraged to attend the AGM but where this is not possible they may give proxy to the Committee in accordance with Item 10.4 of the said Constitution. An appropriate form is therefore accompanying this notice of the meeting and, if exercised, is to be received by the Acting Secretary at least two days (26th May) before the same.
- 7 Election of Hon. Auditor from Committee nominations.
- 8 Any other business
 - a) Notice of formation of a sub-Committee to revise the current Constitution
 - b) The *Frank Trevithick Okuno* Award
 - c) Matters arising from members unable to attend (*by notification to the Act. Secretary by 7th May please*) or by those present, if not covered previously in the Meeting.

It is hoped that Officers reports and Nominee statements will be available to circulate to members, prior to the Meeting so as to shorten the time taken to conduct all 'official' business and give participating members an opportunity to meet for informal discussion. Contributions from members, *particularly those residing outside the United Kingdom*, are most welcome, whether or not they will be included in Item 8c of this Agenda.

Appropriate complimentary snacks, plus beverages at 'Bar' prices will be available during the course of the meeting. Members are also invited to both view and operate model trams & trains before and after the Meeting on the *Model Railway Club* layout.

Dale W Fickés (*Acting Secretary*)

March 2016

The Japanese Railway Society

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AGM 28th May 2016 Form of Proxy

In accordance with Item 10.4 of the Constitution, members are encouraged to attend the AGM or any SGM but where this is not possible they may give proxy to the Honorary Committee. If this form is exercised it must be forwarded to the (*Acting*) Secretary (*by email or post*) to arrive at least two days prior to the meeting.

Proxy voting is a method whereby some members of a decision-making body may delegate their voting power to other members of the same body to vote in their absence, and/or to select additional representatives. A person designated is called a "proxy" and the person designating him or her is called a "principal". Members may, should they so wish, choose to designate a different 'proxy' for any or all positions available, as set out below, on additional forms by request.

Full details of proposed Nominees – *along with any personal statements submitted* – will be available to all members eligible to both stand and/or vote worldwide, by email, or post upon request, as soon as possible after the closing date of **7th May 2016**.

I, the undersigned,
(name) _____ (date) _____

being a Member of the JRS, Membership Number _____
and entitled to vote at the above AGM as above, hereby appoint

_____ † (Individual Member No. _____) †

Or Chairman/Secretary/Treasurer/Committee Member † († *delete as appropriate*)

To vote for _____ as Chairman

_____ as Secretary

_____ as Treasurer

_____ as a Committee Member (*Joint Editor*)

_____ as a Committee Member (*Modelling Secretary*)

_____ as a Committee Member (*Sales Officer*)

_____ as a Committee Member (*Webmaster ‡*) ‡ This

post has been added at previous AGMs *without* any Constitutional amendment.

Kindly return your completed Form of Proxy (or copy) by post or email to:

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