

Selkirk Colonial Society

Meeting - Thursday 27th October 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Conservative Club

1. Welcome and apologies

Chairman welcomed 14 members present at the meeting and apologies were received from 10 members.

The Chairman also welcome the new secretary, Aileen Firth to the meeting and thanked her for stepping forward to fill the position.

Ex-Chairman Lindsay Cockburn was presented with his Chairman medal by Ian Clapperton.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

These were approved and seconded by Lindsay Cockburn and Muriel Arres respectively.

3. Matters arising from previous minutes

No matters arising.

4. Feedback from 2016 CR

Thank you letters were received from Lewis Brydon and Anita Craig.

A discussion arose around charges from SBC for the Victoria Hall regarding additional lighting charges, the chairman has this in hand and will report back.

Issues with sound in the hall at the bussin was discussed and that some people may struggle to hear. An ongoing issue and speakers will be encouraged to talk straight into the microphone.

5. CSB 2017

Application has been received and appointment will be announced at the AGM.

6. Newsletter 2016

It has been added to the website and emailed to all members, only 12 were sent by Royal Mail.

7. Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 13th November, members to meet as usual in the Valley at 10am

8. Proposal to introduce a Society Badge

The Chairman presented a thought for a Society badge and much discussion ensued, samples were shown and it was agreed to order both colours and members could choose which one to

buy, they will be around £6 each. There is no obligation to buy one, an individual choice.

9. Suggestion

Discussions have been had around the original 1964 Common Riding LP being 're-mastered' onto a CD, which would include additional songs added when the cassette was released. During the run up to the common Riding 2016 there were lots of people asking if a CD was for sale. Prices have been given by Sound Master based in Galashiels to re-master the original, produce the booklet, CD cover and ensure all licences are obtained. Price to produce 500 copies is £810.00. Proposed selling price would be £10. It was unanimously agreed this was a worthwhile and potentially profitable project and work would commence soon.

10. Donation received towards the preservation of Society sashes

CSB 2016 donated to the society £400 for the heritage fund and £500 towards the preservation of sashes. Lewis was tasked with looking into how this could be done. See pictures below of work Lewis has carried out, the cost of which was just over £500.



All present agreed it was a beautiful job and thanked Lewis. Discussion around whether we should do the 2 remaining sashes, the earlier one showing signs of decay. It was agreed that one would be done and the other to be discussed at a later date. Storage of these and other items needs to be investigated, for now Craig Douglas agreed to store.

11. New Member Applications

2 new member applications were received:

Sandy Monks and Anne Amos – both were accepted.

12. AOCB

Peter Henderson gave a brief update on his attendance at the meeting to re-generate the town centre, moving of bus stops etc. He re-assured members that the casting of the colours DIAS would not be an issue.

Les Mallin who runs an out side bar business has noted an interest in being considered to do the bar at the Bussin reception.

Milly Coltherd was confirmed as a Singer for the Bussin.

Remind members of the town clean up on Sunday 6th November being organised by Councillor Michelle Ballantyne.

13. Date of Next Meeting (AGM)

Thursday 16th February 2017 at 7.30pm at Selkirk Conservative Club

MEETING CLOSED AT 20.30