



Mevagissey Male Choir

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Minutes of Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 21st May 2019 at 7.30 pm
Mevagissey Social Club and 3rd June at St Andrew's Church

Agenda

1. Apologies

Nick Nichols, Phil Vellonoweth
(Stephen Gibson chairing)

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes having been previously circulated were accepted as a true record and signed by the chair.

3. Matters arising (*if not on agenda*)

Patron

Humfrey has spoken to Naomi Kennedy but she has had to decline as she is a BBC employee and therefore prohibited from accepting such a role.

Music Bursaries

Stephen has spoken to the head teacher at Mevagissey school and it has been agreed that these will go ahead but further details remain to be discussed. Stephen will have a further meeting.

Samaritans Concert

The first quay concert will raise funds for the Samaritans.(29th July)

Feast Week Stall

We will have a stall now. Local people will be needed to man the stall Rod will find volunteers in the choir. A table and chairs will now be provided

4. Treasurer report (GH)

Two months' reports circulated to committee. Noteworthy matters ;
A few subscriptions remain outstanding and will be pursued by
section leaders.

Bethel concert raised £140. Gorran concert made £744.29 which
will provide £270 for the parish nurse.

HMRC gift aid money has been received- £2530.76

£5000 has been transferred to a high interest account.

April accounts very quiet but did include the cost of the Bude
coach. (£425)

Variety Show made £649 profit

David Leeson will replace Mike Tate as second bank authorised
signatory on choir account.

5. Fundraising (RR)

Rod is pursuing advertisers for the choir programme including Clints
Barbers and Pentewan Place

6. Publicity report (MT)

Mike reported via email that publicity pieces were completed for
three recent events -Gorran (Brian Mitchell) Concert, St.Mawes
Concert and the Variety Show.

7. New concert and events requests to consider

Rod has been approached by Emmaus to arrange a concert for
their fundraising- further details to follow.

St Andrews have asked for support also and given our relationship
with them it was felt that we should hold a concert to help support
the boiler replacement before winter. Dates in September were
considered but all agreed that the diary is very full. It was
suggested and accepted that a further quay concert collection be
allocated- either the last one or a 'wet one' as this would be in the
church anyway and raise funds in good time for boiler repair before
autumn. Committee agreed to top up any raised funds with a
donation-no amount yet specified.

8. Forthcoming concert arrangements

St Mawes- Humfrey is arranging the compere and has organised
refreshments at the sailing club.

Caerhays-Stephen will confirm if Peter is compering. Risers
,refreshments and car parking are being arranged by Peter.

Feast week – Just MMC singing but Stephen will ask Matt if he has
any soloists .

Roger will arrange social club access for choir and their families
after the concert.

Stephen will ask Bill Collins to compere and ask Peter about pasties for the afterglow. Tickets will be £8.

9. Feedback from recent concerts

Stephen expressed deep gratitude to Humfrey (Gorran concert), Chris Bale (Bude) , Peter Bowker (Variety Show) and Terry Coplin (St Johns). All worked tirelessly to produce really excellent events.

It was felt that pasties for the St Johns 'afterglow' should be collected from the church next year to avoid long queues.

10. Music Committee (T Coplin)

No report

11. CD sales (CW)

Passwords for the website are to be made more robust to ensure that only members can download tracks . Rod will look into this.

12. Almoner (Andy Gill)

No report

13. Section leaders

Tops-nothing of note

Seconds-Ian Ridler has been welcomed back. New member Charlie Whetter

Baritones-nothing of note

Bass'-can we establish if Ron Hocking has actually resigned?

14. Extra practise night for Birmingham

These may take place nearer the actual event. Should we book accommodation now to ensure availability? -to be discussed at next meeting. Rod will investigate options.

15. Date of next meeting- 18th June

16. Trailer insurance-in hand-Graham dealing.

17. Ron Hocking-see Bass' report item 13.

18. AOB-Matt Facey is to take a new choir photo-tbc.

The need to not waste money on coaches was raised and in future George will be asked to confirm numbers early so that seats are not payed for that are not needed.

Meeting closed at 9.06 pm

Minutes of additional meeting June 3rd 6.30pm St Andrew's Church

To discuss the need to book accommodation for the choir for the Birmingham Concert October 17th 2020 Symphony Hall

Apologies: Stephen Gibson

Chair: Nick Nichols

Present: NN, RM, GH, HS, RR, PV, CW, SL, DL, GM

Birmingham:

Rod has researched thoroughly -can book rooms in an IBIS near to Symphony Hall for £75 per double **per night** including breakfast. These rooms can be held at no cost up until 90 days before the event. Coach travel will cost about £60 -£70. 44 choir members have said that they are going.

Nick proposed that the choir pay for the accommodation for **two nights**- 16th and 17th October and that 50 rooms be booked to that end but that those travelling should bear the cost of their own travel.

Passed unanimously by the committee.

Other matters:

St Mawes concert raised £1260 for RNLI. Agreed to charge £200 as our expenses.

Caerhays concert -we sing at 2pm. Chris will ask Peter about the PA.

Roseland Care Home concert goes ahead-6th June.

Request for a concert at Fowey Church 18th August-Regatta Week.

Declined due to number of commitments.

Meeting closed at 7.15pm.