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Minutes of Committee Meeting

Mevagissey Social Club, 19th March 2019

Present: N Nicholls , G Hoskins, S Gibson, R Mitchell
H Stobart , C Williams, G Millington, C Burnett, D Leeson, Terry Coplin for item 3

Apologies: M Tate, P Vellenoweth, R Richardson, S Lawday

1. Minutes of meeting of 19th February 2019

The Minutes, having been previously circulated, were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

2. Matters Arising:

Patron

Humfrey suggested that Naomi Kennedy of Radio Cornwall might make a good patron and that to that end we might invite her to comper the St Mawes concert as a way of engaging with her. **This was agreed.**

Music bursaries.

Stephen has spoken with the head teacher of Mevagissey Primary School. They are keen to go ahead when actual funds are known and **Stephen will pursue this.**

Samaritans

Samaritans have requested assistance with fund raising. Cliff contacted them to clarify our position - that they need to organise a concert and we will be happy to perform. Samaritans have stated that they are unable to do this. Cliff has suggested to the committee that as an alternative we donate the proceeds of one August Quay Concert. **This was agreed and Cliff will inform Samaritans.**

Fundraising for Prostate charities.

Yet to be pursued.



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3. Festival Gala concert (Terry)

'After Glow' is booked into the White Hart Hotel, Church Street, St Austell for approximately 9.40 pm. Choirs attending will be MMC (40 + supporters), Cinestra (46+4), Bridgend MVC (70+25), Much Wenlock (36+25) and Tamar Valley (32+18). **Terry will pass contact details to Gareth so that the choirs can be contacted to confirm attendance at 'After Glow' to avoid waste.** Terry will be **recruiting volunteers** to sell tickets on the evening and also to assist at Eden Project on 5th and 6th May. **Les will be taking risers to St John's on the 4th May , Chris will take them to Eden after the concert and Les will collect from Eden on the Monday.(6th)**

4. Music Committee

Music committee has not met since last meeting. The MD has intimated that we have enough new music for the time being anyway but 'Fields of Gold' (Sting) is being considered if a good arrangement can be found.

5. Feast week Fayre

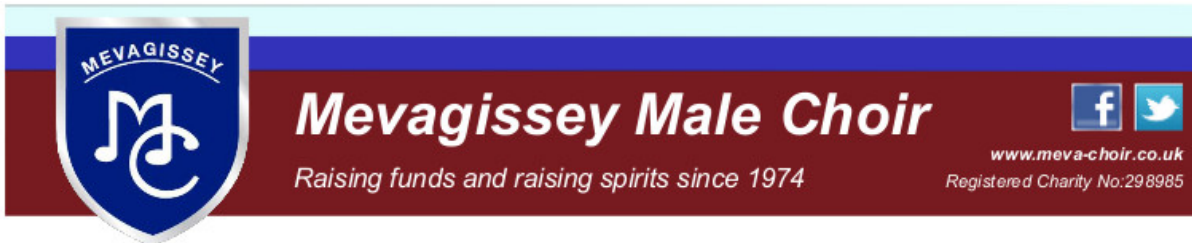
Feast week is 23rd to 29th June. We have been asked if we would like a stall again this year (2-4.30pm 29.6). No tables and chairs will be provided for us. **Nick will ask Rod to speak to Peter about his experience of last year's event before a decision is made regarding the choir's attendance.**

6. Treasurer's Report

Financial statement attached.

Items to note: Donations from the Morcom family of £150 have been received. Dinner dance bill is now paid and deposit for next year. We now receive Gift Aid and HMRC have paid us £2530.76 which represents two years gift aid on subs (25%) and tax back from quay concert collections. A very worthwhile process and source of income therefore for the future. £3200 of this year's subs have now been collected , £1900 remains outstanding.

Treasurer took questions from the committee.



7. Publicity.

Report from Mike.

The Gorran concert was flagged in the St Austell Voice and the Tower & Spire (and maybe elsewhere).

Rod Richardson has taken over from Jane Stubberfield as webmaster, although Jane will remain as back-up. Andy Gill has also expressed interest in a support role and told me he would speak to Rod. I plan to remain Content Editor, assuming that's agreeable. Gareth Millington and Clifford Burnett are also now able to edit their relevant pages and Mike WD Thompson remains an additional back-up for Notices and other pages.

It was agreed that Mike Tate will retain oversight of content.

8. New concert requests

Four Lanes, Tamar Valley and Imrys all want joint concerts- these await arrangement but agreed in principle and may be dealt with as 'first come first served' if the programme is too crowded.

A fundraiser for prostate charities may be arranged at St Petroc's for the Autumn.

Yealmpton have not replied to our correspondence regarding coach costs, neither have the Gloucestershire wedding organisers who asked for our attendance and have been informed of costs.

Beech Lodge residential home have asked for a small group to sing there- **Cliff will contact them.**

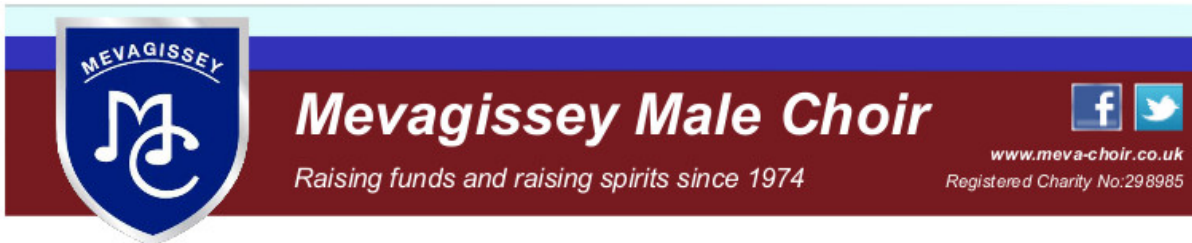
Humfrey has spoken to Roseland Park Care Home Tregony. They would like a small group to sing for residents. This will be 6th or 7th June at 3pm. – **Humfrey will ask the choir** for volunteers who will meet beforehand briefly to practice. A donation will be requested from the home.

The choir is to be asked on Monday if it would like to perform at Bude Lifeboat week-25th August in the Marquee.

9. Upcoming concerts.

6th April Concert – **Chris Bale** is dealing.

St Mawes Concert-Tickets will be £10. **Tickets and publicity for Roseland Magazine need to be ready by April 10th.** Choir to car share-no coach. Further details progressing



10. Feedback from recent concerts.

We need to always take our piano to concerts to ensure we have an adequate back up- some logistical problems here but not insurmountable.

Gareth will run over concert arrangements briefly at the Monday practice prior to any concert to remind members of arrangements and commitments and try to identify problems.

11. CD Sales

Five sales in last month -two from Gorran also two album downloads. Chris continues to research Spotify although we can now be found there.

12. Almoner.

No report

13. Section reports

Nothing to report from all sections.

14. Date of next meeting is 16th April 7.30pm Mevagissey Social Club.

15. Any other business.

Bursary and Gorran Parish nurse contribution monies amount to approx. £272. Being half the 'profit' on the Gorran concert.

Phil Taylor the Federation Chair has shared dates of practices etc. for the Birmingham Concert-**Cliff will put these on the forthcoming concerts page** of the website. Stephen has music copies. There is some doubt about attendance at extra practice nights and concerns about accommodation -**added to next month's agenda for discussion.**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2146hrs.

Signed



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Chairman

Date