



RYE & DISTRICT BONFIRE SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12 July 2017 at the Queen's Head, Landgate by kind permission.

Those Members Present:

Bob Booth, Neale East & Jackie Brooks, Simon Bowler, Francis Warren, Brian Gasson, Paul Woolley & Liz Oliver, Debbie Vliers, Marion Buss, Robert & Caren Draper, Rita Kirk, Paul Carey, Emma & Charlotte Moon, Joan Ridgers, Ruth Palmer, Margaret O'Neil, Carol Arnold, Malcolm Mayhew, Jaquie Rowe, Charlie Carey, Mags Ivatts, Dave Barnes, Peter Mackay, Willie & Alisha Wicking (28)

1. Apologies for absence

Francis Rowe, Pete the Fence, Andy Tollett, John Kent, Julian Cheese, Ray Palmer, Hannah Moon, Kevin Mayhew, Heidi Foster, Christine Chivers, Lawrence Chivers, Vanessa Smith, Pippa Pook, Irene Cuthbert, Mr Timothy Watson Esq. Brian Cutting, Ian and James Foster, Patsy Hughes, Sandra Warren, David Lawton.

2. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were passed as a true record.

Proposed : Paul Wooley Seconded : Simon Bowler

3. Matters arising

Non-not covered elsewhere in the Agenda.

4. Correspondence, Secretary & Membership

Email received from SBC regarding holding a list of Societies with current insurance cover to avoid societies having to take or submitting a copy of their insurance before attending out meetings. It was agreed that Rye would send confirmation to SBC that all insurances were current with the proviso that no details of costings, company or schedule be included (**Neale & Ian to liaise**).

Request received to run a stall at Rye Harbour Fete on 19 August, agreed not as clashes with new date for our Garden Party.

Offer received from Richard Comotto of 'loan' of equipment from the Winchelsea Bonfire Boyes who are now dormant. Agreed to write and accept and offer to welcome new members.

Invites received from the following societies:

04 Nov	-	Battel	Yes
18 Nov	-	Robertsbridge	Yes
09 Sept	-	Crowborough	No
30 Sept	-	R'field & Mark X	No
02 Sept	-	Uckfield	No

Robert asked for a list of events that Rye (and Ryebellion) will be attending to date. Neale will bring to next meeting. **Neale to action.**

It was agreed that Rye's invite could be issued to all in BONCO (including Cliff) on the same basis as last year. **Neale to action.**

Membership

Neale reported that there are currently 70 paid up members.

Two new members proposed:

Sebastien & Andrea Reinecke

Proposed : Emma Moon Seconded : Charlotte Moon

Carried

5. Treasurer's report

No report this month.

6. Fundraising

Auction of Promises 2018

It was agreed to hold off firming up a date for 2018 until August meeting, however it is suggested that Thursday 24 May be pencilled in (**Neale to add to next Agenda**).

Clay Shoot

Preparations well under way for the Clay Shoot, Neale tabled the Risk Assessment and several issues addressed. Main issue being having enough members to help on the day, Neale to send around update to members and social media asking for volunteers.

Neale to draft signing in sheet for participants to signify their agreement with Control Measure highlighted in the Risk Assessment.

Garden Party – 19 August 2017

Ruth reported that she has had to re-schedule the Garden Party to 19 August at the Cinque Ports pub, times 10:30 to 15:00 further details to follow.

Pub Quiz

Ruth reported that she is planning a pub quiz at the Cinque Ports pub on 17 September at 19:30. Further details to follow.

Fundraising Concert

Marion reported that it was unlikely that a date can be found until 2018, but it might be possible to have a raffle at a Halloween gig being planned.

Horse Racing Night

Various suggestions/idea bounced about, agreed to carry forward to August meeting (**Neale to add to Agenda**)

7. Any Other Business

Not the Bonfire Dinner 2018

Rita reported that there are three options:

- Mermaid Inn - £29.00 for two courses, £35.00 for three.
- The George - £22.50 for two courses with 1 glass wine (+ bar) £27.50 for 3 courses with glass of wine (+bar)
- Ypres - £19.50 for two, £23.50 for three.

It was agreed to carry forward a decision to August (**Neale to add to next Agenda and table sample menus**).

Ruth reported that; requests have gone out for marshals for the Rye Festival of Sea on 22 July would any member be free that day to lend a hand? It was agreed that any member would be volunteering on their own auspice, not as Rye Bonfire.

8. Date & time of next meeting

Wednesday 09 August 2017

at 8pm in the Queen's Head (booked).