A Meeting of the Friends of St Mary's, Bacton Thursday, 8th October 2009 at Cromwell House

Charity Number 1106579

Minutes

Present:

Simon Holdich (Trustee, Chairman)
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Claire Bissett (Trustee, treasurer)
Andrew Friend (Trustee, Membership Secretary)
Angela Friend
Rose Graham (Trustee)
Sue Middleton (Trustee, secretary)
Janice Shea
Helen Thomson
Liz Varley

Welcome and apologies. Simon welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Pip Wright, Ann Kent, Norma Lambert, Richard Peaty, Dick Middleton, and Peggy Boyer.

Minutes of the meeting on Thursday July 10th 2009 – all in favour and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters arising:

There were no matters arising

Financial Report: The treasurer circulated the summary of accounts, which were noted and approved. Balance held - £22,558 at 17 September 2009. Claire said that she needed advance warning to pay bills so that she could transfer money from the deposit account.

- Insurance. After discussion regarding the Friends' insurance policy and cover for the pantomime, it was agreed that Simon would pursue the matter.
- Andy to circulate membership list, and to provide a sign to encourage people to become members.

Pantomime Update

Helen had circulated a form for those who wished to help with the pantomime in various ways, from helping with the scenery, selling programmes, or donating a draw prize. She also handed out pre order forms for pantomime tickets. She said that the rehearsals were going very well, and that all the advertising space in the programme had been filled.

Christmas cards

The Friends agreed that the Friends would not produce Christmas cards this year, but if anyone wanted to sell the 2008 Christmas cards and notelets, or take them to other events they were very welcome.

Metal Detecting March 14th 2010

James Black had offered land for the March Metal Detecting Day -50 acres. The tickets would cost £15 and field walkers £5. The land is about half a mile away from the farm buildings, and it was suggested that there may be a need for a shuttle service.

Any Other Business:

- It was agreed that the Friends would support the Carol Concert on 20th December by serving mince pies and mulled wine.
- The Jubilee Choir had asked to come again this year, but a Christmas event has not been scheduled into the programme this year. It was suggested that the Friends may hold a summer event.

- Bacton Fayre. It was agreed that the 'Guess the Find' game was a great success, and tied up well with the Friends major fund raising event. This could be developed into something we could do at future Fayres.
- Liz's offer of the 'Tudor Worship' event was warmly welcomed. She asked for everyone to look out for a Monstrance, ('a receptacle for which the consecrated host is exposed for adoration')

Date of next meeting: 12th November 2009 at 7. 30pm. At August I House