



St Andrew Society of Western Australia

Minutes of committee meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2017 at the St Peter and Emmaus Church, Joondanna

The meeting declared open at 7.24pm

Present

Richard Paxman Robert Bannister Reggie Mc Neill Ron Cooper
Diana Paxman Darian Ferguson Eoin Kennedy Graeme Ward
Elizabeth Melville (Secretary)

Apologies

- Cheryl Hill

Minutes of Previous meeting

- Treasurer's report presented to the previous meeting was not accepted at the time, as changes to the content and format were required by the Chieftain. These changes have been made and acceptance of the Treasurer's Report was:
- Proposed by Ron, seconded by Darian
- April meeting minutes proposed to be accepted by Eoin, seconded by Diana.

Matters arising and actions from previous meeting

- To be addressed during the meeting

Secretary's report

- Emails presented (These should be listed – see previous minutes)
- Secretary's Report proposed to be accepted by Darian seconded by Robert.

Treasurer's Report

- Treasurer's financial statement presented by Richard. A reconciliation report also presented to the committee as follows:

St Andrew Society Profit & Loss For Period Covering:		31 March to 30 April
Opening balance	\$35,327 . 04	Agrees with March 31st closing balance
Income / deposits	\$1,675 . 00	
Outgoings	\$5,033 . 05	
Closing balance	\$32,208 . 99	

- Acceptance of Treasurer's Report proposed by Ron seconded by Elizabeth.

SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

Reel nights (Richard)

- No new people, low numbers as it was Easter Thursday.
- Next session May 12th.
- Is it worth doing some advertising? That is spend some money. Is there a possible use of Curtin Radio or RTSM radio?
- Darian: we should consider advertising
- Reggie: web and face-book pages are they're too old (showing old people). P.R. Expert.
- Diana: could Reggie's niece follow us on Instagram?
- Richard: should we spend money on advertising? Possible use of facebook? Obtained quotes for printing fliers but considered that the same money could be better spent elsewhere.
- Agreed to ask Susan to organise \$100.00 worth of advertising on Facebook.
- Richard and Diana will be away for the June 8 session, which will be run by Reggie.

Chieftain's Ceilidh (Reggie / Diana / Cheryl)

- Reg; everything is in order, went through jobs on the night.
- Setting up in the afternoon. 3pm at the hall.
- Everyone needs to help pack up at the end of the evening so that we are out in a timely manner. Be at venue by 6.30pm.
- The pipe band are to receive the funds from raffles etc.
- Need photos of the event.
- Ask Susan and Brian to take photos on the night.
- 92 people attending, which includes four previous chieftains.

Weekend away (Ron)

- Venue: Quindanning Hotel.
- Theme: Christmas in July
- Date: 22 July 2017
- Ron: 22nd and 23rd July are the dates. Ron remains the contact person. Details should be on the web page soon.
- 10 rooms booked. Event is non refundable.

Wine Tour (Reggie / Diana)

- 21st October venues to stop at are being considered.
- Currently concentrating more on the ceilidh.
- People should book directly with Reg. Lunch TBA.

Quiz night (Darian / Eoin / Robert)

- Darian: presented package through Jon Lennon Entertainment. Likely to cost \$10.00 p/h
- Possible dates 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30th September. 23rd is long weekend.
- Aim for 16th sept. To check on venue. BYO food and drink.
- Outlay expected to be about \$1000.00 plus prizes.

Burns Supper (Reggie / Diana / Cheryl)

- Date: 25 January 2018
- Contract with the Hilton Hotel has been signed. 1st deposit now due.

Communications (Richard)

- We need a photo of Ron for web page of committee (now complete).
- Saltire is due in June.
- March meeting minutes have been posted on website.
- Discussed the ongoing problem with our Facebook page. Agreed that it was time to start a new Facebook page, with a similar name and ask people to transfer across.

Sponsorship (Richard)

- We have a new advertiser, Scottish Foods will be advertising through the web page and The Saltire, initially for 4 months.
- Lottery West
 - Richard has been talking to a consultant that provides advice on how to obtain grants.
 - Doesn't look like it's a go-er!
 - Retrospective grants for what we want don't happen except in exceptional circumstances, and then usually only for equipment.
 - They don't give money to ticketed events
 - They don't pay for consumables - food & drink etc.
 - The best we could hope for is funds for advertising (inc. banners) and the venue.
 - The purpose of the advertising would be to "attract a younger cohort".
 - We would have to demonstrate that reeling will attract younger people. She suggested we would have to do our own survey of a group (~30) young people, to demonstrate that there is interest out there.
 - With the survey results we would then say "Now we would like to hold a one off campaign of reeling to see whether there is a response".
 - She recommended community radio, say 6 of the 19 not-for-profit radio stations in Perth (in particular "RTRSM" "Twin Cities")
 - We would have to commit to participating (dancing) in a community event, not just in-house.
- So, even though we are not going to get the hoped for sponsorship, it was agreed that we should still do everything we can to reduce the ball ticket price, including ploughing last year's profits back in.

- Darian: will follow up with Westons regarding their potential sponsorship..

Action item list

Eoin is researching banners. Darian, Reg and Eoin will discuss and compare the banner quotes.

Darian: Constitution changes still in progress.

Richard: Need to search for a new Honorary Piper. Offered Life membership to Jason Hutt as thanks and gratitude. It would be good to have a young person as our next piper, and keeping with the aims of our constitution.

Committee badges: need to be ordered with names on them – Actionee: Graeme.

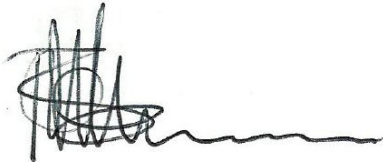
Next meeting

Richard and Diana will be away for the next meeting, which will be chaired by Reggie.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday 14TH JUNE

Meeting closed at

8:50pm



Signed _____ Richard Paxman (Chieftain)

Date: _____ 13 July 2017 _____