



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time: Wednesday 14th April 2016 7:30 p.m.

1. Attendees: Tanja Mehrer, Tansy Grahame, Angus McCurrach, Brian McAulay, Dave Dixon, Gordon Mackay and Scott Thomson.

Brian as Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and began the agenda.

2. Apologies for absence: Yvonne Bowyer, Jill McWilliams, Mike Bowyer, Russell Taylor

3. Minutes: The minutes from the March meeting were read and accepted by all.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

3.1: Drumming Workshop See events 4:1 It is still being investigated where to keep the drums when not in use, the upstairs room in the Village Hall will be having a spring clean soon, and it is hoped to store them there, but a concern was raised by the Rosemary, the hall convenor, that they should be in a secure cupboard or box where they could not be damaged. **Ongoing...**Tansy to E-Mail Rosemary for an update...**Action Tansy.**

The next drumming workshop is on Sunday 15th May 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Village Hall. Gordon to advertise on the Webpage...**Action Gordon.**

3.2: Beginners Guitar Workshop: Suggested date would be June or July, Brian to set up a meeting at the Killie with Dave Cherry, Gordon, Scott and Russell to see what they can provide in the way of tuition and what Materials , Instruments etc. would be required...**Action Brian.**

3.3: New Wireless Sound System: 2 x Radio Microphones and Transmitters have been returned, by Brian, to the supplier as they both have intermittent faults, they are both to be replaced.

Awaiting Yvonne's information from the online music shop "Hobgoblin" in regard to the Folk Club purchasing Music and Mike stands....**Action Yvonne.**

With her full attention being given to raffle sales and the preparation for the raffle draw, Tansy cannot give a full commitment to learning the operation of the Sound System. The decision was taken to put the training on hold until Tanja is available.

3.4: Singing Workshop: Will be held with Janice on Sunday 16 April at St. James Church from 2:00 pm-4:00pm, 16 places have already been booked. All Welcome.

3.5: Songbook: Dave has agreed to work on the songbook over the next two weeks and that some copies would be available for the Folk Club on the 29th April to be used in the Session....**Action Dave.**

3.6: Hall Bookings: It was agreed that Tansy would be the sole contact in regard to booking the village hall for Club Rehearsals, Events etc., this is to save any confusion with Bookings and Invoices. Rosemary also requires dates for the Block Bookings of the hall, this to be fully addressed at the next meeting, **calendars at the ready...****Action All.**

4. New Business:

4.1 Events Report:

4.1.1 Drumming Workshop: A very successful workshop was held in the village hall on Sunday 20th March, with 9 adults in attendance and 5 under 16's.

4.1.2 African Drumming workshop: It has been decided to hold both an African Drumming Workshop and an African Singing workshop over 2 days in November with Bruce.

The costs are £200 per 3 hour workshop. Ticket price still to be decided.

4.1.3 Alison Bruce Singing Workshop: Alison is well known within Choral groups and choirs and often holds workshops of up to eighty participants.

Alison offers a full day singing workshop 10:00am - 4:00pm at a cost of £350 + Travelling Expenses £60 the fee would increase if the number of participants were over 50.

It was decided to look into booking Alison in January / February 2017, with an entry price of £15 for half a day, and £25 for the full day. A half day option was suggested by Scott and agreed by Brian and all, as a full days singing could be quite hard on the vocal system.

4.1.4 Halloween Ceilidh 29th October 2016: A price has come back from the Edinburgh Ceilidh Band but it is too expensive for our budget.

We are still awaiting a price from the Blue Grass Ceilidh Band.

It was suggested to officially contact Kenny McKenzie who plays with the Ceilidh Band " The Rolling Stovies" as Kenny had intimated that the band may charge £100 per member , six in the band =£600, this would be more like the figure for our budget...**Action Tanja.**

Gordon has agreed to contact Sandy Tweedle to see if Sandy could put together a ceilidh band and what the costs would be.

4.2 March Folk Night: A very quiet night due to it being the Easter Weekend. Well done to the few players who held the night together.

It was also agreed that each member should bring a **Song to the Session** to help the session part of the night kick off.

The extra speaker in the vestibule was a great success, well done Gordon.

4.3 Treasurer's Report: Tansy reported on November Finances

Previous Total: £2955.25

Income

January Folk Club Raffle	£152.00
Drumming Workshop	£ 45.00
Total	<u>£197.00</u>

Expenses

Drums	£624.65
Stencil	£ 10.40
Raffle Prizes	£ 29.93
Hall Hire	£225.00
Drum Workshop Refreshments	£ 5.00
Card & Flowers for Lucy	£ 10.00
Total	<u>£ 904.98</u>

New Total £2955.25 + £197 -£904.98 = £2247.27

5.0 CBFC Promotion and Publicity: Nothing to Report.

6.0 A.O.C.B.: Nothing to Report.

7.0 Date of next Meeting:

Brian then closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Next Meeting: Thursday 12th May 2016 07:30 in the Killie

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)