



CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB

AUGUST and SEPTEMBER 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Location: ZOOM

Date & Time: Wednesday 11th September 2024 7:00 p.m.

1 Attendees: Yvonne Bowyer, Jill McWilliams, Eulyn Pagaling, Janet Sharp, Mike Bowyer Gordon Mackay, Joe McVey and Scott Thomson.

2 Apologies for absence: Jane Pettigrew and Brian McAulay

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

3 Minutes: The minutes from the Joint June and July 2024 Committee Meeting held on ZOOM on Wednesday 17th July 2024 were read and accepted by all.

Matters arising from previous minutes

3.1 Concert at Riggs Sheltered Housing in Longside:

Concert to take place on Wednesday 18th September, Gordon has set up a Whats-App group for performers to confirm attendance.....**Closed.**

3.2 Workshops for 2024:

Proposed Guitar Workshop: Scott proposed that, as the Folk Club funds are in a healthy state, that perhaps a guitar Workshop could be set up on a Saturday afternoon along with the professional player / players (possibly a band like Brother-Sea) who would be heading the concert in the hall on the Saturday evening, to be discussed further once more information and costs are determined....**Action Scott.**

Gordon also suggested that perhaps a couple of free entry workshops should be considered as a means of giving back to the members who support the club, to be

discussed again once the numbers of attendees for the drumming workshop are known.

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.

Update : Janet has offered to organise the push to get the numbers up for the workshop, Gordon informed us that the Folk Club have 11 drums available with a few other drums available from the Committee and Lisa herself.

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

Awaiting input from Brian as to a date (Possibly October/November) for some of the Silver City Singers to come to a Folk Night to perform a couple of 20min sets probably one before the raffle break and the other after **Ongoing...Action Brian.**

3.6 Review of the July Folk Night on Friday 26th July 2024:

Another brilliant night with special guests Canadian+ Singer Songwriter Claire Olsen accompanied by husband to be Scott, a local lad who was performing in public for the first time, they were superb and hope to visit the club again. It was a full house as usual and a great session at the end.

3.7 Review of the August Folk Night on Friday 30th August 2024:

What a night!! We had trombone from Adrian accompanied by Angus on the Ukulele



Also Kris on the Sarod (In the picture) accompanied by Kenny on Bass and Angus on Drum. A great variety of performers which only left a little time for a session but a most enjoyable evening.

4.0 Treasurer's Report:

Brian reported on the Finances to date.

Last total May and June **£3285.35** : **Awaiting figures for July and August Income and Expenditure.**

5.0 CBFC Promotion and Publicity:

5.1 Great design work and a great fund-raising idea from Gordon. The postcards, as shown below, will also be used as the star prize in the Folk Club raffles. A bargain at £3 for the pack of 6 postcards. It is planned to present a set of cards to each of the ten French visitors from Chatillon Sur Indre for the village twinning signing.

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Cruden Bay Retro Postcard 6 Pack



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6.0 A.O.C.B.

6.1 Recruiting Drive for the Fiere Deems choir:

The deems are on a recruitment drive to up the numbers in the choir, Gordon has designed a poster for them as shown below.



6.2 Future Theme Nights for the Folk Club:

Various options were discussed by the committee but all agreed that it should be put to the members to have their say in what the Theme would be. Yvonne has offered to carry out a survey of what themes would be preferred using Whats-App as the medium for conversations.

6.3 Final numbers of performers for the concert at Riggs on Wednesday 18th September in Longside:

Scott mentioned that due to the size restrictions in the Common Room of the Sheltered Housing Complex there could be a problem with space in regard to the number of performers. Janet has offered to find out the exact number who will be performing on the night.

6.4 Fiona Kennedy's Kitchen Concert: A huge thank you to all the Folk Club performers who managed to come along to the Killie on Monday 2nd September to take part in Fiona's kitchen concert which is recorded live through Facebook to a waiting world, great publicity for the Folk Club.

7.0 Future Events

7.1 Wednesday Night 18th September 2024: Concert at Riggs Longside 7pm - 9pm

7.2 Friday Night 27th September 2024: Folk Night 8:30pm - 11:30pm

7.3 Saturday Afternoon 5th October 2024: Cruden Bay Hall Drumming Workshop 11:00am - 4:30pm

7.4 Friday Night 5th October 2024: Session with Kris in the Green Room 7:00pm start

7.5 Monday 14th October 2024: Concert in the Killie Dining Room for the French visitors from Chatillon Sur Indre for the village twinning signing 7pm - 9pm

7.6 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.

8.0 Date of next ZOOM Committee Meeting

Wednesday 13th November 2024 7:00pm

Yvonne then closed the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

Scott Thomson (CBFC Secretary)