



Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Region Annual General Meeting  
20<sup>th</sup> October 2015  
Lunch time (13:50 hrs)  
The Source, Sheffield

Agenda:

1. Present:: Caro Wood (Secretary)  
Sue Snelson (Industrial Liaison)  
Liz Ellis (Regional Link)  
Amanda Holmes (Treasurer)  
Nicki Morton
2. Apologies: Diane Eady (Chair)
3. Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising  
  
Last AGM minutes were read and agreed as correct
4. Chairs Report

The Yorks & Lincs committee continues to build on the successes of previous years.

We originally planned to celebrate 30 years of Critical Care in May this year but due to increased clinical pressures we postponed it until today. As you know this is BACCN's 30<sup>th</sup> birthday year, the organisation has seen many changes over those years and indeed our own region has been continually evolving within the BACCN family.

Today we are looking at how innovation and developments have impacted on how we practice now compared to 30 years ago. Some of our speakers have first-hand experience of the 'then and now'! We are excited about celebrating BACCN's birthday in this way and we are looking forward to the "Oh I remember that...."; "we used to do it like that....." and the "was it really like that?" comments that we are bound to hear.

Our 'All Things Trauma' study day in October last year crossed the professional boundaries again when we invited specialist speakers from the Spinal service, the Military and the Organ donation team. Our debate 'Opting in versus Opting out' of Organ Donation proved to be both challenging and thought provoking for our delegates and we applauded their contribution, comments and discussion.

We know that those few members who didn't renew their annual BACCN membership this year actually continue to support and attend our study events, they bring along their colleagues and friends too! We welcome delegates from everywhere and our countrywide attendance continues. This

year we have seen colleagues and speakers from all points of the UK compass.

We are convinced that, because we relish the challenge of building and executing a study event that will include contemporary and often controversial subjects, we remain at the forefront, particularly at a time when staff and organisations frequently ration the events that they support.

As a regional committee we care about each other, we are a real team working hard together to achieve our aims. We have well established, collaborative relationships with our local universities sharing in and delivering critical care programmes in the sound knowledge that those courses and programmes are not only contemporary but responsive to the dynamic environment that is critical care.

As in previous years we have continued to stretch our boundaries beyond critical care and have enjoyed great success with our themed study event.

- Our successful study events give us the opportunity to support attendance at the National conference. This year 4 of us went to London to an inspiring conference packed full of interesting and thought provoking sessions and coupled with a varied social agenda!
- We have again seen a gentle decline in membership numbers in our region. This is in common with many BACCN regions. We try to make contact with those members leaving and often find this is due to them leaving critical care but we have yet to recruit those new critical care nurses who are replacing them.
- I am privileged to chair the Yorkshire & Lincolnshire team and would like to thank them all for their commitment and hard work, which ensures our continued success.
  - Caro Wood, our secretary who works hard to produce minutes of our meetings, is renowned for coming up with original titles for the study days and who always contributes to the posters we produce.
  - Amanda Holmes: Treasurer who is always on the ball with our finances, and keeps a realistic check on the feasibility of our plans, she has this year engineered the transition to electronic accounting – no mean feat!
  - Sue Snelson: Our Industrial Liaison rep: A study day like this can't happen without the support of the companies. We have Sue to thank for the links we have with all of them.
  - Liz Ellis: Liz manages all our delegate nominations for study events, and that is no small task, she works tirelessly to ensure we have the delegate packs and the 'thank you's' for the speakers. She is also our IT wiz and manages the web page with support from head office.
  - This year Maggie Smith resigned from our committee so we thank her for her past commitment and contribution.
- We are looking forward to the challenges of this next year and I'd like to thank this team for their sustained enthusiasm.

## 5. Treasurers Report

Currently we have £3643.85 in our account  
The cost of today's study day was £1900  
£1800 was paid out to support committee members to attend this year National BACCN conference in London and to pay for costs of meals at Regional BACCN meetings

## 6. Situation regarding election of committee members

Currently all committee members are up to date regarding their re-election. Caro and Liz are due in February 2016  
Nicki, informed the group that due to her National Board commitments she will no longer be able to support us at a Regional level and is therefore resigning from our Regional committee. She has promised to keep in touch and has agreed to continue supporting our study days where she can. Thanks to Nicki for her support and contributions to the Region over the last 2 years

## 7. National Conference

Feedback from National BACCN Conference:

7 - 8 September 2015

Nicki informed the group that this year National conference had evaluated very well and had its largest attendance

Next year's National BACCN Conference on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> September, in Glasgow was highlighted

## 8. Regional Study Day

Our next Regional Study day at The Source, Sheffield is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Suggested title for the day is "**Challenges to ITU**" and proposed sessions include:

Optimum sedation/delirium management

Bariatric patients in ITU

Role of the Advanced Nurse Practitioner  
(Nicki has volunteered herself for this)

Recruitment and retention

Service spec D16

(Nicki suggested we could discuss the National Critical Care competencies which either herself or Caro could deliver)

24/7 Outreach service

Paediatrics in ITU

Recovery staff caring for ITU patients

## 9. AOB

Sue reminded everyone that we are looking for Link BACCN members from individual areas that we could feed back to and asked that if anyone was interested in this role to contact us.

Election of new Committee Members, all duly appointed 20 10 15

Name	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Steve	Amanda	Liz
Joanne	Vicki	Sue
Shaun	Liz	Caro
Maria	Sue	Liz