

CRUDEN BAY FOLK CLUB EGM MEETING MINUTES

Location: ZOOM

Date & Time: Wednesday 19th February 2025 7:00 p.m.

<u>1Attendees</u>: Angelika McKenzie, Jill McWilliams, Eulyn Pagaling, Janet Sharp, Mike Bowyer, Gordon Mackay, Brian McAulay, Joe McVey and Scott Thomson.

<u>2</u> <u>Apologies for absence</u>: Jane Pettigrew, Joyce Morris and Len Morris.

Reasons for EGM:

- 1) Following on from Yvonne's resignation as Chairperson of the Cruden Bay Folk Club and Angelika not only becoming a new Committee member, but also offering to fill the post as Chairperson, it was decided that a meeting should be called to make the change of Chairperson official, and also to welcome Joyce and Len Morris as new Committee Members of the Club.
- 2) To discuss the forthcoming benefit concert in aid of the Cruden Bay Hall funds on the 16th May 2025.

Election of New Members:-

The meeting began with Mike as Vice Chairperson welcoming the new Committee Members to the club and starting the Election of Chairperson. Angelika was proposed by Gordon, seconded by Brian and accepted by all present. As there were no other nominees Angelika was formally selected as Chairperson.

Joyce and Len Morris are still abroad at this time, so in their absence they were proposed as new Committee Members by Scott, seconded by Gordon and accepted by all present.

Mike then handed the meeting over to Angelika as new Chairperson.

Angelika thanked all the Committee for the warm welcome and requested that any positive feedback would be appreciated in her new post.

Benefit Concert for Cruden Bay Hall Funds 16th May 2025:-

Gordon advised that the Cruden Bay Hall is now booked for Friday 16th May and after the results of the survey of proposed ticket prices by the committee members that the cost of a ticket would be Ten Pounds.

Gordon has linked the Folk Club web site to Pay-Pal where tickets can now be purchased online. It is planned to have 60 physical tickets to sell through the Post Office and the remaining 40 tickets for online sales, this can be adjusted if required.

There will be two main headline acts "Sir Reel Clarks" and "Robyn Smith" along with a selection of performers from the Folk Club.

The concert will start at 7:30pm and finish at 10:00pm (this will allow time to dismantle the P.A. system and have a general tidy up of the hall).

Planned Running Order would be	7:30 - 7:50	Folk Club Performers	20Mins
	7:50 - 8:30	First Guest Performers	40Mins
	8:30 - 9:00	Break and Raffle	30Mins
	9:00 - 9:20	Folk Club Performers	20Mins
	9:20 - 10:00	Second Guest Performers	40Mins

Robyn Smith has accepted Janet's kind offer of accommodation, and a huge thank you goes to Janet for providing this. Gordon will introduce Robyn to Janet ...Action Gordon.

The arrangement of the hall will be a concert format with tea and coffee being provided at the break. The umbilical cable will be used to enable the siting of the new control desk at the rear of the hall (the desk and new cables were used at the Buchan Heritage concert on the 19th February and all worked really well).

With three months to go the main drive will be the advertising of the event through the various channels G-Mail, Facebook, Community Association connections, Collieston Blether, and a piece in the Local Papers.

Pre-Payment Scheme for Folk Club Hall Usage:-

Brian proposed a pre-payment scheme whereby a sum of money would be paid now to help with the hall finances, which would gradually reduce as and when the Folk Club hired the hall, this would also include the Fiere Deems rehearsal bookings on a Tuesday night.

Brian has discussed the proposal with Rosemary Pittendrigh the hall convenor, who is in full agreement with the proposed scheme.

Brian proposed the sum of £500 be sent to Rosemary for the hall funds under the above scheme, seconded by Gordon and agreed by all.....Action Brian.

Folk Club Raffle:-

The location for the selling of the raffle tickets was discussed by the committee and consensus reached that the buying of the raffle tickets is to support the Folk Club in future ventures including concerts, workshops, the pre-payment scheme as mentioned above as a few examples and not just to have the opportunity of winning a bottle of malt for a pound. It was agreed by all that the raffle would remain Killie wide.

With this in mind Gordon proposed one of the Folk Club's postcards be handed out to all present in the Dining Room these would not only advertise the Hall Benefit Concert in May with a QR Code to take you to ticket sales but also thank people for supporting the Folk Club over the years. (see below)



Thank you for supporting Craden Bay Folk Clab by joining as tonight. Your support is incredibly important and helps us in more ways than you might realise.

Your generasity, along with that of other Kilmarnock Arms Hotel castomers who purchase raffle tickets during our clab nights, provides our primary source of income.

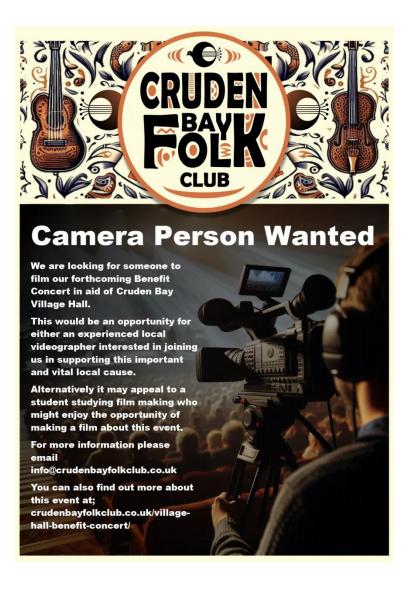
Over the years, we have used these funds to support many local causes. Currently, we are organising a benefit concert to raise funds for our local village hall, which is facing increasing energy casts and other charges that threaten its very survival.

Tickets are available from The Folk Club, The Post Office, or visit our website to find out more; crudenbayfolkelub co.uk/village-hall-benefit-concert,

Recording of the Hall Benefit Concert:-

Janet enquired as to the possibility of recording the actual concert on the night and suggested that there may be a photographic or video recording student that would enjoy the experience. Angelika informed the committee that there were two photographers one of them being a film maker Darren Campbell (who recorded Bratach Bana Singing "ready for the storm" in the very hall that the benefit concert is for) This can be seen on the Folk Club Web page under "spotlight" Bratach Bana, at the end of the piece. The other is Frigg Photography Lynda Thomson.

Gordon has made up a poster to perhaps find someone prepared to assist in this well worthwhile venture. (see below).



Angelika closed the meeting and thanked Gordon for all his hard work and everyone who joined on Zoom