



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB

JUNE and JULY 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Location: ZOOM

Date & Time: Wednesday 17th July 2024 7:00 p.m.

1 Attendees: Yvonne Bowyer, Jill McWilliams, Eulyn Pagaling, Janet Sharp, Gordon Mackay, Brian McAulay, and Scott Thomson.

2 Apologies for absence: Tansy Grahame, Jane Pettigrew, Mike Bowyer and Joe McVey

Yvonne as Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and began the agenda.

3 Minutes: The minutes from the Joint April and May 2024 Committee Meeting held on ZOOM on Wednesday 15th May 2024 were read and accepted by all.

Matters arising from previous minutes

3.1 Concert at Riggs Sheltered Housing in Longside:

Janet has taken charge of this, but is finding contact with the Social Organiser for the Riggs to be difficult, with a few messages left but so far no call backs, awaiting reply from Riggs.

3.2 Workshops for 2024:

Review of Singing Workshop: Janet advised that there were twenty seven attendees at the workshop including Morag (the Ythan Singers Choir Master) as facilitator.

Financial breakdown: tickets 26 x £10 =£260 Morag's Fees £150 Hall Fees £90 this left a remainder of £20 which Janet will give to Rosemary as a donation to the hall funds, a very successful workshop, a big thanks to Janet who organised the event and all who helped on the day.

The Registration Form and WhatsApp page, set up by Gordon, worked really well for the event and Gordon informed the Committee that this will be standard practise for all future workshops.

Proposed Guitar Workshop: is still in the planning stage and hopefully will take place later in the year after the Drumming Workshop...**Action Davy, Gordon, Brian, and Scott.**

Drumming Workshop 5th October 2024 11:00am - 4:00pm in Cruden Bay Village Hall: Gordon been in contact with Lisa Leith who runs a small West African drumming group in Huntly and has offered to facilitate a drumming workshop for the Folk Club. The attendance fee for the workshop will be £10 as with the singing workshop and is now adopted as the standard fee unless special circumstance required adjustment. Gordon has been finding out where all the Folk Club Drums are now housed so they can be used on the day.

Financial Support from the Folk Club for the workshops. Gordon requested confirmation that the Folk Club would underwrite any losses made by a workshop to ensure that Facilitator Fees, Hall Fees and other expenses would be paid on the day. This was confirmed as standard practise for the Folk Club. The minimum number of registrations prior to considering cancellation of the event was discussed by the Committee and a figure of 12 finally agreed on.

3.3 Folk night with the Fiere Deems and Silver City Singers:

It was agreed that the best way forward would be to have a quartet of Silver City Singers, as we had before, to provide us with a couple of 20minute sets interspersed with the Fiere Deems and other performers at the club, Brian to liaise with S.C.Singers and provide some dates, possibly September or October ...**Action Brian.**

3.4 Folk Club Equipment:

Scott has purchased another Tiger Music Stand MUS7-BK @£32.99 and another Hercules Mike Stand MS533B @£59.99, these will be in action at the next Folk Night on the 26th July... **Closed.**

3.5 Folk Club Beanie hats for Raffle: Gordon informed the Committee that his son Alan had produced a new golf style cap for the raffle at the Folk Night on the 26th July. The hats are a great success and promotion for the club, worth the winning.

3.6 Review of the May Folk Night on Friday 31st May 2024:

The "Women in Song" theme night provided a brilliant array of performances with covers of some of the best songs recorded in this genre, a fitting tribute to the talent of these singer-songwriters. Well done to all the performers on the night.

3.7 Review of the June Folk Night on Friday 28th June 2024:

Another great turn out of audience and performers with the highlight of the evening being the introduction of the **Cabasa** played by Gordon in the group's brilliant rendition of "In the Summertime" a challenge to the rest of us -- Bring It On !!!



4.0 Treasurer's Report:

Brian reported on the Finances to date.

Last total March and April £3095.76

May Income

Raffle Takings	£241.00
Total Income	£241.00

May Expenses

Raffle Prizes	£ 63.52
Mike Stand and Music Stand	£ 92.98
Total Expenditure	<u>£ 156.50</u>

New Total (£3095.76 + 241.00 - 156.50) = **£3180.26**

June Income

Raffle Takings	£153.00
Total Income	<u>£153.00</u>

June Expenses

Raffle Prizes	£ 47.91
Total Expenditure	<u>£ 47.91</u>

New Total (£3180.26 + 153.00 -47.91) = **£3285.35**

5.0 CBFC Promotion and Publicity:

- 5.1 Thanks goes to Gordon for setting up the new Folk Club Facebook Page after deleting the two rogue pages which were compromised and could not be accessed for Admin Control.
- 5.2 Gordon has ordered a new pop-up banner to be set up where ever the Folk Club are playing to give information on the club itself to all those who see it.



6.0 Future Events

6.1 Saturday Afternoon 3rd August: Buchanhaven Harbour Concert times TBA.

6.2 Saturday Night 3rd August: Kilmarnock arms Norwegian visitor's concert times TBA.

6.3 Friday Afternoon 13th September: St James Church Cruden Bay times TBA.

6.4 Wednesday Night 18th September: Riggs Sheltered Housing 7:30pm-9:30pm

6.5 Friday Afternoon 19th February 2025: Buchan Heritage Society Longside Parish Church Hall 2pm - 4pm.

Note: Whats-App groups have been set up for all the above, for anyone interested in attending the event to join.

7.0 A.O.C.B.

7.1 The possible theme for September was discussed and an agreement reached that Gordon would put something on the club's Whats - App page for opinions and suggestions on what the next theme could be.

7.2 A young American singer-songwriter Claire Olsen is in the area at the moment and has requested a spot at the next Folk Night, this was agreed by all and time will be allocated to Claire to perform a few songs.

8.0 Date of next ZOOM Committee Meeting

Wednesday 11th September 2024 7:00pm

Yvonne then closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

7.0 Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)