

## **Friends of St. Mary's Bacton**

### **Minutes of meeting held on June `4<sup>th</sup> 2007 following the AGM**

#### **Attendance**

Simon Holdich (chairman), Dick Middleton (treasurer), Rose Graham, Angela Friend, Andrew Friend, Richard Peaty, Rosie Black, Robert Black, Barbara Bilston, Peggy Boyer, Helen Thompson, Ann Kent.

#### **Welcome and apologies**

Apologies received from Carol Milward, David Black, Janice Shea, Pip Wright, Sue Middleton.

#### **Minutes of the meeting on Thursday May 10.**

Were agreed as a true record

#### **Matters arising**

None, but see Folk Night below.

#### **Bacton Church Ale Folk Night May 13 – report**

Was a success, making a profit well in excess of £600 and was well received by audience. The event was well attended although the chairman would have liked to have sold 40 or 50 more tickets. He wondered if email addresses could be collected of people interested in concert attendance. Ann Kent suggested that information/tickets about forthcoming events could be given at concerts, e.g. we might have told Bacton concert attenders about the benefice concert. It was also suggested that sponsorship should be sought for any future concert programmes.

#### **Benefice Concert – report**

Also a success, despite the difficulty of being the week after the Bacton concert. All parishes involved made some money.

#### **Bacton Fayre, August 4, progress report**

The committee has still not decided what kind of stall to have at the summer fayre, but has agreed it should be more than a "presence". A photo display will be arranged by Richard and Andy. Angela has agreed to look after the Christmas card competition, which will be on display in the flower tent. Angela, Helen and possibly Janice to help on the stall. The stall and a space in the flower tent for the competition have been booked.

#### **Metal detecting**

Simon reported this was more complicated than usual this year. Tony Finbow had kindly offered land for the metal detectors, but there was no suitable access for 70 – 80 cars and more than 100 people. Metal detectors need a ploughed field and James Black was able to offer a field at the beginning of March 2008 (still within the current financial year). Simon will check if this date is suitable for the metal detectors.

**Pantomime**

This would be a joint event with Friends of St. George's, Wyverstone. It is currently being organised by Helen Thompson, Mark Wilson, Helen Hardy and Penny Black, but the committee may grow bigger later. Provisional performance dates are Friday Jan 18 and two performances on Saturday Jan. 19. There will be a script walk through on September 6 and auditions thereafter. The script has been written by Mark Wilson, of Longstraw Cottage, Wyverstone. He will also produce the panto. Rehearsals to be in the scout hall, and it is hoped that 600 tickets will be sold.

**Any other business**

The treasurer reported that £6,000 was on deposit earning interest of £240 per year and £340 of gift aid had been claimed. He asked when the PCC would be able to give an idea of what repairs and refurbishments are needed in the church. Barbara Bilston said this uncertainty should be resolved when the new incumbent takes office.

**Date of next meeting**

July 12 at Old Manor Cottage, Bacton.

The meeting closed at 8.20 p.m.

*Signatures*