

The meeting closed with Mrs Darbey proposing a vote of thanks to John Sheldon.

Margaret Mackay Secty.
J. L. M. President.

2nd February 1944.

A committee meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30pm with Dr. John Sheldon Presiding

Apologies - Mrs Howat, Mrs Hamilton & Miss Hill Stewart
Minutes of meeting held on 2.12.46 read & approved.

Matters Arising
After discussion the date of the Plant Sale was brought forward to 14th May.

The Leilidh was a great success in every way, with the sum of £114.95 being realised. The sub-committee were thanked for all their hard work towards the evening.

Coffee Evening - To be on Thurs. 14th February 4.30pm in the Hall, Admission 15p to all except panel & guests from Gorebridge. Mr J. Kirkness to act as quizmaster. Our team Mrs M. Bathgate, Mr D. Grindlay, also Mrs Moore & ~~Mr~~ Mr W. Bathgate to be asked to participate. Mrs Christie is to make sandwiches for the panels, coffee ladies Mrs Mackay Mrs Lockie, Miss Weddell & Mrs Sheldon.

Fiddlers Night
14th April - 4.30pm in the School. All tickets to be 50p. Notice to be inserted in the East Lothian News. Sub-committee making arrangements re posters & tickets.

April 21st - This date not being suitable for Mrs Gray to give an illustrated talk. Secty to try for Thurs. 3rd March.

outing

The outing to Hallenry to be changed from 15th June to 6th July.

Xmas tree

Secty instructed to write letter of thanks to Dr. Lumsden. It was suggested that rubber sockets & 24 new bulbs be bought. An estimate to be got. Secty to approach Mr Hill to see if the Community Council would be willing to give financial aid. Also if cost is very expensive all organisations to be asked to donate.

Marquee

The E.H.D.C. marquee is already booked for our date so the estimate of £246 to be accepted from Keith of Berwick.

Murphy

Trophy - a special base has to be made and is not yet ready. Dr. Sheldon also pointed out that this would be costly.

The Duchess of Hamilton is to open the Show.

Special Prizes &

Patrons.

As there was no allocation for Mrs A. M. Hogg's prize & she was approached & her name is now on the Patrons list. Mrs & Mrs Deane accepted & still no word from Mrs Menditti.

Judges

Mr Wallace can't come this year to judge the flowers so Mr Hunter Belhaven to be asked & also bring a friend.

Vep. J. Gockburn & A. Birse

Floral Arrangements - Mrs Bostock & friend children - Mrs Anderson - Mrs Henderson
Industrial - Miss Kip & Mrs Edith Elder

Mr Grindlay to make arrangements for a Rose Display from Dobbies & this to be run as a competition at the show.

Mr Grindlay asked that a get well card be sent to Mr Barville of Suttons who has been ill.

It is hoped that everyone will do their best to sell the "Garden Quiz" Puzzle.

£150 has been received from the Quers so we now have £543 in the bank.

next Committee meeting Thursday 21st April in the Hall at 4.30pm.

Mr Mackay, secy.
J. C. M. President

21.4.44.

A Committee Meeting was held at 4.30pm in the Hall with Dr. John Sheldon, Presiding

Apologies Mrs W. Bathgate, Miss Hill-Stewart, Mrs Hamilton Mrs Lockertie & Mr Neilson.

Minutes of meeting held on 2.2.44 read & approved
Matters Plant Sale with cake & candy Saturday 14th May at 10.30am to 12 noon in the Hall.

Committee to be at the hall at 9.30am, Plants to be named & priced. It is hoped to get Brassicas in quantity to sell at a profit.

The Garden Quiz with coffee evening held on 14.2.44 - proved a success and most informative evening - a profit of £6.32p. being realised.

March 14th was the very successful "Fiddlers Night". The Sub-committee were thanked

most sincerely for another financial success after all expenses including £30 donation to the East Lothian Reel & Strathpey Society - £121 approx being added to the funds.

The Garden Quiz was yet again cancelled on 3rd March but it is hoped to have Mrs Gray & Mrs Collingwood in the Autumn or Winter.

The outing to Malvern, Balerno is fixed for Wed. 6th July leaving at 6pm. cost of bus yet to be had. There is an admission charge of 20p per head. Secty. to book tea & sandwiches at Kestrel Roadhouse Balerno after garden visit.

James Tree - Still no report from Derek Jennings re Mr Boggan is going to look into the matter of new rubber sockets & 24 bulbs.

Murphy Trophy has now been "done up" with new base & silver band & looking very nice & suitable for the Floral Arrangement class no. 3. The cost £30.

