

**The Friends of St Mary's, Bacton
Thursday, June 30th 2011, St Mary's**

Registered Charity Number 1106579

Minutes



Present Simon Holdich (Trustee, Chairman)
Claire Bisset (Trustee, treasurer)
Andrew Friend (Membership Secretary)
Angela Friend
Rose Graham (Trustee)
Norma Lambert (Trustee)
Sue Middleton (Trustee, secretary)
Dick Middleton (Trustee)
Mike Talbot
Rvd Liz Varley
Peter Franks

Welcome and apologies. Simon welcomed everyone to the Friends Meeting which followed the AGM and noted that the following had offered their apologies: Janice Shea, Pip Wright, Peggy Boyer (Trustee) Helen Thomson

Minutes of the meeting on May 12th – All in favour and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters arising: There had been discussion regarding the position of chair at this meeting. Simon pointed out that the Charities Commission required the position of Chair, so there would be no change regarding this matter.

Financial Report:

Claire had circulated the financial report to the Friends. She reported that Ruby and her Horses had brought in a total of £458.94, Gift Aid £427 and cheques for the Metal Detecting Day were coming in for the September Metal Detecting Day

Ruby and her Horses May 20th

Rose thought that although the show went on too long, everyone enjoyed the evening which raised £458.94. She wished to convey her thanks to Richard and Gavin for their help in blacking out the church windows. Simon thanked Rose for organising the show.

Bacton Fayre

It was agreed that the Friends would join the SNAP team, and Andy was to ask Anne if there were any plans for a picture board for the stand.

Liz to hold the 'Pin the smile on the Crocodile' again as this had been successful last year, also to run a sweepstake on how many pipes the new organ would have.

Metal Detecting

Simon had sold 110 tickets already for the Metal Detecting Day on September 18th. There was an acreage of 70, so a maximum of 175 tickets should be sold. Tony Finbow wanted access to the land to go via Swilltub Lane. Simon would make the residents aware of this near the time. Rose needed details of the exact land for the mapping. Simon asked for as

much help from the Friends as possible. Sue and Dick gave their apologies. There were draw prizes left over from Ruby and Her Horses, which could be used.

Any other Business –

Peter Franks and Liz has visited the organ restorer, Peter Bumstead, and were very impressed by the standard of work and thought that the finished organ would be spectacular. Most of the work is done by Peter Bumstead, but some of the unskilled work is outsourced. There would be some organ capacity in time for Christmas. Brian Manley has the exact figures of the cost of the refurbishment, installation and enhancement of the organ.

Dick suggested that most of the future Friends' meetings be held in the Community Rooms, as the environment may be less excluding to potential new members than a private home. It was agreed to try this, maybe having the meetings in homes during the cold weather. Sue suggested that if future meetings were to be held in the community rooms, the Friends could buy 24 wine glasses to be kept in the kitchen area. Agreed unanimously. Contribution to heating costs to be looked in to.

There being no other business Simon thanked everyone for another year of hard work.

Next Meeting, September 8th 2011 in the Community Rooms St Marys, Bacton at 7.30pm

Dates for the diary:-

August 6 th	Bacton Fayre
September 2 nd	Friends' Meeting
September 18 th	Metal Detecting