



## CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time: Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018 8:30 p.m.

1. Attendees: Jill McWilliams, Fiona Heddle, Yvonne Bowyer, Tansy Grahame, Angus McCurrach, Brian McAulay, Dave Dixon, Mike Bowyer, Michael Hendry and Scott Thomson.
2. Apologies for absence: Jane Pettigrew, Gordon Mackay.

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

3. Minutes: The minutes from the January 2017 meeting were read and accepted by all.

### Matters arising from previous minutes

3.1: 2017 Annual Charity Donation: It was proposed by Angus to support the new Food Bank which is presently being set up in Peterhead, this would assist in the setting up costs e.g. paint and decoration of the new premises. It was agreed by all that the sum of £200 be donated to this worthwhile cause. Angus to organise payment with Mike....**Action Angus and Mike**

3.2: Sunnybank Concert: Yvonne has volunteered to check available dates with the choir for a concert at Sunnybank sometime at the end of March, Scott to check these dates with the other performers. ...**Action Yvonne and Scott**

3.3: Folk Club T-Shirts: Yvonne to purchase a few samples for review and then take orders for the Tee Shirts, these must be paid when the order is placed. ...**Action Yvonne**

**3.4: Club Name:** After discussion regarding the wider genre of music that we play and perhaps the wrong message being sent out in the club title, it was finally agreed to retain the title "Cruden Bay Folk Club" but with the additional logo "Music for Folk" this will be the new logo for the T-Shirts as a trial then adopted as the new club name. It is also planned to have a new button badge produced with the same design as the Tee Shirts.

**3.5: Review of the January Folk Night:** A good turnout in regard to audience but due to whatever circumstances there were only a few performers on the night, that said, the evening was a success, a special thanks goes to Dave Cherry for performing and wife Jean who delivered his guitar to the Killie. That in itself shows the spirit we have at the Folk Club.

#### **4. New Business**

**4.1: Folk Club Evening Format:** The following points were also discussed at length:-

- Ways to re-invigorate the folk nights.
- How to attract more performers to the Folk Club.
- Obtaining the balance of Performance to the audience ( some of whom are only there for an evening meal) and our regular audience in relation to the Session part of the evening.

It was finally decided to shake things up a bit with the following changes:-

- As a trial it was decided to kick start the evening with a session involving all the players, this will be on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February (Country & Western Theme Night).
- The March Folk Night on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March will be in the **Lounge** and will be **unplugged**
- The April Folk Night on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April will be back in the Dining Room and will be the launch of the **Fonsecas** new **album**, format of the evening still to be decided.

## 4.2 Treasurer's Report: Mike as Vice Treasurer reported on the January Finances

Previous Total      £2643.83

### November

#### Income

Donation to the Choir singing at the Xmas Tree Light Up Dec 2017	£ 50.00
November Folk Club Raffle	£138.00
Total	<u>£188.00</u>

#### Expenses

Raffle Prizes	£ 18.16
Total	<u>£ 18.16</u>

Total              £2643.83 + £188.00 - £ 18.16 = £2813.67

5.0 CBFC Promotion and Publicity: None

## 6.0 Future Events.

6.1 Future Events: It is hoped to have an unplanned Saturday afternoon session of music in the summer outside on the Killie Lawn just turn up with the toys and play. Watch this space.

6.2 Shetland or Orkney Visit: discussions were held into the feasibility of a crowd of us going to Shetland or Orkney either during their Folk Festivals or at another time, requires "Tansy the Organiser".

6.3 Stonehaven Folk Club 11<sup>th</sup> May: Dave asked if we would spread the word that Folk Singer Ewan McLellan will be playing at the Town Hall, worth going along to see him.

6.4 Fonseca's New Album Launch: April Folk Club Night.

## **7.0 A.O.C.B**

**7.1 Raffles:** Jill and Fiona have volunteered to assist in the selling of raffle tickets at the Folk Club nights. Tansy has offered assist in the purchase of the raffle prizes if not working away.

## **8.0 Date of next Meeting:**

Yvonne then closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Next Meeting: **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018 07:30** in the Killie

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)