

## CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

# July / August Joint Minutes

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2014 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tansy Grahame, Jill McWilliams, Liz Oates

Angus McCurrach, Brian McAulay, Gordon McKay, Dave Dixon, Scott Thomson.

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

- 1. Apologies for absence: Tanya Mehrer.
- 2. Minutes: The minutes from the June meeting were read and accepted by all
- 3. Matters arising from previous minutes
  - 3.1 Songbook: Gordon to send out E-Mail reminder to all those who have still to send in their two songs to be put into the book, can you please respond to allow progression of this. Action...Gordon
  - 3.2 Singing Workshop: Tansy to contact Janice to arrange another singing workshop in September or October. Once some dates are known, Tansy will contact everyone to pick the best date. Action...Tansy
  - 3.3 Drumming Workshop: Tansy and Angus will set up a date for the Drumming Workshop. Action... Tansy / Angus
  - 3.4 Slow Jam Session: Scott will E-Mail Lorna. Action... Scott

#### 4. New Business

- **4.1 Scottish Week Concert:**  $24^{th}$  July in the Community Centre Peterhead, a great success, with the concert being a sell-out and £1500 being raised as charitable support for the future.
- **4.2 Skip Gorman Concert**: Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July, in the Dining Room at the Killie, another great night and again a sell-out. The only downside being the loss of revenue from meals by loss of the dining room, It was suggested that future events should be planned for the winter months once the Club has re-located to the Dining Room, where the requirement for meals would lessen from the summer months. This will be an agenda point for the September meeting prior to the relocation in October.

It was also proposed by Tansy and agreed by all that a present should be given to Lucy and Martin to show appreciation for their support in putting on the concert, suggestion was flowers and some golf balls.

- **4.3** Collieston Gala: A good few of the Folk Club Performers turned up to support the Gala on the Thursday night in the Marquee which proved to be a most enjoyable Evening.
- **4.4 Fish Festival:** Gordon informed the Committee that Sandy Tweddle had been in touch regarding another possible booking for the same Saturday was in the offing, but it is hoped at this late stage that he will fulfil his commitment to the Festival.

It was proposed by Tansy and agreed by all that as we are paying £150 to Sandy for the Celeidh part of the night that the other two bands should be offered ten pounds per member to show a level playing field in regard to expenses. This would bring a new total for the festival as shown

Sound Engineer £170, Sandy Tweddle £150, Rebos £50, Oxbows £80: Total £450

4.4 Review of June / July Folk Nights: A great audience turn out for two summer months when there are lots of things on the go, we really have a good audience base now. The June night with it's Songs from Scotland theme and the Trains, Planes and Automobiles of the July night were equally a great entertainment and enjoyment for all, players and audience alike.

June Figures	
Income:	
Income March Raffle	£ 138.10
Expenditure:	
Singing Workshop Hall Charges	£ 22.00
Raffle Prizes for June	£ 29.00
Total:	+ <u>£ 87.10</u>
Skip Gorman Concert Figures	
Income:	
Income Ticket Sales	£ 259.59
Income Raffle	£ 140.00
Expenditure:	
Gift to Skip	€ 150.00
Raffle Prizes for Concert	€ 17.42
Total:	+ <u>£ 267.58</u>
July Figures	
Income:	
Income March Raffle	£ 144.00
Expenditure:	
Scottish Week Concert rehearsals Hall C	harges £ 40.00
Raffle Prizes for July	£ 23.54
Total:	+ £ 87.10

**4.6 August Folk night theme:** This will be an "Anything Goes" night a chance to perform something different!!

Gordon the Raffle Maestro will be drawing the lucky winners with Brian ensuring there are plenty of possible winners.

**4.7 CBFC Promotion and Publicity:** Gordon has offered to produce a new poster for the window in the Killie Lounge to advertise the Folk Club night.

#### 5.0 A.O.C.B:

- **5.1 Requests for Club Support**: It was discussed how the club should deal with these requests, in regard to short notice and any expenses incurred. It was agreed by all that all requests should be discussed at the first available Committee Meeting after the request is made. Points to be taken into account would be.
- a) Details of the request, playing time, where and when.
- b) Expenses incurred, If it is a charity event this would not apply.
- c) Availability of Performers.
- d) Rehearsal time.

There is at present a request to the Club to perform for the Peterhead Pensioners in early 2015 at the Pensioners Hall in Windmill Street Peterhead, more details will be sought by myself prior to discussion at the next meeting...Action..Scott.

- **5.2** Committee Members: After the resignation of Six of our committee members, Hilda, Angelika, Kenny, Ewan, Dave Cherry and Jim it was decided to ask a few of the club regulars, Russell, Choir members, Christine and Phyllis if they would like to become committee members...Action...Tanya.
- **5.3** Club Sound Equipment: It was proposed by Brian and myself that the Club should have it's own sound equipment which could be smaller and portable (for change of venue in the Killie and concerts out with the Killie) and include Wireless Mikes and Direct Inputs for Instruments which would remove the necessity for cable tangles.

Gordon has offered to contact "Aberdeen Lighting and Sound "to find out what is available...Action... Gordon.

**5.4** Charitable Donations: Liz requested that the Committee consider the same amount of donation as was given last year at Christmas Time. Liz also reminded us that Cair Scotland would need time to organise presents and things for the kids and that an early donation would be much appreciated.

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Charity Support: The Club has been given great feedback from Cair Scotland, one of the charities that we are supporting this year with a £200 donation made last week. We have also learned that where children could not get to a Christmas party, the charity would go out to the houses with presents for them, well done to Liz for all her efforts with this. It is planned to have a picture taken for the press with Liz presenting a cheque to the charity.

The other charity is **Peterhead Aged and infirm** who support the elderly in the community, including Cruden Bay and surrounding areas. They provide a minibus service to provide transport where required and breaks for carers, caravan holidays and much more. All the raffle takings on the December Folk night will be donated to the charity. The Committee have all agreed to bring along a prize for the raffle with the donation of a Microwave from the Secretary as one of the Main Prizes. It is hoped for a good turn out on the night and a good return on the raffle for the charity.

This will be an agenda point for the October meeting.

5.5 Club T- Shirts: Tansy informed the committee that there are still T-Shirts available in the Gift Shop and also some Club Motifs which can be transferred onto a Tee Shirt supplied by the individual.

6.0 Date of next Meeting and Close: Brian closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Next Meeting: 07:30pm Wednesday 10th September 2014

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)