

SELKIRK COLONIAL SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting held in Conservative Club on 10 May 2012

In attendance	Apologies received from
Lindsay Cockburn (Chairman)	Jean Proudfoot
Ian Clapperton (Secretary)	Brian Nesbitt
Gerald Beggs (Treasurer)	Pat Clapperton
Jim Bunyan	Mary Hughes
Aileen Firth	Mike Hughes
Lorraine Cassidy	Annette Walker
Irene Henderson	Sheila Lockie
Mandy Cockburn	Andy Moyes
Bill Edgar	Janice Hogg
Nancy Carroll	Muriel Arres
Catriona Livingston	Heather Beggs
Andrew Proudfoot	Sheena Chappell
Rosalie Saunders	Larry Chappell
Peter Henderson	Jane Tait
Jim Henderson	
Jean Grieve	

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chairman opened the meeting and took apologies for absence.

2. Minutes of previous meeting and approval

These were approved on the motion of Nancy Carroll, seconded by Mandy Cockburn.

3. Matters arising (not listed on the agenda)

Muriel Arres has withdrawn from the Newsletter team owing to prior commitments and after discussion it was agreed that Aileen Firth would step in.

4. Common Riding and Bussin' 2012 arrangements

Chair updated the members as follows –

- Singers - Mark Hislop is a No, replacement is his son, Lewis Hislop
- Victoria hall arrangements are all OK, access from 3 pm Wednesday
- Programme cost – keep at £2 for this year
- Invites to Concert confirmed as –
 - Guest Chair and partner
 - Provost and partner
 - Edin Souters

- Gala Souters
- Entertainers
- RBSB parents
- RBSB and his official party
- Craft SBs and Lady Bussers
- Exiles – any names to Ian/Gerald. Advert in paper 25 May
- Gerald & Heather attending Spurs Night
- Apologies sent for tonight's Community Council reception
- Sash ready
- Graham Coulson – backdrop arranged
- Ribbons and rosettes – Lorna Lawson has in hand
- Programme now at printers
- Ball tickets collected
- Meeting guests? Jean and Heather will greet exiles and Jim Bunyan, Catriona and Annette will 'mingle'. Larry and Sheena will guide guests, etc to hall seating.
- Selling programmes at door – who? Lorraine and Nancy will handle this.
- Band arranged – High School supported by Silver Band
- Affiliation action completed with SBC
- Gerald will ensure curtains are managed correctly

5. Update on arrangements for Reception

Chair and Lorraine updated the members as follows –

- Meal arrangements in place
- Tablecloths from Buccleuch Cleaners
- Flags/tables to be put in place Tuesday at 2.30 pm (volunteers required)
- Andrew/Jean arranging place names
- Jean managing the flowers
- Dave MacKay to be asked to accompany community singing
- Ian/Gerald to be responsible for ticket sales
- Volunteers to be sought for Thursday morning clean up
- Andrew and Jean to print 115 tickets [of which 25 marked complimentary]
- Allocation of tickets for reception. After some discussion it was agreed that the priority would be -
 - Top table and invited guests/entertainers
 - CSB family
 - Exiles
 - Local members 'who have paid their subs'
 - Craft SBs and LBs
 - Overseas Visitors
 - remaining tickets to be sold depending on individual circumstances
- Complimentary tickets for reception – agreed as follows for 2012 –
 - Provost and partner
 - RBSB and Burleymen
 - CSB and LB

- Guest Chair
- Entertainers
- Edin Souters
- Gala Souters
- Photographer
- Walter Waldie Medal presentation (George and Mgt McDonald)
- Table plan submitted to Victoria Hall
- Nickie's Bar providing bar service at no cost therefore agreed to hold charity collection during the evening [target £100 and Society will cover any shortfall]
- Walter Waldie Medal now ready
- Singers will not be offered complimentary drinks at reception
- Invite to be sent to RBSB parents

6. Update from guidelines sub-group

Jim Henderson provided a verbal update on the work of the group. Papers are to be circulated to members and the recommendations will be discussed over future meetings before final decisions are made. The group were thanked for their work, which gave much food for thought. The salient points were –

- A change of name to remove the link to the colonies
- Annual election/re-election of office bearers
- Creation of a committee to handle routine business
- Use of gavel by chair at meetings
- Formal criteria for selection of standard bearers
- Establish a society officer to guide flag practice, etc
- SB sash to be handed back after casting
- Priority of ticket allocation for reception
- Rosettes only for SB and LB – past and present
- Name badges to be used at reception

7. Any other business

- Arrangements for Foy. Chair, Gerald & Peter will get the drink. Volunteers to run the bar are Billy and Mandy. Eric Middleton to be invited along to the Foy.
- Anonymous donation of £200 received.
- CR Trust meeting 15 May – Chair will attend.

8. Date of next meeting

This was agreed for Thursday 31 May 2012 at the Conservative Club at 7.30 pm..