



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020 MINUTES

Location: ZOOM Meeting (Covid 19 Restrictions)

Date & Time: Tuesday 23rd February 2021 7:30 p.m.

1. Attendees: Yvonne Bower, Tansy Grahame, Jill McWilliams, Brian McAulay, Gordon Mackay, Michael Hendry, Mike Bower and Scott Thomson.

2. Apologies for absence: None

Yvonne as Chairperson welcomed all to the A.G.M. and before starting the Agenda thanked all the Committee Members and Office Bearers for all their efforts and support during both the active and inactive parts of the year 2020.

3. 2019 AGM Minutes: The minutes for the 2019 A.G.M. were read and accepting the minutes proposed by Yvonne and seconded by Mike and agreed by all.

4. Chairpersons Report:

Well, this past year, as most people say, will definitely be recorded in History. Sadly, not for all the exciting things the Club has been able to do or achieve but for Covid-19.

As a result of lockdowns and restrictions on businesses, such as the Club's home base the Kilmarnock Arms, meeting indoors and singing in public and/or in groups, the Club's last Club Night was 28th February 2020. The last Committee Meeting, was indeed, the last AGM in February 2020.

£120 Iona Fife's accommodation (Although Iona's concert was the previous club year, these

£48 on hall hire two bills were still outstanding.)

£635.03 on new equipment Much needed new P.A. etc. and light-weight speakers.

£52.95 on gifts For Martin and Lucy's kids and our auditor

£10.60 on AGM refreshments

£380 donation to The Salvation Army

£150.96 on raffle prizes

Total Expenses **£1397.54**

Income

£664.11 from 5 raffles.

£130.63 from Brian's karaoke in aid of the Salvation Army donation.

£50 from an individual donation for the Salvation Army donation.

Total Income **£844.74**

The club total on 30th Sept 2020 = (2601.49 - 1397.54 + 844.74)

£2048.69

The club total is £552.80 less than last year which can be accounted for by our considerable expenditure on a much needed upgrade to our sound system equipment and the fact that we were only able to hold 5 raffles which are our main source of income.

Club books for this year were audited by Dawn Allen on 26/11/20.

Regards **Tansy Grahame** Treasurer Cruden Bay Folk Club

6. Publicity Officer's Report:

In March last year I posted an update to the club website advising that the March Club meeting had been cancelled due to something called Covid 19 advising that any changes would be posted on the website and the clubs facebook page, little did any of us imagine that for the 12th successive month, we would still be in the same situation. As things stand it seems unlikely that the club will be able to reopen to members and visitors in the immediate future. This has created a bit of a void in the need for PR and marketing over the past year.

As many of you may know, I have been working with Jill McWilliam on another project called Doric Future / Doric TV, and as we've developed the websites for this, we found the need to include a section on music which led me to feature and incorporate content from the Folk Club which has opened up a new audience to the club. I have recently featured articles on this site featuring, Angus, Andy Oxbow, and just last month to celebrate Burns Night, contributions from Scott, Brian and Daryl Short as well as my own rendition of Tam O'Shanter, all of which gave me the opportunity to refer back to Club website. These articles have all been featured in Doric TV Newsletters which go out to a mailing list of nearly 700 subscribers, all of whom have an interest in all that we do. I feel sure there will be other collaborations between Doric Future/TV and the folk Club in weeks and months to come and I'll continue to make the connections back to the club whenever possible.

In closing I have to mention the passing of David Dixon who shared this role of PR/marketing with me since he joined the club committee some years back. Dave had a real passion for the club and had an obvious talent when it came to poster design and such like, and it was great to have such a capable pair of hands to depend on at the times during these past years where my own commitments made it difficult for me to always be available, I know he will greatly missed and fondly remembered, especially when the geese fly over his house in Morrison Place.

Gordon Mackay Publicity Officer Cruden Bay Folk Club

7. Elections:

Election Results as follows:

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

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

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

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

Note : Tansy will be happy to complete the year 2021 but will then be retiring from Treasurer's Duties.

Joint Treasurer -**Mike** proposed by Brian, seconded by Jill and accepted by all.

Publicity + I.T. Officer -**Gordon** proposed by Yvonne, seconded by Mike and accepted by all.

Committee Members: **Jill and Michael** both agreed to remain as committee members for another year.

New Members: There are no new members at this time.

9. **AOCB:**

Yvonne suggested that every effort should be made to introduce younger members onto the Committee if possible.

It is also hoped to encourage Corinne Dixon to join the Committee at a later time, Tansy agreed to contact Corinne in a month or two.

Gordon suggested a Virtual Folk Club Night and advised and discussed how this could be achieved.

- a) Each performer would record themselves singing and playing a song on their phone, then sending it to Gordon via a free app named wetransfer Gordon will e-Mail instructions out for this.
- b) Once we have enough pieces of music and chat Gordon can put it all together in order to produce the Virtual Folk Night, there may even be a RAFFLE!!!!

- c) Suggested date for the event is Friday 26th March submissions to Gordon by Monday 22nd March please.
- d) The finished article would then be available to view on Doric TV and the Folk Club Web Site.

Tansy informed the Committee that the Folk Clubs Bank has changed it's name to Virgin Money and the branch still remains in Peterhead. There were no objections to this.

It is proposed to have a ZOOM Committee Meeting on Monday 12 April 2020 Gordon has agreed to host the meeting and will send out details times etc. prior to the meeting.

10. Yvonne as re-elected Chairperson thanked everyone for attending the A.G.M. then closed the Meeting.

Date for the 2020 A.G.M. Monday 21th February 2021

Scott Thomson (Secretary)