

The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
9th December 2010, August House 7.30pm



MINUTES

Present: Claire Bissett, Peggy Boyer, Pip Wright, Simon Holdich, Andy Friend, Angela Friend, Richard Peatie, Ann Kent, Helen Thomson

		Action
1.	Apologies – Mike Talbot, Sue & Dick Middleton, Norma Lambert, Rev Julia Lall, Rev Liz, Janice Shea, Rose Graham & Brian Manley who is willing to help in any way but not on the committee please!	
2.	The minutes of the last meeting 14/10/10 – were accepted unanimously and signed by the Chairman as a true record.	
3.	Matters arising – there were no matters arising.	
4.	Financial Report - Claire presented the attached report (Page 2). The balance in the accounts is £20,481, of which £10,481 is in the current account and £10,000 in the investment account. The SNAP project would probably request their grant in two stages. The first for the outside plumbing work, and the second for the internal work. Helen to get the appropriate information. There had been a standing order non-payment in September. Helen to find out if this was intentional.	Helen
5.	Call my Wine Bluff - 15 th January 2011 (Please see notes on Page 3). This is progressing well. We need to sell 12 tables of 8 tickets. Ann & Richard, Angela & Andy, Peggy, Sue & Simon, Pip and Claire each took a set of 8 tickets (6 tables). Eve Botham has taken a table of tickets, Helen Hardy has offered and suggested were Sue & Dick Middleton, Val R-H, Jennifer T, Val & Alan Couldridge. Andy volunteered to get the appropriate licence. Ann offered to find out what the capacity of the VH is, if we can use candles and if the ovens are run from the heating meter. Everyone offered to help. We need ideas for music, decoration & table coverings. Also ideas for the script – Richard & Helen?	Andy Ann All Richard?
6.	Company of Friends (<i>to discuss asking C of F to have representation on Friends group as a trustee - see October Minutes</i>). Selina Noton had been approached about this and felt, with the work involved with the CoF, it was too much to also be involved with the FoSM. We decided to send minutes of each meeting to Selina for distribution and that we would welcome any of them to our meetings if they wished.	Helen Sue M
7.	'Ruby and her Horses' . This had been booked for 20 th May.	
8.	SNAP project progress report (see attached report on Page 4). The SNAP committee thanked the Friends for their generous grant. The building of the community room and organ loft has started. The aim was to obtain £176,000 for the building work and £62,000 for the organ refurbishment. £172,584 has been raised for the building work. An amazing amount, of which almost £16,000 was contributed by the Friends. Helen is the Friends representative on SNAP and was asked to continue on this committee.	
9.	Floodlight the church for Christmas. All agreed that we should offer to pay for this. Simon to ask Robert Black.	Simon
10.	Any other business . We decided not to provide Mince Pies & Mulled Wine at the Carol Service unless asked as most of us were not available to help.	
11.	Date of next meeting . We decided not to have a meeting in January. The next meeting will be on 10 February at Brookside (Mike Talbot) – to be confirmed.	Helen

2011 Dates for the diary:-

15 Jan - Saturday	7.30pm	Call my Wine Bluff – Bacton Village Hall
10 Feb	7.30pm	Meeting at Brookside
10 March	7.30pm	Meeting at ?
25 & 26 March		Village Cabaret – Company of Friends
20 May - Friday	7.30pm	Ruby and her Horses at St Mary's Bacton
September		Metal Detecting

Friends of St Mary's Bacton
Treasurer's Report – Accounts to December 2010
9th December 2010

Summary for the current year

The balance in the accounts is **£20,481**, of which £10,481 is in the current account and £10,000 in the investment account.

The income for the year to date is £6,210 with expenditure of £692, leading to a **net inflow of £5,518**. Excluding a donation for repairing the lead on the lean-to roof, the **net income is £5,663**.

The significant movements so far this year have been income of £2,877 from the metal detecting day (March - £2,294), £1,505 from the pantomime, £500 donation from M Talbot and expenditure of £261 for annual insurance (last year - £255) and a donation of £145 for repair work to the church.

