

Worthy's Festival Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday 27th September 2016 at the Worthy's Sports and Social club

Present:

Chair of the meeting: Sarah White(SW)

Secretary: Dorry Hudson (DH)

Phil Allen(PA), Paul Blythin(PB), David Woolford (DW), Alison Woolford (AW), Rob Fellows(RF), Fred Phillips (FP), Jo Lowres (JL), Dave Alexander (DA), Robin Cooke(RC), Tom Andrew Power(TAP), Susie Phillips(SP), Dan Conroy (DC)

Apologies : Malcom Prince, Jackie Porter, Paul McKenna, Julie Mitton, Isabelle Haige, Kasey Clements.

Minutes from previous meeting (June 21st 2016) – these were agreed and signed.

Treasurers Report:

Current balance is £1055.67, there is an ongoing monthly expense of £11.99 for the website

- Treasurer Lorna Murray, has unfortunately had to resign due to personal reasons.

A couple of options to find a replacement was discussed.

RF suggested putting a role description together, which would be a help to anyone that may be interested.

SW suggested that it may be something of interest to a student, it was discussed not an 'A' level student as really a treasurer had to be over 18. SP suggested contacting Winchester Hub <http://www.winchester.ac.uk/> to ask if the role may be of any interest to a University student.

Current Committee/Key co-ordinators

- SW asked if anyone would be interested in joining the steering committee as currently we are down to 3 people (SW, PA & DH) There were no volunteers at the meeting, but all were encouraged to ask others.

Matters Arising /Main Events

- Paul Bradish (vicar) was keen for the church to have some involvement and suggested Cliff and Sarah McElland (rectors) who may be able to help with the Fun Day. Gill Froude has suggested that the church would be happy to provide teas on that day
- Catherine Hague (HAB) is eager to show people around the new field/wildflower meadow along with the Worthys Conservation Volunteers.

- PB had suggested contacting ‘The Maddening Crowd to ask if they would be interested in taking part in the festival, a kind of mummers play, however their charges are £180 so this would be held in abeyance for now.
- Kasey Clements has kindly offered to help with fundraising from local businesses, other suggestions were made, if further volunteers were needed.
- SP suggested an Energy Event be considered, maybe during the second weekend, as the Marquee has previously been funded by SSE so this would be fitting
- DW & AW who are both members of the Worthy Players, have said that due to the lack of applicants last year for the talent show, there are no plans to organise one for the upcoming festival, but they will definitely do something on the first Saturday night in Jubilee Hall.... one suggestion being to put on a “Radio Play”.
- SW ran through with Dave Alexander, the new Adjutant at Worthy Down, what they done last year.... The Military wives choir and AGC Contemporary Band along with some manpower help with the staging etc for the final weekend. SW said that the expenses for the Military wives choir was higher than expected and probably not something not to be considered again. DA would discuss with colleagues but thought that the AGC band would be available, that some manpower as needed would be probable and that he would investigate the possibility of using a stage from Worthy Down for the Church Green Saturday and the Sunday Finale. They would consider and other possibilities
- DC suggested that the afternoon of the fun day be kept to just music, Pimms Stall and teas and then The Worthy Players in the evening. This was agreed all round that this may be a better plan than a full fete, which was less well attended last time. SP suggested that some activities for the children would be helpful whilst parents listening to the music
- Regarding the Street Parties, we need a volunteer/s to look into organising these.
- SW is happy to do the Open Gardens if this were thought to be a popular idea
- PA to organise another History Walk
- WSSC is willing to hold the Quiz in the club, the Ceilidh, maybe in the marquee this time.
- A variety of food outlets on the Friday night/Saturday at Eversley Park would be good. A co-ordinator to be sought for this

- TAP and JL to liaise with Worthys Youth Football regarding both childrens and adults football on the Saturday at Eversley, to fit around the Festival Run. Sunday for the quieter events – Dog Show, Flower & Produce and HAB/WCV walks/talks
- RC will approach Paul Young regarding leading a cycle ride again
- It has been suggested that the beer festival be held nearer the park side of the club as in previous festivals it has been quite hidden away in the back room.
- SW raised whether the Flower and Produce show should be indoors, whilst the dog show to be held inside the Marquee, apart from the agility events which would be outside.
- RC suggested that the parade was a good way to involve those that are housebound or haven't managed to attend events during the week. General consensus agreed with previous consultation on this, that not enough participants in this event
- It was suggested that volunteer drivers could be found to ferry the housebound to if a tea party is organised.
- Guides are happy to participate in the Campfire as previously
- Gardeners Question Time and Jazz band as previously, days to be confirmed
- SW suggested 'Walking Football' and Archaeological Dig. PA suggested this dig could take place at Glebe Meadow Boundary. The idea of the dig would be to give children the experience of a dig, and the area would be made good again after the event. Local archaeologists to be approached to discuss the possibilities
- Sharon from the King Charles to be asked about Film Fest and food.

Website/Social Media

- PW is working on the Festival website and Social Media. He has already set up Twitter and will look at Instagram.
- AGM to be advertised on Website and Notice boards. AGM date to be given with 14 days notice. We discussed that this should also be advertised on the Festival website and social media, asking for further committee members and any new suggestions for the Festival

Programmes and Posters

It was agreed to put out basic A4 size programme in February and to use it to encourage people to think about produce they may want to enter

Next meeting AGM Wednesday 23rd November 2016 – at the King Charles (SW to confirm)

Meeting ended 21.10

In regards to the Winchester Hub from their website

The Winchester Hub offers students the chance to get involved in a range of different activities, all of which to develop their employability skills and allow them to engage with the world beyond the University. We're really excited about being able to build on the excellent opportunities we already provide for our students."

Professor Elizabeth Stuart, Deputy Vice-Chancellor added: "The University is committed to enhancing the employability of its students and increasing their involvement in social action in the UK and overseas. We are therefore delighted to see the establishment of a Hub here – it will bring some wonderful opportunities to our students."