

**MINUTES OF GALA & EVENTS COMMITTEE,
FOCHABERS VILLAGE ASSOCIATION**

Charity No: SC044569

WEDNESDAY 15th June 2016

8:00 pm INSTITUTE, FOCHABERS

CHAIRMAN: Elizabeth Rennie

PRESENT: Alison Clavey; Audrey MacAulay; Margo Howe; Donald Cameron; Gordon Christie; Sybil Stuart; Iain Rennie; Helen Morrison

APOLOGIES: Elspeth Fordyce; Jane Williams; Laura Jenkins; Douglas Ross; Pat Jenkins; Emma Jenkins; Caroline Leslie;

SUBJECT	DETAILS	ACTION
Minutes	Minutes of the meeting held on 18 th May 2016 were approved. (Proposed by Iain Rennie and seconded by Helen Morrison)	
Matters Arising	Audrey asked that her name be removed from the attendees at the last meeting as she had put in her apologies	
Correspondence	Signs for street closures have been received	
Gala 2016	<p style="color: red;">Can all members please remember that raffles are needed from everyone. I can come and collect or they can be delivered to me at 25 Castlehill Road. Call 820882 if you want them collected</p> <p>Thursday 21st July 2016 A consultation was conducted at the Primary School to gain the opinion of the children about changing the format of the Gala Queen and Princesses to Gala VIP and open up the election to boys as well as girls</p> <p>Three questions were asked: 1) Do you want the Gala Queen and Princess to continue in the current form: Yes 14; No 72 Don't know 12 2) Should Boys take part Yes 91 No 14 Don't know 1 3 How many boys would take part in the elections 32</p> <p>As this was an overwhelming result, the format of the Gala VIP will be looked at with a view to changing it for 2017. 2016 will go ahead as normal. Gala Queen There were 6 contestants from P7 and the Queen by a large majority is Ellie Wallace.</p>	

