



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time: Friday 14th March 2014 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tansy Grahame, Tanya Mehrer, Angus McCurrach,
Brian McAulay, Dave Dixon, Gordon McKay, Scott Thomson.

Brian welcomed all to the meeting and proposed a thanks to Kenny for all his time and effort that he had put in to being a committee member, and that he will be missed for his ideas and cheerful banter this was agreed by all.

Brian then began the Agenda

1. **Apologies for absence:** Angelika Eberhard, Jill McWilliam , Liz Oats, Dave Cherry, Jim Ferguson.
2. **Minutes:** The minutes from the February meeting were read and accepted by all
3. **Matters arising from previous minutes**

3.1 Committee Meetings and Practise Session Venue: There will be the trial meeting at the St. Olaf Lodge Hall at the next meeting on Friday 18th April, committee members should meet in the Killie first at 07:30 pm prior to going over to the lodge.

3.2 Songbook: Brian has sent out a sample copy of what the book may follow as a template. It was agreed that the Songbook should include about twenty songs and be in an A5 Booklet. Gordon advised the committee on how this could be done with the use of a double sided printer.

There would also be a page put on to the Website giving a background to the songs, with a guide to the actual Webpage on the back cover of the Songbook.

Each member of the committee is to propose a couple of songs that they would like to be part of the Songbook, these should include key, lyrics and chords. then E-Mail them to Gordon who has agreed to produce a sample Booklet. **Action...All**

3.3 Web Site Voting Form for Monthly Themes: Gordon has installed a Theme Selection page on the site to enable our members to input their choice of theme and also vote from a nominated selection, the winner being announced at the previous Folk Night. This will be trialled for a year.

The theme for March is still **Bob Dylan** and April will be **Comedy** but the May Theme will be by vote, announced at the April Folk Night, **Action...Gordon**

3.4 Workshops: Tansy has booked the Village Hall for a singing workshop with Janice Clark for over 16's on Saturday 7th June from 1:30 - 4:00 pm, the tickets are now on sale for the event at £5 a head with twenty places available. (See Gordon's brilliant handiwork below)



in association with
Cruden Bay Folk Club
**Traditional Scottish Song
& Harmony Singing Workshop**

Will be held in Cruden Bay Village Hall on Saturday 7th June from 2pm to 4pm
Both male and female singers of all abilities welcome (over 16s only) Cost £5 per person.
The workshop will be led by the accomplished Scottish singer **Janice Clark**

Places are limited to 20 and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis.

A similar workshop for under 16's could also be held at a future date if there is sufficient interest.
To book your place at the workshop email the Folk Club at CrudenBayFolkClub@outlook.com

The hire of the Village Hall is £22 which is very reasonable for two and a half hours.

Depending on the success of the day and feedback for a children's singing workshop, this may be arranged with Janice at a later date.

Scott is still awaiting further contact from Lorna McLaren on the Slow Jam workshop, but due to Lorna's health, this has been put on hold at the present time. Kenny has offered to contact Lorna, as he knows Lorna well, to try and find out where we are at in regard to the Slow Jam Workshop and costs and numbers that can attend. Scott will tie up with Kenny on this. **Action...Scott**

Dave Dixon has contacted SCAT (Scottish Culture and Traditions) and is awaiting details of contacts within the group and what they can provide as a workshop. Dave will produce this at the next meeting **Action...Dave Dixon,**

The situation regarding Disclosure where children and vulnerable adults may be involved in the workshops is ongoing and a detailed plan of action for the club to be decided on. **Action... Liz, Tansy**

4, New Business

4.1 Cruden Bay Fish Festival Saturday 23rd August: An official reply to the letter from the Port Errol Harbour Committee has been written, giving the Folk Clubs full support for the event, this was presented and approved by all at the meeting and will be sent out to Liz. **Action... Scott**

It was proposed by Tansy that the Folk Club , in support of the Harbour Restoration Fund, would underwrite any reasonable expenses incurred in proving entertainment at the event, this was Seconded by Angus and agreed by all.

The limit of expense has still to be agreed , (a suggestion of £10 per head was put forward by Tansy) and also whether this would be an across the board payment to all or where a payment for expenses was requested by the performer.

A list of performers on the day to be made up for the next meeting along with any requirement for payment of expenses. **Action..All**

4.2 Review of February Folk Night: A great debt is owed to the few players who kept the Folk Night going, as due to varying circumstances there were only these few players available, a massive thank you to Brian, Gordon, Dave Cherry for organising the

night and Andy Clucas who despite a heavy cold gave support, also to all in the audience who helped by coming forward to sing, Elaine and Co.

It was discussed as to what should be done if again there is a night with very little performers available, Scott proposed that the live performance time be shortened and that a selection of Folk music be played through the P.A. system, (or the Hotel's own system if the P.A. was not available.) More time for chatting and having a social drink. This was agreed by all.

The sound levels of our own P.A. system are to be monitored during the Folk Night and every effort made to balance out the volume such that it can be heard at the bar but not deafen the members sitting in the vicinity of the speakers. **Action..Gordon**

4.2 Treasurer's Report: Tansy informed the committee that the Club Funds were healthy and reported as follows :

Previous Total:	£1391.18
Income January Raffle	£92.00
Expenditure Prizes	£20.34
New Total	<u>£1462.84</u>

4.3 March Folk Night: The Theme for the night is

Robert Allen Zimmerman, born May 24,1941

Who will be 73 years old in a couple of months



Everyone needs a Face pack sometime

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.

Scott will be kicking the evening off with "Like a Rolling Stone" followed by "Lay Lady Lay" the choir will be singing "Blowing in the Wind" and Gordon accompanied by Ewan will be performing "Feel My Love"

4.7: CBFC Promotion and Publicity: Nothing to report

5.0 A.O.C.B.: The Folk Club has been approached by the Scottish Week Committee with an invite to once again take part in a concert (venue and details to follow) for Scottish Week 2014. It is hoped as a club to support this again.

Skip Gorman : The concert with Skip is planned for Tuesday 15th July in the Dining Room at the Killie, ticket allocation and price to be decided at a later date, but should be for around seventy of an audience. (Cowboy hats to be worn!!) The hotel has kindly agreed to provide food and accommodation for Skip.



This gives everyone 3 months to practise their yodelling! (U-Tube :Yellow Rose of Texas it's brilliant)

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

Next Meeting: Friday 18th April (Meet in Killie at 7:30 pm)

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)