Judges. - Mr Hunter to ~~be asked to~~ bring a friend to judge the flowers

A get well card has been sent to Mr Jimmy Barville (Suttons).

The Garden Quiz made up by Mrs M. Bathgate & Mrs Armstrong raised £40 for the funds. They were both thanked for their hard work. In the funds at the moment we have £450, approx.

Other Business Posters. - It was felt that the colourful ones are much more eye-catching & the price of same to be had from Lothian Printers & Club Services, Carmiston for 100 with the main printing done - the rest to be filled in as required.

11th August 1944

Show Tickets to be 3p each with 5 per book.

Raffle Prizes requested.

Britain in Bloom It was generally felt this should be left to the community council although it was also felt that the village did not lend itself to the floral displays etc as in other villages. The Saltoun Cup has been donated to our Society by Lady Thomas-Lyttel, but will be returned if they ever start a show again. This year it is to be given to the Best Vegetable Exhibit in the show. Our own Trophys are to be brought in a month earlier this year so as to have them valued for insurance purposes.

Pencartland are having their first show (after 20 years) on Sunday 21st August & had asked if we would sponsor several classes, but this was very much downed as we have have also had financial difficulties, But we would try to promote exhibits.

Replicas. After discussion it was felt that it would be too expensive to give ^{replicas} to the trophy winners, and biscuits will again be ~~not~~ available in the Hall on Show day.

Teas.

The next meeting was arranged for Thurs, 11th August at 4.30 pm in the Hall.

Margaret A. Mackay,

Secty.
J. C. McKinn.

Apologies also absent

Minutes
Matters
Arising

Xmas Tree

Other Business

A committee meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30 pm, with Dr. John Sheldon, presiding. Mrs P. Kerr, Mrs M. Bathgate, Mrs Darbey, & D. Heibon - Messrs Grindlay & Fairgrieve.

It was intimated that the Secty. had written a letter of sympathy to Mrs Darbey on her husband, Frank's sudden death. He had been a very active member of the Society including the Vice-President for a time.

Minutes of meeting held on 21.4.44 read & approved. The Plant Sale which was held on 14th May realised the sum of £44.13p, this being well down on the previous year, but quite good considering the spring weather.

It is doubtful if rubber sockets can be got but new bulbs are a necessity. Mr Boggan to approach D Jennings to see if he can get them wholesale. The tree is to be put up as usual & if asked to pay for the electricity we will do so from the Xmas Tree Funds.

Other Business Posters - 100 were printed as required - cost about £29. - but this will do for several years. Raffle - more tickets available & prizes still requested.

We are having the "Public Address" system again this year - cost £6.

The price of teas to be 15p for adults & 10p for children. The teas to be done on a rota basis with convenors to seek outside help.

Mrs Taylor has got tartan material to be put on the platform instead of the black polythene.

Mrs Taylor to see David Grindlay about the competition - if held 5p per try.

The Electricity to be had from Mrs Muller at a cost of £4. Also the night watchman to get a rise to give him £5. A Gift Token for £3 from Dobbies to be presented to the Duchess of Hamilton with a small posy of flowers.

The following will ~~offer~~ ^{offer} their services of help - Messrs R. Hamilton, J. Watson & G. Lessells.

John Sheldon & Miss Weddell to accompany the judges to the Goblin for lunch at 1pm.

The morning ^{coffee} to be served by the ladies at 10.30. Please bring flasks of boiling water.

The Show duties allocated as follows.
Judges stewards.

Flowers - Messrs Boggan & Grindlay

Vegetables - " Heilson & Watson

Floral Arrangements - Mrs Hamilton

Industrial - Miss Weddell

Childrens - Miss McNaughtan

Prize lists - Open Section - Mrs Mackay

Amateurs " " Mrs Mowat

Industrial & Floral A. - Mrs Christie

Childrens - Mrs M. Bathgate

Doors - 1-2 pm A. Fairgrieve

2-3 pm Messrs Grindlay & Hamilton

3-4 " " Boggan & Watson

4-5 " " Heilson & Taylor

Prize Table :- Mrs Mowat & Miss Hill Stewart

Competition - Mrs Kerr & Mrs Lockerie

Teas Rota :- Mrs Hamilton & Mrs W. Bathgate

Mrs Armstrong & Mrs Sheldon

starting at 3.30 - 5.30 pm.

Salus & Raffle - All ~~the~~ Ladies.

Night Watchman - Mr R. Howden

Auctioneer - Jack Beaman

Water Drum - D. ~~Grindlay~~ Grindlay.

The next meeting Wed. 24th August at 4.30 pm in the Hall. no Post cards ~~and~~ notification.

Margaret Mackay

A. Boggan Vice-pres. Secty.

24th August 44

A committee meeting was held in the Hall at 4.30 pm with Mrs A. Boggan presiding.

Apologies Dr J. Sheldon, Mrs M. Bathgate, Mrs W. Bathgate, Mrs Armstrong, Miss Hill-Stewart, Miss Weddell, Also absent Mrs Christie, Mrs Lockerie, Messrs A. Fairgrieve & D. Grindlay.

The mins of the meeting held on 11th August read & approved.

This meeting is held to "thrash out" the Show.

Mrs Brown the treasurer gave a rough resume of the show finances.

Doors £132.80p. Sales Table £25.88p.

Raffle £92.42½ Competition £10.90

Teas £25.33 Auction 14.48.

Both the Doors & Teas being up on 1946, but also note that the prices of admission were raised for both. The overall entries were just down by 14 compared with 1946 show.

Black Polythene - this to be renewed. Secty instructed to write Lakeland Plastics for Price list. Mr Taylor also making enquiries.

Floral Supports - Mrs Hain to be asked to make another

Also the green corrugated paper to be renewed - enquiries to be made.

new notices for display in Marquee as many were ruined with the wet.

Children's section - Mrs Wilcox to be approached for new ideas etc.

Staging It was suggested that tiered staging be done at the Industrial Section, also double tables to stage the Vegetables.

The table containing the Raffle Prizes to be inside the Sales-Raffle area possibly with tiered staging.

Marquee It was also felt that ~~the~~ it was sited too near the trees, - if possible nearer the road in future.

The ~~Secy~~ Secretary was instructed to write letters of thanks to both Dr. Lumsden & Derek Jennings.

Mrs Boggan on behalf of John Skeldon thanked everyone most sincerely for making the Show a success, and being very willing hard workers, also not forgetting the help from non-committee helpers all too numerous to mention.

Xmas Tree Mrs Boggan intimated that it was in the hands of Derek Jennings to get 3 day. new bulbs, also some rubber tubing for the sockets.

Trophy Insurance Mrs Mowat instructed to find out what our existing policy covers, and also the cost of insuring the trophies.

R. C. H. S. Show Sat & Sun 10-11th Sept at Meadowsbank (Edin) Privilege tickets from Secty.

The Secretary intimated that she wished to resign at the A. G. M. - but it was felt if she carried ^{for another year} on with an assistant to completely take over after the year. Also Mrs Mowat said she would like an assistant with the view to retiring next year.

The Secty. instructed to write to the District Council to book their Marquee provisionally for 1948 Show in which to have the teas if the Hall is not available.

The date of the Annual General Meeting was fixed for Thursday 3rd November at 8pm in the Hall. The Committee to meet at 4.30pm prior to the A. G. M.

Margaret G. Mackay Secty
J. L. M. President

3.11.44.

A short committee meeting was held prior to the A. G. M.

Both Mrs Mackay Secty, & Mrs Mowat Treasurers intimated that they wished to resign. However as there were no volunteers for either "job" it was suggested that we both "trained" assistants to take over completely next year. Mrs Hamilton as Secretary & Mrs Harrison as Treasurers, provided there were no other proposals at the A. G. M.

Annual General Meeting 3.11.44.

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th November 1946 read & approved.

Apologies: Mrs Darbey, ~~Mr & Mrs~~ Miss McNaughtan, Miss Hill-Stewart & Mr Neilson.

John Sheldon, Presided over a very poor attendance.

Treasurers Report

Mrs Mowat, gave a very favourable report, this year we have £633 in the bank, this being double from 1976. It was pointed out that the last year had been a "fund raising year" and also a donation of £150 from the Gues. Dr. Sheldon thanked both Mrs Mowat and Mr MacDiarmid the auditor for their hard work. Secty to write Mr MacDiarmid.

Resignations. Both the Secretary, Mrs M. Mackay and the Treasurer Mrs Mowat intimated they wished to resign, but both would be willing to have assistants who would take over completely in 1948.

Assistant Secty, - Mrs Hamilton, proposed by Mr Boggan & seconded by Mrs Harrison
Assistant Treasurer, - Mrs Harrison proposed by Mrs Kerr seconded by Mr Taylor.

Both accepted.

As there were no ^{other} resignations the committee were all re-elected 'en bloc'.

Patrons. The Marquis & Marchioness to be asked.

