



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location : Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time : Wednesday 16th January 2013 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Angelika Eberhard, Tansy Grahame, Tanya Mehrer, Liz Oates, Kenny McKenzie, Angus McCurrach , Brian McAulay, Gordon McKay, Jim Ferguson, Scott Thomson

Angelika, as Chairperson, welcomed all to the meeting and began the agenda

1. **Apologies for absence** Hilda Cooper-Thomson, Ewan McKay, Dave Cherry
2. **Minutes** The minutes from the December meeting were read and accepted by all
3. **Matters arising from previous minutes**

Prompt start: Gordon had made up a card which was (with the agreement of the hotel) placed on the corner table requesting that it be vacated by eight forty five for Folk Club use this worked well on the night. The table was replaced after the Open Mike session which helped to remove that focal point for the session, due to the layout of the lounge a best endeavours attitude should be adopted to spread the Musicians / Players / Audience equally.

Raffle: The limitation of prizes helped keep the raffle time to a minimum and the raffle does play an important role in the night's entertainment with enjoyment for all.

It was agreed by all the Tansy keeps the raffle prizes at home to check on use by dates etc.

Martin and Lucy have said that the presentation of a bottle of spirits for the raffle will be on a regular basis (Thanks to them both for that)

Sound System: The extra amplification at the last Folk Club helped carry the sound throughout the lounge this should suffice until the installation of the permanent P.A.

system is in place. The Table Mike will still be available during the session if the need arises.

Club Promotion: Gordon will contact Kenny King in regard to a competition on Waves Radio to promote the club he will report back at the next meeting on costs, and viability. **Action .. Gordon**

Club Song " Cruden Water" The December Folk Club was ended with the song and worked well at bringing the evening to a close. Recording of the song is planned to begin on Saturday 19th January. **Action .. Jim, Scott , Brian ,Kenny**

4. Review of November Folk Night The following points were agreed unanimously

The Folk Night was again well attended especially for the time of year with perhaps fewer players than November due to other commitments at that time of year.

Dianna the Storyteller was great success with everyone enthralled by her tale of the Wooden Sword, it is hoped that this will become a regular part of the folk night.

The club anthem "Cruden Water" was played and sung by all to bring the evening to a close, this worked well and will be carried on to all club nights.

5. Treasurer's Report Tansy reported that our finances were healthy with around £300 in club funds. Raffle Prizes will require to be purchased for the February club night.

6. Use of Funds raised from Raffle The following points were agreed unanimously

The possibility of holding a concert or a small festival event would require funding from the club, this is being investigated by Angus who will report back to the committee once the details are available. **Action .. Angus**

There may also be funding required for future publicity and the upkeep of the club website Gordon to advise **Action .. Gordon**

7. Programme for Burns Night

The following Burns songs will be performed on the night

Ye Jacobites: The Choir

Green Grow the Rashes: Ewan and Gordon

Killicrankie: Jim

Rosy May + Kissing my Katie: Scott

It is hoped that all attending will wear a bit of tartan and the performers will include at least one burns song or poem in their repertoire.

There will also be a rendition of **Tam 'o Shanter** by Gordon

It is proposed that a special raffle prize (a Haggis !) be acquired for the night

Action .. Tansy

It is hoped that the hotel may provide burns type nibbles (Haggis flavoured crisps etc Brian to investigate **Action .. Brian**

8. Irish Theme Night at March Folk Club

It is proposed to have an Irish theme for St. Patricks day celebrations with the performers including at least one Irish song as with the Burns night and all attending to wear something with a bit of green included.

9. CBFC Promotion and Publicity

Liz suggested the idea of Tee-Shirts and Mugs with a logo for the Club, it is hoped to have a choice of black and white Tee Shirts.

The logo has to be designed, Gordon has taken on this task **Action .. Gordon**

The cost of producing the Tee-Shirts and Mugs would have to be investigated, Liz has offered assistance with this **Action .. Liz**

10. A.O.C.B.

The song writing Competition ,an original idea from Gordon ,should be re-visited with the plan to have an original work performed each month, then after a set time all the

songs would be performed at perhaps a special Folk Night and the winner selected on the night. It is hoped to make a start in the Spring, to be further investigated.

It is planned to build up the contact list of people interested in the Folk Club and wishing to be kept up to date with on-going events. Gordon is to produce cards to be handed round on the club night to collect the E-Mail addresses.

11 Date of Next Meeting and Close

Angelika closed the meeting thanking everyone for attending and a next meeting date of **Wednesday 13th February 2013** was agreed.

Scott Thomson (Secretary CBFC)