

The Camping and Caravanning Club.
South Suffolk District Association

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday 7th June 2010 at 7.15pm.

Apologies for Absence

Steve Thompson – work commitments. Wayne Potter not in attendance at start of meeting

4999 **Chairman's Opening Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to Hallowtree

5000 **Approval of minutes from 12th April 2010**

The minutes were agreed and the Chairman signed them as a true record.

5001 **Matters arising from minutes of 12th April 2010**

Letter to John Beales was published on Region website. Ian wrote to Bill & Wendy thanking them for their time on the committee. Catherine Dance was contacted regarding the need to co-opt her on a temporary basis

5002 **Secretary's Report**

a) The following Green Papers were received –

5.2 Website guidelines, 1.27 Procedures for Managing inoperative Units

b) Exec Decisions – 1 made regarding an agreed amount of £100 max to be paid to Bob Massey to build a website. (This decision however is now void as following consideration, Bob Massey withdrew his offer to build the website)

5003 **Treasurer's Report**

Profit and loss for the latest meets was discussed. Darin advised that he was hoping Tattingstone THS would help improve the current deficit. A discussion was held regarding the fee charged at the recent meet at Bury St Edmunds – some campers had commented that it was cheap. Darin commented that it was very difficult to set fees and not all campers feel the same way about fees.

The current Charity figure is £128.32

Darin circulated the latest bank statement. Confirmed that Ian has completed his section for the change of signatories and Hazel has now completed her section & the bank advised everything was in order. Angie advised that the form needed to have been returned to her as it needed to be 'witnessed' by the secretary. Hazel will write to the bank to confirm what happens next with this form.

Wayne arrived at 7.20pm

5004 **Site Secretary's Report**

a) 2010 sites needing stewards – Angie advised that we still need stewards for Dan's Meadow 9-11th July.

b) 2011 sites booking update – Angie advised that Whatfield has been booked for the AGM. Whatfield had also been booked for Easter but the hall and camping prices have increased 20% this year. Angie will contact the owner to see if we can negotiate for the AGM but will look into somewhere else for Easter in view of the number of nights we will need the hall. Easter discussed in general but it was agreed this would be an agenda item for the next meeting

Hazel to check out a possible meet venue at The Cherry Tree, Soham

Nick passed on some contact details to Angie for another venue in Soham called The Brook who are looking to offer land for meets.

Angie advised she had notification from the owner of Brokhowse, Weeley that we couldn't book a date in August 2011 as WEDA always have it for the month, and have done for the last 10 years. Gill Samuels had advised Angie that WEDA were not booking this next year. Angie advised Nick she was concerned about going back to the owner if WEDA had not informed him that they would not be attending. **Nick will take up with WEDA.**

5005 **Social Secretaries Report**

a) Christmas – Duo booked called Kazooga for £300. They will play from 8 -11pm and want to set up at 6.30. A discussion was held regarding food options as there has been feedback that the buffet last year contained too much spicy food. A number of options were discussed but it was felt that the best option was to stay with the buffet but we will ask for less spicy food for this year. It was agreed to allow the same budget of £250 for food as last year. Darin will work out prices and Ian will pull together booking form and forward to Darin.

b) New Year – Annie has been booked for 30th December £175 and New Era Disco has been booked for NY Eve £180. Andy advised he had looked at alternative option for this meet but prices were over £600 for New Years Eve so this was not a viable option given the spend on other entertainment already this year.

FOL – Not Fade Away – Buddy Holly Tribute band has been booked & confirmed

- 5006 PRO**
National Camping week was advertised at Thetford Meet with details and leaflets given out regarding the competitions
- 5007 DA Reps Report**
Nothing to report however Wayne spoke to Nick regarding how he was spoken to by a Regional councillor at the last regional meeting.
- 5008 Block Booking Officers Report**
2 Booking forms have been received for the NFOL. They were sent on to region but were probably too late as the closing date was 1st May for Region and no other forms received to enable us to book a DA section.
Ian commented that the system was problematic, Nick advised it would need to be raised at Regional Council. Ian thanked Nick for dealing with the forms
Ian has some Goosefair forms and suggests anyone interested in going needs to book direct.
- 5009 Conservation Officers Report**
NA
- 5010 Equipment Officers Report**
Wayne is waiting for some prices to come back for Marquees that are light but strong
- 5011 Regalia**
Don commented that sales were slow and felt the pennons were over-priced. Darin proposed that the price of these be reduced to £2 and Hazel seconded. All agreed.
- 5012 Youth**
Angie advised that a new Youth guide had been received along with Youth application forms. It was agreed these should be put in the crates.
- 5013 Website**
Dave Nelson has been approached and has agreed to work on a new website after our previous contact withdrew his offer to build the site. Dave has put together a first attempt and has sent to Ian and Angie. Ian will forward the link on to everyone to enable all committee to make comments and feedback to Ian to collate and pass onto Dave. Dave is having trouble getting hold of Chris Nursey for DA & C&CC logos. Nick advised Chris had been on holiday.
- 5014 Grandfather Rights**
DA level (Stewarding rights). Darin advised he has had some negative feedback from members regarding steward's grandfather rights and felt it was serving no benefit to the club. Darin explained how we introduced this ruling to new members & a discussion was held amongst the committee. It was agreed by all that we would cease this ruling, however a period of time would be given to allow this message to be filtered out to the members. It was agreed Angie would arrange for a message to go onto the region website (and SSDA when ready) stating that members need to contact her by the FOL weekend if there is a particular meet that they wish to steward for 2011.
- 5015 Any Other Business**
Andy advised that when stewarding Bury, the entertainment booked by the social club arrived in a caravan & approached Andy about where to camp. Andy asked what should be done in this situation as they were not members of the C&C club. Nick advised that strictly speaking they should not have been allowed to camp as we hire the whole field but in this situation it should be made clear to the camper that they would not be considered part of the rally and preferably should park clear of our area.
Paula asked if there were any more Region sites books – Nick to check if any available
Angie suggested a tea club for the committee meetings. £1 each to buy supplies of tea/coffee/sugar/milk. All agreed, Angie to co-ordinate, all to bring mugs next meeting
- 5016 Date and time of next meetings**
9th August 2010 7.15pm, 11th October 2010 7.15pm

Meeting closed 9pm