

MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

HELD MONDAY 28 APRIL 2014 7.30PM

Present:

Tim Smith (Chair)

Alice Murdock (Vice Chair)

Vicky Halliday (Treasurer)

Margaret Stamp

Marie Harrison-Butlin

Alan Wilmer

Nora Clarke

Kay Mitchell (Secretary)

Minutes of the last meeting held 10/3/14 were read and agreed

Apologies:

Val McKeggie

New Members:

Lorna Bryant

Ruth Page

1.Matters Arising

Tim reported that the tap has been repaired.

Two lights have been repaired in the main hall however another has broken. Marie will invoice the Youth Club and include labour costs. **Action:MH-B**

A very nice evening was spent at Flick's to say farewell to outgoing Committee Members.

2.Jumble Sale

Alice reported that an advert has gone into the Parish Magazine for the Jumble Sale on 17/5/14.

Alice will be producing a poster to be distributed to VHC Members for them to put up around the area in different locations. Alice will deliver the posters to those who volunteered in the next few days. **Action AM/ALL**

Alan will make some notice boards to be located at entry points into the village. **Action AW**

The new 'A' frame will be stationed outside the Village Shop.

16/5/14 – Sorting 4 – 6

17/5/14 – Sorting 10-12

17/5/14 – Jumble Sale 2 – 4

Alan volunteered to run the tombola using items in good condition from the jumble donations.

Marie to buy some raffle tickets

Action AW/MH-B

There was discussion about charging for entry and a higher charge for early entry to possible dealers. It was agreed an entrance fee of 20p will be charged. Alan will review on the day to see if there are any dealers present and a decision will be made about charges/early entry.

Refreshments – Alice reported these made very little income last year so it was agreed we would not provide refreshments.

Vicky to provide float £30+some notes

Action: Vicky

3.Fund Raising

i) Auction of Promises: Tim advised that Flick has agreed to run an Auction of Promises, probably in the autumn.

ii) Bingo Evening was agreed for Saturday 6 September 2014. (Please let Tim know if members feel this date is not convenient)

Action: ALL

Nora to check that the Caller arranged last time is still available

Action: NC

iii) Pantomime: Kay reported that Isobel Wright may have the scripts from the last Village Panto which was performed around 15 yrs ago. With some work these may be re-useable. Most members felt it would not be feasible to organise for Christmas 2014.

Decision made this will be carried forward to 2015.

Action: KM

iv) Pamper Evening: Vicky informed the meeting of a pampering event attended at Wilbarston VH which was very popular and could be a good fund raiser.

Further enquiries needed. Provisional date agreed 21/11/14

Action: Vicky/NC/RP

v) Halloween Party

Ruth felt it would be a good idea to put something on for younger children and suggested a Halloween Party. Lots of ideas were shared. Members to see what may be suitable from the Jumble Sale. Ruth to investigate further however provisional date agreed Friday 31/10/14

Action: RP/ALL

4. PIP

Norah advised that arrangements are progressing. She is planning to hold a meeting of those who can help out on the day from the VHC and the Park Committee. TBA

Action: NC

5. Web Site/Promoting the VH

Tim has begun to build the VHC Website but would like advice from members regarding wording.

Tim suggested members look at Medbourne and Rockingham VH websites.

Vicky attended a children's party at the VH recently, which had been transformed. Using pictures on the website for these events/weddings etc. would be a good selling point. Vicky to ask parents if we might use some of her pictures for the website. Margaret has some pictures and Tim already has other examples.

Action: ALL/Vicky

6. Finance

Vicky produced a report for members. She highlighted that some fees have not yet been paid. At the end of this month our balance will be £3209.87.

Flick will continue to do the 100 Club until this is due for renewal.

7. AOB

Kay reminded members that WI has Fiona Cairns as a Guest Speaker on 4/6/14

Alice reported that the curtain pole has been fixed and a leaking pipe repaired behind the bar. The stage curtains need some minor repairs which **Alice and Marie will attend to.**

Mums and Tots will be closing down due to lack of membership. Toys/equipment is owned by Nicki. Need to know whether she would want these returned for her to store, whether VH keep some items in case Mums and Tots is resurrected in the future or whether Nicki might want to donate the toys to a needy cause or to the Jumble Sale. **Nora will discuss with Nicki**

Tim advised that Charlie is looking into insurance that may cover Parks Committee, VHC and Parish Council. This could work out much cheaper.

Gas and Electric are high cost - Committee could consider another provider.

Next meeting 23/6/14 7.30 – 8.30 at VH

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm