

## CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Location: Kilmarnock Arms Hotel Date & Time: Wednesday 16th October 2014 7:30 p.m.

Attendees: Tansy Grahame, Yvonne Bower, Mike Bower, Russell Taylor, Brian McAulay, Jill McWilliams, Mary Doll, Angus McCurrach

Brian as Chairperson welcomed all to the meeting especially our the fourth new member Mary.

- 1. Apologies for absence: Tanya Mehrer, Liz Oates, Gordon McKay, Dave Dixon, Scott Thomson.
- 2. Minutes: The minutes from the September meeting were read and accepted by all.
- 3. Matters arising from previous minutes
  - 3.1 Songbook: Still to be finalised with new input from the four new members with two of their choice songs for the booklet Action...Yvonne, Mary, Mike, Russell, Gordon.
  - 3.2 Singing Workshop: Tansy has arranged the next Singing Workshop (Traditional and Contemporary Songs) at the Village Hall on Sunday  $19^{th}$  October from 2 pm 4 pm. Tickets are £5 (Kids are free but must be accompanied by an Adult) and a maximum of twenty tickets are available. Gordon to assist with advertising the event Action...Gordon

- 3.3 Drumming Workshop: Tansy and Angus have arranged the Drumming Workshop at the Village Hall on Saturday  $8^{th}$  November from 2 pm 4 pm. Tickets are £5 (Kids are free but must be accompanied by an Adult ) some extra drums will be available but it is preferred if attendees can bring along a drum of sorts.
- 20 Tickets are booked so no further promotion is required at this stage.
- 3.4 Slow Jam Session: Lorna has been in contact with Scott and has offered to facilitate the Slow Jam Session charging only her travelling expenses as a taster of what may be a few more workshops. Tansy will check available dates for booking the Village Hall and will contact Lorna to set up a date and time for the workshop once known. For a number of reasons this has been postponed to early 2015
- 3.5 Peterhead Pensioners concert: Scott has been in contact with Jean MacKinnon from Peterhead Pensioners who would like the Folk Club to perform at the Pensioners Hall in Windmill Street on a Wednesday night in March 2015 from 7:00pm to 9:00pm Action...Scott to continue coordination of this event
- 3.5: Club Sound Equipment: Gordon is in discussion with Aberdeen Light and Sound in regard to the best type of equipment to purchase, and also will be contacting Martin and Lucy in regard to fixing the equipment to walls etc at the Hotel. Action...Gordon, but immediate action to be deferred until KIllie make some decisions on in-house sounds

## 4, New Business

**4.1 Review of the September Folk night:** There was a smaller audience on the night as compared to recent club nights, but was another very enjoyable evening, with some interesting performances. The committee all agreed that the Club Night Themes should be left for a while to give free reign to the performers on the evening.

On the running order of the evening, Tansy asked if we could schedule the performers so that there is some space between the acapella performances.

Also it was requested that the Raffle be held earlier, ie start 10.15, finish 10.30.

4.2 Treasurer's Report: Tansy reported on September Finances as follows

Previous Total: £1,872.53

October Figures

Income:

Income Sept Raffle £ 149.50

Expenditure:

Raffle Prizes £ 23.48

Final Total carry forward £1,998.55

4.3 October Folk night theme: Again "Anything Goes "but, after extensive discussions, to be performed in the dining room.

Russell suggested rolling the theme choice in with the raffle ie the star prize winner then dips into a choice of 5 themes for the next event. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting. Action...All

Yvonne offered to arrange the purchase of raffle prizes and new raffle tickets, as Tansy will be on holiday. Action...Yvonne

## 5.0 CBFC Promotion and Publicity:

Gordon (in absentia) to publicise the 1st Nov Folk night, especially new date, & place

## 6.0 A.O.C.B:

- 6.1 Mary has contact with Robyn Stapleton, this year's winner of the BBC Radio Scotland's Young Traditional Musician of the Year award, and highly regarded performer, who has indicated that she would be amenable to doing a gig for us. This was discussed, and it was felt that something similar to the Skip Gorman night would be most appropriate. The first thing to find out is the band's availability and Mary will report on this at the next meeting.
- **6.2** Along similar lines, we discussed the possibility of a **concert/ceilidh / dance**, perhaps in the village hall, at some point in 2015. Everyone to contribute ideas. To be discussed at next meeting. **Action...All**

- 6.3 A Folk Club Committee Christmas meal, as we did last year, has been provisionally booked at the Killie, on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> December, The menu/prices are being created at the moment. Tansy will let everyone know once this is confirmed. Action...Tansy
- 7.0 Date of next Meeting and Close: Brian closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Next Meeting: 07:30pm Wednesday 19th November 2014, which will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting, agenda to follow. Action...Brian & Scott

Brian McAulay PP Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)