

Selkirk Colonial Society

Meeting

Thursday 19th May 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Conservative Club

1. Welcome and apologies

Chairman welcomed the 18 members present at the meeting and any apologies were duly recorded.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

These were approved and seconded by Andy Moyes and Lorna Lawson respectively.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising.

4. Common Riding 2016 arrangements

Chairman reported that all arrangements for Bussin' and Reception were progressing satisfactorily and summarised what had been achieved to date. Details of returning exiles were provided and chairman suggested that on the basis of current information we would have well in excess of 100 at the reception, which was perhaps not ideal but with so many from overseas, new members and a large CSB family, this was something we would have to manage as best we could. It may be that if this trend continues in future years, we may have to review matters.

The new School medal was viewed and the award will take place at the Bussin'.

Members decided that the Society Chairman was entitled to wear a Colonial rosette despite not being a former SB. All members indicated their agreement. It was clear during the discussion that members are open to reviewing the existing policy for rosettes, however all agreed to put any debate back until the AGM.

The arrangements for the Foy are in hand with Lindsay, Gerald and Peter.

Final decisions for the 15th were made as follows -

Selling programmes - Lorna and Lorraine

Meeting exiles - Jean and Heather (exiles have been issued with name badges)

Meeting and seating guests - Sheena and Annette

Reception seating - Pat and Sheila

Curtains - Gerald
Charity collection - Andy
Flags - Lindsay
Road management for photo call - Peter and Lewis
LB Presentation - Heather
Dave Mackay presentation - Jean
LB50 - Pat
CSB50 - Ian

Scott Hislop has been contracted to deliver the original flag on the Wednesday and return Thursday. It was arranged that we would decorate the hall Tuesday 2 pm and clear up Thursday 11 am. Sufficient members offered their services.

No other matters were raised, however Chairman would welcome a reminder if there was an obvious omission.

5. Any other competent business

1. Chairman reported that Aileen Firth has offered to take over as secretary if members were in agreement. The plan would be for a gradual handover starting October through to AGM and then for a joint Common Riding 2017 exercise with the Chairman. Members unanimously approved the appointment.
2. A new member application was read out from Joyce Guthrie (Phaup) and husband Laurence. Membership was approved.
3. Chairman read out the CR Trust Appeal. The Society has already made a donation for 2016.

7. Date of next meeting

This was set for 20th October at 7.30 pm in the Tory Club.

Chairman thanked all for their attendance and wished all members a great Common Riding. He then closed the meeting.