

MINUTES of Saltash U3A Committee Meeting Wednesday 1 June 2022 at SHADO centre.

Present

Amanda Smith (Chair) ,Lesley Brunskill (Secretary) Roger Fursier (Groups Coordinator) ,
Mel Brunskill (Publicity Officer), Jeanne Milton, Angie Fisher(Webmaster), Gill
Higgins(Speaker Secretary)

1. **Apologies:** Barry and Rose Olver , Rachel Linford
1. **Minutes** of previous meeting 6 May agreed and signed.

Action Points from 6 May

1. Amanda has booked Rugby Club for GL Social on Wednesday June 29th.
2. Mick Wilson of Strummers has agreed to play at Picnic in Park.
3. Active Groups have been updated but discovered that Stitchcraft have folded.
Bernadette Windle has taken over Creative Writing Group.
4. Website has been updated with Active Groups
5. Members contacted re extended social time, agreed to extend until July, Amanda to email members to remind them.

Action Point 1 : Amanda to email members re extended social time

6. Amanda has been unable to meet Denise, will try again next month

Action Point 2: Amanda to make contact with Denise Watkins.

7. Barry has been unable to ascertain laptop battery prices, will try next month

Action Point 3: Barry to investigate laptop battery prices.

8. Barry contacted Mick GL of Tai Chi regarding their funds. The group have agreed to spend monies on a PA system. They have been advised it would be owned and maintained by them and they would be responsible for PAT testing.

Chair

- 1 **Picnic**
Will be announced at next monthly meeting and Amanda will email to members. Everyone to bring their own picnic and seating. A member had suggested we play rounders but this may not be practical. Lesley will organise some games.
Action Point 4: Amanda to email members announcing picnic.
Action Point 5: Lesley to organise games
2. **Funding Bids**
We didn't fit criteria for funding for Carew Pole Trust but our bid has been forwarded to Cornwall Glass.
3. **Regatta**
Lesley will speak to organisers to ascertain the average age group of visitors to help us decide if we want a stall.
Action Point 6: Lesley to speak to regatta organisers.

4. **Group Leaders Social**

Buffet will be provided by Rachael Honey. Barry has printed invitations to present GL's and leaders whose groups have recently ceased. Partners encouraged to attend. There will be a free glass of punch, alcoholic and non alcoholic, also a free raffle. 9 people have already contacted Amanda to say they will attend. Committee to attend at 6.30.

5. **Ancestral Day at Liskeard.**

This will be on 18 June , Amanda to collect flags from Barry

Action Point 7: Amanda to collect flags from Barry

6. **Can do Group**

Annie Stokes will be Coordinator.

7. **New Committee members**

Lengthy discussion on the real problem of new committee members. It was decided that at the next monthly meeting the members would be informed of the reality of the situation in the hope that more people would come forward. Amanda will follow up with email to reach members not at monthly meeting.

Roger wondered whether now would be the time to contact doctors surgeries to use our videos. Community Enterprise now have 8 Fore Street, Roger will enquire if they have a screen we can advertise on.

Action Point 8: Amanda to email members re joining committee

Action Point 9: Roger to enquire if 8 Fore Street has a screen we can advertise on.

Correspondence

None

Treasurer

Current Account : £7934.39

Social Account. : £1130.80

External Funding Account: £3023.56

Reserve Account : £1000.00

Pam Fryer, member, has suggested we change banks to Lloyds to avoid travelling to a Barclays Bank. Barry will investigate

Action Point 10: Barry to investigate changing bank accounts.

Membership

11 new members plus 3 lapsed members have returned. Total 275

Webmaster

Angie has received a cold call from Fasthosts regarding a 30 day free trial upgrading our email accounts, looks likely this will automatically be applied to our account from 2 June. After the trial the cost would be £5.00 per email address. This has serious cost implications as it provides generic email addresses for Committee members and Group Leaders. Angie asked committee to consider whether we should maintain all of these accounts in view of reluctance of GL's to use these accounts and the fact we now have Beacon to

communicate. This upgrade might be beneficial so we may need to adjust our use of it to enable us to afford it going forward. Beacon is not a full email facility so cannot replace Fasthosts. Fasthosts is the website hosting company and emails are part of this package so can we have one without the other, should only committee accounts be retained.

Action Point 11: Angie to investigate Fasthosts email.

Publicity

Mel has sent an email to Dyslexia Society but hasn't received a reply. Discussion ensued regarding safeguarding issues and how we can escalate concerns. Angie will contact Social Prescriber. Mel will write advertisement for Saltash Community Page

Action Point 12: Angie to contact Social Prescriber re safeguarding issues.

Action Point 13: Mel to write advert for Saltash Community Page

Speakers

Gill has booked a speaker for October - Gold Medals and Steroids and January 2023 - Devonshire Land Girls. She has tried to arrange speakers for monthly Community Spots but not much success.

Action Point 14: Gill to continue trying to get suitable people for Community Slots.

Summary of Action Points.

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2. Amanda to make contact with Denise Watkins.
3. Barry to investigate laptop battery prices
4. Amanda to email members announcing picnic
5. Lesley to organise games for picnic
6. Lesley to speak to Regatta organisers
7. Amanda to collect flags from Barry
8. Amanda to email members re joining committee
9. Roger to enquire if 8 Fore Street has a screen we can advertise on.
10. Barry to investigate changing bank accounts.
11. Angie to investigate Fasthosts email.
12. Angie to contact Social Prescriber re safeguarding issues.
13. Mel to write advert for Saltash Community page.
14. Gill to continue trying to get suitable people for Community Slots.

Next Meeting - Friday 1 July at 2pm Shado Centre

