

Leighton Buzzard Young Farmers General Committee Meeting

Date: 1st February 2016

Location: The Boot, Soulbury

Attending: Caroline Morris (CM) Club Chairman, Matthew Alexander (MA) Vice Chairman, Abi Mustoe (AM) Club Secretary, Anna Stone (AS) and Will Roff (WR) Programme Secretaries, Peter Humphries (PH) Treasurer, Sarah Hookway (SH) Social Secretary, Richard Heady (RH) Club leader, junior committee member Ella Black (EB), County Chairman Dave White (DW) and general committee members Helen Brown (HB), Amy Michie (AM), Henry Hunt (HH) and Alice Cook (AC)

Apologies for absence: Joe Roff (JR), Jemma Flitton (JM), Anna Taylor (AT) and Caroline Bellin

1. **Minutes of the last meeting:** True and correct. CM signed.
2. **Matters arising from previous minutes:** None
3. **Correspondence:**
 - a. Thank you letter from Matt and Sue Heast for their Christmas present
 - b. Thank you letter from Cancer Research for our donation (£338.69) raised from Carol Singing.
 - c. RH is organising a quiz night on 27th Feb at Drayton Parslow pavilion raising money for the RDA. Teams up to 8.
 - d. Bedford YFC organising 3 legged bar crawl around Toddington on 12th February.
 - e. LB came 3rd at the recent Choir competition and 5th in the dancing competition.
 - f. Emails from Jane Helliwell asking for names for public speaking teams/individuals for Eastern Areas
 - i. CM to ask if Freya Moseley would like to do Junior Reading
 - ii. AT to organise Senior Debating team and email Jane. Possible names - AT, AM, Sophie Aziz, Liam O'Hara and Rachel Black
4. **Forthcoming competitions:**
 - a. Watersports Competition 6th Feb at ? Bedford School - CM, MA, SH, Will Peck, Johnny and Harry Brown to take part
 - b. Drama competition 28th February at Cedars Upper School
 - c. Pre-Rally Competition on 13th March at Margaret Rutherford School in Riseley.
 - i. Radio Competition to be held at Pre-Rally now as originally planned. Members to be asked if they would like to take part. Suggested names Will Faulkner, Emma Stone, Jack Gaylor, Rowena Mosely, Jess Maynard
 - d. County Stockjudging Competition - Weds 30th March at Watergate Farm, Hockliffe.

- i. ? cattle, breeding ewes, butchers lambs and pigs.
- ii. MA and WR to find judges.

5. Social Report: SH

- a. Bingo night 5th February at Wing Village Hall
 - i. CM and HB to get crisps and peanuts.
 - ii. JR sorting bar - wine, lager, cider etc.
 - iii. Prizes - 80th tumblers (for the lines), 2x cheese and wine tickets, eggs, cash prize for flyers, 1x summer ball ticket, chocolate, chicken dinner
 - iv. Pack of cards needed in case of draw.
 - v. 2 Florence Nightingale representatives coming along to support event and do a talk on what the charity do.
 - vi. CS bringing box of pens.
 - vii. Plan for evening:
 - 3x Books (£1 each)
 - 1x Flyer (£2 each)
 - Interval
 - Florence Nightingale Talk
 - 3x Books (£1 each)
 - 1x Flyer (£2 each)
 - Raffle
- b. Cheese and Wine 26th February at Cedars Upper School
 - i. Food to be chilli and jacket potatoes as last year. Abi M, Amy M, CM, AS and HB to make chilli. CM to get potatoes and MA, HH, CM, Amy M and AS to cook them. Abi M to bring cream, green salad, cheese and butter. All committee/members to bring puddings.
 - ii. CM to bring table cloths and AT to be asked to do table decorations.
 - iii. Advisory to be asked to bring raffle prizes.
 - iv. JW and JR to arrange bar.
 - v. Agreed £8 entry per person.

6. Programme Report: WR & AS

- a. No changes to current programme.
- b. Flower arranging talk will be arranged for April time with Eileen Humphries' friend.

7. Treasurer Report: PH

- a. Income this to date = £7254.17
- b. Expenditure this year to date = £5252.03
- c. Profit this year = £2002.14
- d. 17 members paid up for club exchange to Rydale on 19th Feb - more still to pay.
- e. Request for MA and HB to be able to access online banking account - PH reports this is the process of being sorted.

8. Membership report:

- a. Lots of members who still need to sign up - JR, Hannah Mustoe, Maisie and Olivia Hill, Joe and Katy Pratt, Beth Lindgren, Polly Shaw.
- b. ? new date members must be signed up by to take part in the rally - to ask at County Exec meeting next Monday.

9. Any other business:

- a. Moving the gantry
 - i. Webby and WR still to go to Fred Flitton's to look at possible gantry locations.
- b. Float thoughts and ideas-
 - i. Better costumes than previous years
 - ii. Wood at AC's house which can be used.
 - iii. Potential ideas - trolls (with forest scenery), Baywatch, Pacman and Ghostbusters.
- c. Drama set
 - i. Parts of previous sets in the container whichn could be used - to meet at Walducks on Saturday 6th to have a look
 - ii. Wood at AC's can also be used.
- d. Rally schedule to be split between committee members to organise entries for:
 - i. Handicrafts - Abi M
 - ii. Flowers - ? AT or JR
 - iii. Cookery - CM and HB
 - iv. Equine - AS and Abi M
 - v. Livestock - WR and MT
 - vi. Grain and Hay - Alex Morris
 - vii. Skills - Amy M and SH
 - viii. Main Ring - MA

10. Date and place of next meeting:

- a. Wednesday 9th March 2016 at The Boot, Soulbury 7:30pm

Signed:

Date: