



## CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2017 MINUTES

**Location:** Kilmarnock Arms Hotel

**Date & Time:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018 7:30 p.m.

**1. Attendees:** Fiona Heddle, Jill McWilliam, Tanja Mehrer, Tansy Grahame, Yvonne Bower, Angus McCurrach, Brian McAulay, Dave Dixon, Mike Bower, Russell Taylor, Scott Thomson.

Brian as Chairperson, welcomed all to the A.G.M. and before starting the Agenda made the following announcements:-

Brian proposed a huge thanks from all the committee to Russell for stepping in to give a solo performance to the W.I. at Longside tonight where, due to the clash with the AGM meeting and the concert date many of the usual performers were unavailable to attend, well done Russell, you saved the day.

Brian also thanked Russell who is also taking a break from the Committee this year, for the input and support he has given to the Committee over the past years. It is hoped that Russell will continue to provide support as a performer at the Folk Nights and Future Events.

Brian also thanked Tanja who is taking a break from the Committee this year, for all the effort she has put into organising events, workshops, food and performers during her time on the Committee and the introduction of new and amazing talents in regard to the workshops. It is hoped to welcome Tanja back on to the Committee in the future.

**2. Apologies for absence:** Jane Pettigrew, Gordon McKay, (Russell Taylor - see above).

3. **2016 Minutes:** The minutes for the 2016 A.G.M. were read and accepted by all.

4. **Chairpersons Report:**

**Outgoing Chairperson Report as at February 2018**

I present below my thoughts and memories since October 2016, as the baton is passed to the very capable and enthusiastic Yvonne Bowyer.

Please forgive me for a bit 'overlapping'

**Events.** We've had Moonshine Madness, The Country and Western Night, The Silver City Singers, and many and various visitors from all corners of the globe - performers, audiences and enthusiasts of all musical and poetical shades.

**Workshops.** Singing, Drumming and Performing, long may they continue.

**Outside events.** Visits to Longside, Peterhead, New Deer etc, and entertaining friends.

**Themes** - A wide and wildly entertaining mix.

**Legacy** - Angus diligently working on recording the performances for posterity.

We have invested in upgrading our **equipment.**

We have welcomed **new committee members**

Many thanks to all committee members and helpers for your support, and best wishes to Yvonne going forward.

Sincerely

Brian McAulay

5. **Treasurers Report:**

CBFC Annual Treasurer's Report 1st Oct 2016 to 30th Sept 2017

**Club funds on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2016 £2794.96** as verified by our accountant, Sue Grovesner.

## **This year's expenses**

Raffle prizes £404.11

Gifts £179.16

Charitable Donations £200

Club Equipment £827.98

Miscellaneous items and refreshments £102.11

Band fees and workshop tutor payments £1,320

Hall Hire and cleaning £282

**Total expenses £3,315.36**

## **This year's income**

Raffles £1,961.41

Event tickets and workshop places sold £1,188

Donations to club £100

**Total Income £3,249.41**

**Club funds on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 - £2,729.01**

The account books and receipts for this year have been given to Brian McAulay to enable them to be available for viewing at the AGM and to be checked by the accountant.

Regard Tansy. (Treasurer Cruden Bay Folk Club)

## **6. Publicity Officer's Report:**

2017/18 brought a new and refreshing dynamic to the marketing function of the committee. As primary deliverer of this responsibility since the club was formed, I have found this last year the most difficult as I had many pressing demands on my time which meant the opportunity to proactively promote the club was reduced. Having

said that the online presence of the club website and facebook page have been maintained and have continued to act as good shop windows for the club.

The most positive development has been the introduction of David Dixon to support and help with marketing activities. David is now authorised to post articles and messages on the club facebook page, and has taken on the responsibility of designing and producing posters which has already proven to make a significant impact with numbers up at club nights and many positive comments about the quality of the work David has produced.

Going forward David is likely to take the lead in updating facebook and designing and producing posters etc. I will continue to maintain and update the website. David and I have agreed to synchronise our distribution list contacts so that either one of us can communicate to the entire distribution list as and when required.

Regards

Gordon.

8. **Appointment of Auditor:** Sue Grosvenor MICB. CB. PM. Dip of SGG Business Services the present Auditor of accounts for the Folk Club has agreed to audit the accounts for next year.

9. **Elections:**

It was agreed by all to have **Joint Treasurers** and **Joint Publicity Officers** this year.

**Election Results as follows:**

**Chairperson-** Yvonne proposed by Tansy seconded by Brian, accepted by all.

**Vice Chairperson-** Brian proposed by Yvonne seconded by Angus, accepted by all.

**Secretary** - Scott proposed by Tansy seconded by Dave, accepted by all.

**Joint Treasurer** - Mike proposed by Tansy seconded by Angus, accepted by all.

**Joint Treasurer** - Tansy proposed by Scott seconded by Yvonne, accepted by all.

**Joint Publicity Officer** - Gordon proposed by Angus seconded by Dave, accepted by all.

**Joint Publicity Officer** - Dave proposed by Yvonne seconded by Jill, accepted by all.

**Committee Members:** Jill, Angus, Michael and Russell, have all offered to remain as committee members for another year, two new members were voted on to the committee.

**Fiona Heddle:** proposed by Jill seconded by Scott, accepted by all.

**Jane Pettigrew:** proposed by Jill seconded by Angus, accepted by all.

**10. AOCB:** It was agreed that a section should be put into the monthly meeting minutes for future events which would remain in the section until the event had taken place. This would give a heads up for pre - concert practises or other pre works prior to the event.

**11. Date of next Meeting:** Yvonne as newly elected Chairperson thanked everyone for attending and the A.G.M. and thanked all the Committee and Office Bearers for all their efforts in 2017 then closed the A.G.M.

Date for the 2018 A.G.M. Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Scott Thomson (Secretary)