

**A meeting of the Friends of St Mary's, Bacton,
held on Wednesday September 6th 2006
Mill House Farm 7.30pm.**

Minutes

Attendance:

Simon Holdich (Chairman)
Sue Middleton (Secretary)
Dick Middleton (Treasurer)
Andy Friend (Membership Secretary)
Angela Friend
Rose Graham
Helen Thomson

Welcome and apologies

Apologies received from Peggy Boyer, Pip Wright, Janice Shea, David Black

Minutes of the meeting on Thursday, July 13th 2006

Helen proposed, Rose seconded. Agreed as a true copy.

Matters arising

Simon thanked everyone who helped at the Bacton Fayre, particularly the photographic display. It was felt that it was good to have a presence. The Christmas Card Competition to be discussed at next month's meeting as Anne was unable to make the meeting.

The teddy abseil had been a success and it was hoped to be an annual event, but on a Friday and in the evening, with a hog roast, hoping to involve the whole family. Simon thanked everyone who had helped make the event a success.

Financial Report

The treasurer's report was circulated and approved. There was £2053.63 in the bank. Simon and Dick to transfer the money to the COIF Charity Fund. Under 'Events Analysis' 'c' is the money raised at the Teddy Abseil. The money was split equally between the Bacton Under Fives and the Friends. Annual income through standing orders now stood at £1.900. Financial Summary as 9th September attached.

Forthcoming Events Metal Detecting Day October 1st

The tickets had been selling well after Simon wrote to all the people who had attended last year's event. Ticket Sales stood at 62, at the time of the meeting.

Maps were required, of varying sizes. Rose to liase with Angela, who would photocopy what was required for the day. Water heaters would be hired and everything else the Friends would provide. The metal detectors asked if there would be a raffle, so it was agreed to have one. Simon to donate a bottle of whisky for the best find, and Helen, also a bottle of whisky for the raffle. Members offered to donate the raffle prizes. Rose to check with Fay Minter the small finds officer that she was still coming for the identification of the finds.

More volunteers were required for mapping and identification, and photographing the finds for records.

- Rose to supply badges
- Rose and Helen to do the registration
- Gordon to organise the cooking
- Sue H and Helen to write list of everything required from wholesalers
- Sue H and Rose to make cakes
- Dick Piggott to be approached for the bacon
- Use of Village Hall loos and tables would be required.
- Hay bales to sit on
- A shed at the Manor had been located – for cooking and identifying finds etc.
- Electric cable required – On site viewing to certain what was required re power, lighting. Andy has floodlights, Helen offered a generator. Helen to ask Letty if the power could be taken from her house, otherwise Dick to contact Andy Harris who is a trustee at the Manor. All agreed that we had enough BBQs, gas rings frying pans etc for the day. Dick and Sue 2 rings, rose 2 rings Helen and Andy BBQs.

Fashion Show 2nd November 7.30

- Ian Everett, who has offered to do the staging to be asked to look at the venue.
- It was agreed that the tickets would be £6 and £3 for children.
- Dawn, who is putting on the fashion show to donate a draw prize.
- Volunteers are required as models. Helen to put an advertisement in the Parish magazine for both the show and models.
- The show will include daywear, eveningwear, jewellery, hats and wedding
- Dawn is coming to look at the church before the event.
- Helen to do the tickets
- Details to be finalised at the October meeting

Church Ale May 17th 2007

At the first meeting it was decided that this event should be called a mediaeval fair. It was suggested that **St Mary's Mediaeval Fair** was a good name. Pip had located a brewery Cox and Holbrook to make the Ale at £45 for 70 pints. Ideas for entertainment;

- The Angel Players – who give an impression of mediaeval life
- Hobby Horse Jousting
- Birds of Prey
- Archery
- Wool Spinning
- Morris Dancers
- Entertainment Licence would be required
- Further sub group date needs to be decided
- Wood Carving

Any other business

The Friends of Wyverstone had suggested a joint event for teenagers. Andy to discuss this further.

A music licence should be bought for concerts - £18 per year organised by the church licensing authority – Andy to obtain a licence. Date for the diary - Gislingham Silver Band, November 10th in conjunction with the Lions.

Date of next meeting Thursday October 12th Cromwell House at 7.30

Gordon, W. H. P. etc