1978 Show Date was fixed for Saturday 19th August.

The date of the 1978 A.G.M. to be brought forward about a month, so as to be able to give more time to get speakers etc for the winter.

Show Day
Year.

After discussion it was decided to

continue same in the Marquee, owing to the closure of the Hall. A price for a larger marquee to be asked for.

Winter Activities

Mrs Gray of Smeaton to be asked again and also ask Mr Wallace to give a talk on "How to lay out a small garden." These talks to be on the first Thursdays in February & March.

Date of the next committee meeting arranged for Thursday 14th November at 7.30pm in the G.P. Room Yester Primary School. Those present will not be post carded.

Margaret Mackay Secty.
J. C. Mullen.

14. 11. 44.

A committee meeting was held in the School at 4.30pm, with Dr. John Sheldon Presiding.

The minutes of the meetings held on 24.8.44 and 3.11.44 read & approved.

Apologies

Mrs Veitch

Also absent

Mrs W. Bathgate, Messrs W. Taylor & A. Fairgrieve.

Matters

Black Polythene - Mr Taylor to arrange.

Arising

Green Corrugated Paper - Secty instructed to write again to Oriel Displays Ltd. as they have not replied to first letter.

The District Marquee had been suggested for the teas if hall was still not available but it is too costly.

Business

from A.G.M.

Secty to query our charge for the school this being £1.50 per night & it was generally felt that we were a community organisation rather than educational.

Marquee

Leith & Berrick have not quoted a price for 1978, but stated it would be approximately 15% dearer than 1977.

Patrons.

The Marquis & Marchioness of Tweeddale to be added to the list.

Lectures

The G.P. Room ~~has~~ School, has been booked for 2nd February & 2nd March, but still awaiting word from Mrs Gray & Mr Wallace. Secty to contact Mr Clarke of Penicuik to give a slide show of 'Mountain Flowers' on either 10th or 14th January.

When the programme is finally arranged for 1978, notices are to be printed for door to door distribution.

The Sub-committee ~~are~~ to remain

the same as 1977, - namely Mr A. Boggan, Mr W. Grindley & Mrs Kerr, Mrs Hamilton & Mrs Harrison.

Other

Business

A Plant Sale has been fixed for Sat. 3rd June. Secty to write roads dept. to see if we may use a part of the Square car park if not the village green.

Xmas

Tree

No word as yet if Derek Jennings has acquired the necessary bulbs etc., but arrangements for the erection of the tree are in hand for Sat. 14th December.

outing

Mr Boggan to make preliminary arrangements for a visit to the Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh, for late May or early June.

John Sheldon suggested that as we had such a poor turn out for the A.G.M. it could maybe be ~~at~~ amalgamated with a coffee evening.

1978 Show.

The Marquis of Tweeddale to be asked to open the show.

Advertising The price to be raised from £2 to £2.50p for $\frac{1}{2}$ page and £3 to £4 for whole page, also Mrs Morak to see if it is worthwhile to add an extra whole page for adverts. headverts on back cover.

Special Prizes as before but the word firms to be omitted.

Trade Stand:- Mrs Hamilton to approach Lawson Thomson (Boggs) to see if he is interested. Also still have the flower comp. with slightly less plants or vases.

It is our turn for the R.C.H.S. District class, this to be, 2 x 10 in. Vase Flowers cut

Judges. from the Open Border. 2 distinct kinds.
Flowers - Mr Wallace & friend.
Vegetables - Mr Paterson & "
Floral Arr. - Miss Main & "
Childrens - Mr Anderson
Industrial - Miss McNaughtan to arrange.
Mr Willox to be approached for
help in arranging the Childrens Section.
The committee then split up to make
up the schedule for 1978.

Margaret Mackay. Secty.

J. L. McMillan. President.

14. 2. 48.

A committee meeting was held in the
Breakfast Room of the Goblin Ha' Hotel at
4.30pm with John Sheldon, presiding

The minutes of the meeting held on 14.11.44
read & approved.

Apologies also absent Mrs M. Bathgate, Mrs J. Lockerbie,
D. Grindlay & A. Fairgrieve.

Matters arising Green corrugated Paper - Secty instructed to
order same from South East Oriel Display
Edinburgh, namely 60 ft x 4 ft 4 in to be cut
into 3 rolls of approximately 180 ft x 26 in.
at an approx cost of £11. Miss Hill-Stewart
to store.

School charges - we are not recognised as
a charity so therefore have to pay more
this being £3 for the G.P. room which is
classed as a hall.