Income and expenditure

Income and expenditure comprises:-

	Income	Expense	Net profit	Comments
Standing orders (Apr-Aug)	764		764	£200 less than prior year due to one non-payment in September.
Bank interest	37		37	
Donations	832		832	£332 Gift Aid tax credit relating to 2009/10. £500 donation.
Church repairs		145	-145	£145 for lead on lean-to roof
Pantomime	1,505		1,505	
Metal Detecting	3,071	194	2,877	See below
Running expenses		352	-352	£261 annual insurance payment, £10 drinks for AGM, £21 CCLI licensing, £61 printing costs
TOTAL	6,210	692	5,518	

Metal detecting

	Entry fees	Refreshments	BBQ	Raffle	Other	Total
Income	2,355.00	149.00	277.00	242.00	48.00	3,071.00
Expenditure	-75.55	-24.07	-69.85	-25.00	-	-194.47
TOTAL	2,279.45	124.93	207.15	217.00	48.00	2,876.53

Entry fees comprise the £15 registration fee for metal detectorists and £5 walking fee, with costs relating the hire of the tables (£25), garden vouchers as thank you to the Wilsons (£30) and envelopes (£20).

Refreshments is income from sale of teas, coffees and cakes, with associated costs for teabags, milk, cups and spoons etc.

BBQ is income from sale of food from the barbecue with the cost of beef burgers and buns deducted.

Other is income from sale of bacon, cola and cards

Call My Wine Bluff

We've put an advert in the Parish News for December and it should go in January's as well. Helen will remind Terry.

We are aiming to have 12 tables of eight people. Helen's printed the tickets. **Already 7 sets have been handed out.**

We have booked Bacton Village Hall rather than the school because the school couldn't take that number of people seated and we needed cooking facilities.

We'll probably have 4 panellists. **We have 3 confirmed, Sue Jack, Katie Le May & Peter Hawkes, and one checking other commitments. All of these have acting ability and we'll have a rehearsal after Christmas.**

- Glasses from **Shami**
- Helen & Rose Banqueting roll
- May need medium sized plates (Val R-H).

Wine –**Shami Gill at Wattisfield Wines has offered to donate some good quality wine and to help on the occasion.**

Food

We think to preset the tables with the plates, cutlery & **some** food (in the centre) so that there's no queuing. But when is it best to eat? **Have the 3 white wines first & then an interval with food and then the 3 red and one 'surprise'?**

When do we have a break? **After the 3 white.**

We've had an offer of bread from a professional – which we'll need to bake a little - 55 large baguettes £27.49. **Some we'll bake during the afternoon and the others at the Village Hall.** The bread warming should make the Hall smell very welcoming.

We've costed butter, salad, napkins, cheeses, pickled onion, tomatoes & water.

Could we **all** provide chutney, a pudding (to eat with fingers?) and a raffle prize?

Music and decoration? Who, when, how, what?

Proceedings – these still need to be ironed out.

There will be 6 or 7 wines to taste – 3 red, 3 white and 1 other perhaps. Each of the bottles is covered so that the label cannot be seen or identified and this cover has the number of the wine – 1 to 6/7. All the tables taste these wines one at a time.

After each wine is tasted the panel members take turns to name & describe the wine (any selection of: country, grape, style, flavours, owner of wee vineyard, terrain, history, etc. etc. effusively and with great passion) and each table has to decide which is the correct description.

There is a "Controller" (Gavin Graham **and Shami?**) at a white board who asks each table in turn which panellist is telling the truth (perhaps asking for reasons?) and puts the marks on his white board. **Or: Each table has to fill in a memo sheet saying which panellist they think is giving the true definition and send a runner to give it to the Controller?** He then asks each panellist to expose their card (either TRUE or BLUFF). **Or: Then he allocates the marks while the next wine is being tasted, and the totals are invisible until the end.** On a second white board (or screen) he'll keep a running total of marks for each table. **If there's a draw after the 6 wines everybody tastes the seventh wine and the tying teams each have to guess what is WITHOUT any help from the experts, and the closest answer (right country, right grape etc.) wins?**

8 December, 2010. Some figures for Friends of St Mary's

As you will see from this latest set of figures we are fairly close to our fund raising goal for the building work and have a number of grant applications outstanding. It has been hard work and our contractor (F A Valiant & Son Ltd) started the building work almost 2 weeks ago. We still have a fair way to go with the organ David Black & Brian Manley prepared and dug out the foundations along with many other volunteers including Sue & Simon Holdich. We are greatly indebted to them.

Amount we need to raise for building work	£176,000
What we had until 2010	£74,000
Grants in 2010	£98,584
Total raised to date	£172,584.00

Amount we need to raise for organ	£62,000
In the PCC Organ Fund	£40,000
On Organ Fund (6/6/10)	£300
Total raised to date	£40,300

Grants applied for

	applied	response	
The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation	28/6/10	October	£500
All Churches Trust (charitable branch of Ecclesiastical Insurance)	4/10/10		£30,000
Beatrice Laing Trust	14/9/10	25/12/10	£30,000