

Wednesday 29th February 2012 – EUCRS AGM – St. David's Church

19:08 – Meeting Opens

Present:

Daisy Atkin, Stephanie Hills, James Bennett, John Underhill, Richard Johnson, Alice Holden, Caroline Selley, Rosie Illingworth, James Whittaker, Emma Cross

Apologies:

James Kerslake, Kathryn Kerslake, Alex Rowan, Amy Jones, Jeremy Child

1. Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:

- a. One per learner books need to be bought. This has not been sorted since previous AGM. Steph says she will sort this out after looking at finances.
- b. Publicity not great for Freshers 2011, needs to be better for Freshers 2012. Need to have better presence at Freshers' Squash
- c. Campanophile & Ringing World need to be used in the run-up to Freshers '12. It is to be noted that we did get responses from these this year.
- d. Website needs to be updated in terms of both context and design – James Bennett will look at this and speak to Matt Hilling.

These are signed as true minutes of last year's meeting.

2. President's Summary of last year's activities:

- a. Good intake of freshers, just about balancing out the fact that we lost a lot of people from years abroad, graduation etc.
- b. Bristol outing very good, contacting them to confirm date for this year. Would like more of a presence from Exeter in the future as only 5 people went in 2011.
- c. Beach BBQ – well attended, lots of sandcastle building and food consumption.
- d. Halloween Desert social – publicity could be better for this, we need to think carefully about what day of the week it is put on and the timing as it is quite soon after Freshers' Week so we need to make sure we encourage new students to such socials!
- e. Curry social was not held this year, something to think about for next year – a curry birthday was held in lieu for Grich.
- f. SUA was attended by Daisy and Steph in Cambridge. Fantastic weekend, definitely need more of an Exeter presence in Bristol next year.
- g. Christmas meal, which was very successful at the White Hart. Will probably go back here next year as it seems to serve us well each year.
- h. The Annual Dinner was successful, albeit a bit expensive (see Treasurer's report/AOB). Fun was had by all. Rise in ticket prices next year as prices have been the same for the past 6 years – consider one price for students and one for non-students.

- i. James Whittaker questions if tower outings can be included in the price of the ticket. They already are included.
- j. Pancake party last week, which again was fairly well attended. Much tossing was done by all. The evening is probably one of the more successful 'house' socials we've had this year.
- k. Good achievements this year in terms of ringing, 3 handbell quarters (firsts for Alice in PB Minor & PB Major, first for Daisy in PB Minor) and a tower bell quarter (first for Daisy in PB Doubles). Hope to build on this next year. Steph thinks people need to work on conducting to call more quarters.

3. Treasurer's Report:

- a. The dinner made a loss this year, due to several factors. The primary one was that the hotel was very cryptic about the deposit we put down on the room. Despite this, the loss has left us with a higher closing balance than in 2010, before the 2011 dinner made such a big profit.
- b. James Whittaker asks if too much is being spent on the guest speaker. His point is "Do we really need a guest speaker?" Grich points out that there is a great tradition amongst ringing dinners of having a guest speaker. Steph explains that in actual fact, only £40 (with £40 from Guild funding) was spent on a guest speaker this year, so it's a fairly insignificant amount with regards to the whole dinner.
- c. The Students' Guild were unable and unwilling to provide up to date information on the finances, so the report with these minutes are what John could couple together, mainly with regards to the Annual Dinner. A separate copy of the treasurer's report will be made available when the SG provide us with current information

Society Income	£	Society Outgoing	£
Subs	119	Clarence	1298.5
Ticket Sales for AD	1785	Clarence Deposit	350
Deposit Reimbursement	350	Room Hire	350
		Daffodils	7
		Postage	25
		Band	350
		Printing Costs	5.7
		Speaker	
		Accommodation	50
		Meal	49
	2254		2485.2

Balance brought forwards 780
Total income position -231.2
Money in account 548.8

4. Election of committee members for 2012/2013:

President/Ringing Master ECG:	Daisy Atkin
Vice President/Deputy Master:	Emma Cross
Secretary:	Rosie Illingworth
Treasurer:	Alice Holden
Publicity:	Vicky Abrams
QP & Stock:	Stephanie Hills

These are voted in unanimously with the exception of Publicity Officer from which there is one abstention. All carry and the new committee are elected.

5. Any other business:

- a. Any income that goes through the Students' Guild will now be subject to 20% VAT. Query new bank account with St. David's tower/ECG.
- b. James Whittaker objects to this as ECG is a charity and is exempt from VAT. However we are operating as the EUCRS. James suggests that an ECG bank account is set up.
- c. Steph points out that she wishes for the dinner to remain with the students and does not want it to be taken over by anyone else.
- d. Grich suggests waiting until the Students' Guild actually know what is happening, we lay low. The Guild are seemingly unsure about what is going on as well, so we shall wait and possibly have an EGM
- e. Vote of thanks to outgoing committee

Meeting Closed 19:48