	<p>Gala Princesses There were 41 contestants from P4 to P6 and the princesses are Madeline McWilliam and Constance Whelan</p> <p>There will be an allowance given to the girls for dresses and Alison is to organise the sashes.</p> <p>The 300 Club draw will be made on Thursday night on the steps of the church</p> <p>Tombola; 7:30 p.m. for 8:00 start – to be held in Institute. Emma advised that everything was in hand but Liz is to contact her for further information. Donald was asked if he could speak to the team who did the teas last year to see if they would be prepared to do them again. Sausage Rolls are ordered and the fruit loaves will be ready in time for the evening. Sybil will ensure that they are sliced. Audrey and Caroline put their apologies in. Decisions as to prizes will be made once all the donations have been received.</p> <p>Post Meeting Note – Elsbeth Fordyce has volunteered her services There should be enough tea, coffee etc in the cupboard in the hall which may as well be used up prior to the hall closing</p> <p>Bill Royan has sorted the vehicles for the Gala VIP for the weekend</p> <p>Friday 22nd July Duck Race to start at 6pm at the bridge at the Caravan Park. Posters are done and signs are out. Ducks are on sale from Chemist, Kelmex, Ice Cream Parlour and J's Hair & Beauty.</p> <p>Quiz; 7:30 p.m. for 8 p.m. start – To be held in Institute. Jim Kilpatrick is available to do the questions Licence is in hand</p> <p>Saturday 23rd July Bike Race – in hand Strawberry Teas – okay As there is enough tea and coffee to cover the teas would we ask if the Co-op could provide the Strawberries and Scones for the Strawberry teas?</p> <p>There will be activities in the Square</p> <p>Speyfest is happy to do a joint concert. This will go ahead in the Institute. Entry will be by donation and there will be a raffle. The bar will also be open.</p>	<p>LR</p> <p>SS</p> <p>BR</p> <p>AC</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>ALL</p>
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	<p>Sunday 24th July In Square 1-4 p.m.</p> <p>Shona Morrison is more than happy to take over-all control of the barbecue, Darren Sievwright will help with the cooking. Alison is to check with the Grant Arms to see if the kitchens can be used for prepping – eg cooking sausages and onions Dodie is to be asked if he still has the small sink previously used and sanitiser is to be provided. 300 burgers; 150 sausages; 50 steaks are to be bought. Liz to find best supplier Alison to organise rolls from Asda and to see if we could get relishes from Baxters courtesy of Darren Hot Dogs to be priced at £2.00; Burgers £3.00; Steaks £4.00 Liz to organise for cheese, napkins, etc for the barbecue.</p> <p>Teas will be served outside providing the weather is okay. Liz to check with Edgar whether there is anything left from last year. Cans and crisps will be needed. In previous years there has been a small fridge available.</p> <p>Bottle Stall – Tickets will need to be folded and put on bottles. Can those available please be at Liz and Iain's on Tuesday 19th July – evening.</p> <p>Music and entertainment. Pipe Band Fochabers Fiddlers Request sent to Elgin City Band or alternatively Keith Silver Band June Roy Dancers Lorna Whelan School of Dance A schedule will be sent out once we have confirmation of the band</p> <p>Jean Carr Race. There has been a new Committee formed and there is a lack of information from previous years. A copy of last year's spreadsheet is to be found and forwarded for their information. Audrey to go back to Caroline to inform the club to go ahead and buy the medals required and hand in the invoice. The Gala will provide a float and all monies to come back to the Treasurer. There will be fees for runners to be paid which can be deducted.</p> <p>Stalls Fochabers in Bloom Speyfest – Lucky squares Friends of Bellie Mens Sheds Candy Floss</p>	<p>AC</p> <p>LR</p> <p>AC</p> <p>LR</p> <p>LR</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>SS</p> <p>SS AM</p>
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	<p>Heritage Hook a Duck – Childminders Group Raffles – Adults/Kids – Audrey Face Painting Bowling Club – Bowling /Target Golf Bouncy Castles Silent Auction depending on what is donated. Audrey advised that Mandy from Horny Coo is donating a signed Angel Print and Alison is to speak to Mr Watt of Watts Antiques to see if he would consider donating another Teddy Bear. Letters for village donations for raffle etc to go out this week.</p> <p>A list of times is to be sent out which will allow the posters and fliers to be done. Once Eva has finished them, they will be sent to Sybil who will take them to the printer. Posters for the individual events will be done and put out in the village and posted on Facebook.</p>	<p>SS SS EM</p>
Christmas Light switch on and Open Night	<p>The Christmas Night will be on 2nd December. A working party needs to be formed to look at the lights in the trees in the Square. As the trees are grow, the lights need to be slackened off otherwise they will break</p>	
Hogmanay Family Ceilidh	<p>Caroline requested that a decision be made regarding the Hogmanay Ceilidh due to the closing of the hall. Following discussion, it was decided to cancel this year due to the uncertainty of the hall being completed in time. I've cancelled the hall. Audrey to advise Caroline of the decision and ask if she would be able to cancel the band. This will give them six months' notice to allow them to find another booking. Also notice to be put on Facebook Caroline is to be commended for her efforts in keeping the Ceilidh going. It started off with a group organising it but over time it has been Caroline who has been the main organiser.</p>	<p>ALL to note AM CL</p>
Fund Raising	<p>Strictly Come Dancing It was decided to defer cancelling the Hogmanay Ceilidh and Strictly Come Dancing until another meeting</p> <p>McMillan Appeal – Summer Lights This is to go ahead on 25th June, with helpers to be at the Square at 8:45 p.m. Candles to be lit for floating in the fountain which needs to be turned off for the evening. A box will be available for donations. Tree lights are to be switched on at 10 p.m. There will be a book for writing messages available which has been done by Jane Williamson. Posters have been done and advertised on Facebook</p>	<p>AC</p>
Meeting Dates	Future Dates	

	<p>17th August 2016 5th October 2016 16th November 2016 11 January 2017 – This is now a joint meeting with Village Association and will comprise of Annual Meeting and VA AGM</p> <p>McMillan Summer Lights 25th June</p> <p>Gala Weekend 21st to 24th July 2016</p> <p>Christmas Night 2nd December 2016</p> <p>Hogmany Ceilidh Cancelled</p> <p>Strictly Come Dancing 11th February 2017</p>	
<p>Date of Next Meeting</p>	<p>There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9:30 p.m. The next event is the Gala from 21st to 24th July – please note that any help will be gratefully accepted. The next meeting is Wednesday 17th August 2016 in 29 High Street, Fochabers at 8 p.m. – Please note change of venue</p> <p>Future meetings to be advertised in the Northern Scott. E-mail to newsdesk@northernscot.co.uk by Tuesday of the week prior to the meeting.</p>	<p>ALL</p>