



## CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel    Date & Time: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2014 7:00 p.m.

Attendees: Angelika Eberhard, Liz Oats, Tansy Grahame, Angus McCurrach, Brian McAulay, Jim Ferguson, Gordon McKay, Kenny McKenzie, Dave Dixon, Scott Thomson

Brian as Chairperson, welcomed all to the meeting and began the Agenda

1. **Apologies for absence**    Tanya Mehrer, Dave Cherry
  
2. **Minutes**    The minutes from the December meeting were read and accepted by all
  
3. **Matters arising from previous minutes**

**3.1 Committee Meetings and Practise Session Venue:** A Trial has been proposed by Gordon and accepted by all that the next committee meeting be held in the Masonic Hall in the village followed by a practise Session of material for the following Club Night. A small fee would be payable to the Lodge for heating and Lighting costs but the use of the hall would be free to the Club. The next proposed date is the **17<sup>th</sup> January at 7:00 o clock**. **Due to unforeseen circumstances the lodge could not be used for the January meeting, this will now be the venue for the February meeting on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February**

**3.2 Football Club Request:** Brian has contacted the Football Club in regard to the Folk Club being unable at this time to provide entertainment for their Burns Supper....**Closed**

**3.3 Christmas Gift:** Thanks go to Tansy for organising the Christmas gift for Lucy and Martin and their dogs. The doggie goodies were much appreciated...**Closed**

## **4, New Business**

**4.1 Workshops:** Tansy suggested setting up a Sub-Committee to organise the proposed workshops at the January meeting. This was agreed by all and the nominations taken and elected on to the Sub-Committee. Members are Tansy, Angus, Dave Dixon and Scott, It is hoped to begin the workshops in March and thereafter on a monthly basis. The costs will have to be evaluated and perhaps a small entrance fee would be required for the workshops. Actions arising are

Lorna McLaren to be contacted regarding the Slow Jam Sessions...**Action...Scott**

Contact with SCAT ( Scottish Culture and Traditions ) to be made find out what is available through them in the way of workshops that we hopefully could benefit from  
**Action...Dave Dixon, Angus**

Information to be sought in regard to Disclosure Scotland and the requirements for the Club if the workshops are open to children **Action... Liz, Tansy**

Tansy to contact Janice who provides singing workshops for availability and costs  
**Action...Tansy**

**4.2 Song Book:** After much discussion regarding the type and actual size and content of the proposed Song Book, the following points were agreed

- To collate as much material, hopefully including Lyrics and Chords, from ourselves and fellow folkies to be then sifted through and songs selected for the book
- To ascertain the position regarding Copy write
- To decide on type and size of Song Book
- To calculate costs of production of the Book
- Brian is to send out a copy of Scott Sorenson's Song Book as an example of what we could produce

## Action...All

**4.3 Folk Club CD:** This has been put on hold for the present time, but will be looked at this year

**4.4 Folk Club Themes:** The following themes for 2014 were proposed by the committee

- **January :** Robert Burns
- **February:** Love Songs
- **March:** Irish
- **April:** Comedy
- **May:** Rolling Stones
- **June:** Nostalgia ( Old Favourites )
- **July:** Country and Country & Western
- **August:** Bob Dylan
- **September:** Autumn and Harvest
- **October:** Halloween
- **November:** World Songs
- **December:** Christmas

Gordon has offered to set up a voting form on the web Site with various themes in order that members of the Folk Club can show their preferences

Once collated a final list of Themes will be produced **Action...Gordon**

**4.5 Review of December Folk Night:** A great turn out on the night with standing room only which always adds to the atmosphere in the room. A first for the Club was Chris on the Saxophone and another excellent voice, his daughter Jaz accompanied by another Chris on guitar. Also a first was our own Ewan on Cello accompanied by two lovely young ladies Fiona McLachlan and Caitlin Davies both on violin, we also had wonderful rendition of "The Arcadian Love Song" by the choir and the star of the night was Gordon's grand-daughter Layla who sang " Twas on a Starry Night " Where else could such a variety of music be found

Thanks go to all those who donated raffle prizes and sold tickets for the special Christmas raffle, the returns to be donated to " Peterhead Aged and Infirm "

**4.6 January Folk Night:** The theme is Robert Burns with Gordon giving his brilliant rendition of "Tam 'o Shanter". Gordon shall also M.C. on the night as Scott is unavailable

The choir will be singing "Ye Jacobites by Name" and "John Anderson my Jo"

Gordon has offered to Co-ordinate by E-Mail the Burns Songs for the night to avoid duplication. **Action....Gordon**

It is hoped that the Hotel may provide little Haggis Bites as they did last January as they went down a treat with the audience

It is also hoped that Jason will be in attendance with his bagpipes on the night maybe to pipe in the Haggis Bites !!

Raffle tickets will be sold in the bar by Brian and Dave Cherry and the raffle drawn by our very own raffle master drawer Gordon. Brian has requested that the raffle tickets be left behind the bar to allow sales to start as soon as possible on the night, Tansy agreed to leave them there **Action...Tansy**

**4.7: CBFC Promotion and Publicity:** The picture of the presentation of the cheque to Jim Brown from Peterhead Aged and Infirm has appeared in the Buchanie along with a short statement regarding the donation. The Club has also received a letter of thanks from Peterhead Aged and Infirm

Andrew Brown from CAIR Scotland came along to the committee meeting to thank the Club for the donation and a picture taken of the presentation of the cheque which Gordon will put on to the Web Site

**5.0 Treasurer's Report:** Tansy reported that the funds were growing steadily and looking great for the Clubs planned events in the summer ( see OACB )

**Previous Total:** £1271.73

**Income:** December Raffle £201.50

**Expenditure:** Xmas Present Lucy and Martin £19.58

Donation to Peterhead Aged and Infirm £200

**Total at present:** £ 1253.65

**6.0 A.O.C.B.:** Jill McWilliam had put forward a request to join the Folk Club Committee, this was unanimously accepted and Jill will be welcomed on to the committee at next month's meeting

Gordon informed the meeting of a Burns Supper hosted by the Lodge in the Killie on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> February the tickets are £25 and are limited to 60.

There will be a Fish Festival held at Cruden Bay harbour on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> August in aid of the harbour repair funds with cooking demonstrations and tasting, and various stalls. The Folk Club has been requested to provide the entertainment in the form of

- Some music in the afternoon perhaps in Tansy's garden with a small P.A. to catch the visitors on their way to the harbour
- An evening concert in the Marquee from 7:30 until Midnight.

It is hoped to involve all the Club players and the bands The Rebos and Oxbow Lake

Liz is one of the organisers for the event and will liaise with Tansy and Brian regarding what we can provide.

Liz will contact Fiona Kennedy to find out if there is a possibility of Fiona appearing with us and Headlining the evening's entertainment **Action...Liz**

**7.0 Date of next Meeting and Close:** Brian closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending

Next Meeting: **Masonic Hall Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7:00 o clock.**

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)