

Pen Selwood Sports & Social Club

Minutes of Post Fete Wash Up
held on 21st August 2014 at Woodlands at 7.30 pm

Present:

Bruce and Jennifer Bower, Dick & Rita Capron, Cliff and Anne Clark, Jeremy Cox, Peter and Sarah Fitzgerald.

Apologies:

Pete Price, Rob and Nicky Backus, Ian and Jenny Steadman, Heather Doe, Geoff and Stella Parcell.

Chairman's Report

Jeremy thanked all those present and congratulated everyone on an excellent result.

Post meeting. Nigel Feaver has written a letter of thanks for the very generous donation to the Church.

Treasurers Report

Bruce tabled the accounts which had already been circulated. These noted the record results and the amazing result from the White Elephant.

It was proposed by Anne Clark and seconded by Sarah Fitzgerald that the accounts be adopted and they were so unanimously.

Bruce undertook to make the distributions forthwith.

Individual Stands Report

Books. A report from Jenny said that the tent was ideal and sales were up this year.

Bottles. A great result and many thanks to the Backus family for organizing. It was agreed to keep the price at £1. Rob would like to stand down for next year, a replacement will be needed.

Toys. Big thanks to Brian and Lorna for taking on the toys, which proved very popular.

Plants and Produce. Sarah reported that the profit was slightly down this year.

White Elephant. A remarkable result, which combined with the pre loved clothing, has managed to double their net profit over the past two years. Dick and Rita would like to move the stalls from behind the shed to line up with the other stalls on the right. This will not present any problems. A huge thanks to Dick and Rita for all their hard work.

Pre-loved clothing. A most popular addition to the Fete. Many thanks to Sarah and Rita for this initiative.

Coconut shy. Changed position for this year, should be moved nearer the fence so as not to clash with circus skills or similar activity.

Grand Raffle. Great work from the Wilson family. Slightly down on last year. Will need organizing earlier for next year.

Beer Tent. A great success. Rob and team happy to carry on next year. No need for mains power lead as they will organize cooling. Ice and buckets to be provided by Fete.

Ice Cream. Thanks to the Wilson boys, will move stall onto main ground for next year.

Bar B Q. Location alongside Beer tent was ideal, sales were brisk and quality food was available. Probably require more food for next year.

Teas. A great effort by all, the teas were hugely popular and very well attended, producing record takings. A very big thank you to Sandra who pulls it all together. Suggested that next year a Ploughmans lunch be available.

Flower Produce and Handicraft Show. A very full Church with some wonderful displays. Suggested that the entry fee remains at 30 pence. Prize money should only be awarded to children. The Fete History display was a great success and Stella has plans to continue with the display. Thanks to Ann for all her hard work organizing the day.

Cake Stall. All sold in half an hour. Thanks to Heather for organizing.

Pen Cakes. A big thanks to Vivienne for organizing the Pen cakes. They proved very popular and it was suggested that they should appear at the Black Bin café.

Advertising. Stella sent an excellent piece to the BV and organized wide distribution of flyers and notice boards which was great for public awareness.

Gifts and Jewellery. Once again Elaine's stall had produced a most useful contribution.

Skittles. Many thanks to Peter and Tony for making this popular entertainment happen again.

Candy Floss. Many thanks to Nigel for again running this traditional fete attraction.

Car Parking. The ground held up really well and the bucket produced £58.22.

Sound system. Robin Cuthbert made the Sports & Social equipment work well. There were comments on the piped music; Jeremy commented that he would try again for live music next year.

Circus Skills and Bigbugbag. These entertainments were very popular and contributed to the fun atmosphere of the fete. There was a brief discussion about entertainments for 2015. Jeremy noted that Organic Drums had been booked for 2015; Bruce said he was on the lookout for a reptile show as these were always created much interest.

AOB

Vehicles should not be allowed on the field before the formal ending of the Fete.

Lucy Nelson, who will be High Sheriff of Somerset for 2015, is to be asked to open the Fete next year.

It was agreed that the midday start was a success and will be repeated.

A discussion took place on improving the fete infrastructure. It was generally agreed that new canopies for the stalls were a priority; Jeremy will speak to Andrew and discuss funding at the next Sports and Social meeting.

Thanks

Peter Fitzgerald thanked Jeremy for all his work as Chairman.

Date of 2014 Summer Fete.

Confirmed as Saturday August 1st 2015.