

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 15th March 1973 at 7-30 pm in the Village Hall.

Apologies received from Mrs. Snowat and Mr. Grundlay.

Present all other members of Committee with Admiral Sir Peter Reed in the Chair.

Mins. of Meeting held on 7th December 1972 were read and approved.

Matters arising from minutes. Winter Activities The Secretary intimated that due to a change in policy by the Department of Agriculture he had been unable to obtain the services of Mr. J. G. Wallace to give a talk to the Society on 1st Feb. '73. Mr. G. O. Petersen, Past President of the R.C.H.S. was contacted but declined due to a previous engagement. He did, however, express his willingness to give a talk on a future occasion.

Sir Peter commented on the financial success of the Spring Bulb & Floral Art Show and congratulated the lucky members who had raised the excellent sum of £34.

An evening outing to the Royal Botanic Garden had been arranged for 30th May.

Show Judges - Mr. Ben Bennett was unable to judge at the Annual Show due to holidays. Mr. Alex Buxi had agreed to fill the vacancy.

Show opened Sir Peter announced that Lady Montgomery had agreed to open the show.

The Schedule Prof. was presented and approved.

Resignations Sir Peter intimated that the Treasurer, Secretary and Show Secretary had announced their

intentions to resign after the 1973 Show. The matter was discussed and it was agreed that Mrs. Kenneth Armstrong should approach Mrs. Snowat with a view to her taking over as Treasurer and that the nominations of Mrs. R. Muckay and Mrs. J. I. Stewart as Secretary and Show Secretary respectively be put to the R. G. M.

Date of next meeting

was left to the Secretary to arrange.

J. G. W.

Kenneth Armstrong
15/3/72

Minutes of Committee meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 2nd August 1973 at 7-30pm.

Apologies were received from Prof. & Mrs W.S. Craig, Mr D. Spindley, Mr & Mrs C.W. Houston and Mr & Mrs D. Neilson.

Present All other members of the Committee under the chairmanship of Admiral Sir Peter Reed.

Minutes of the meeting held on 15th March 1973 were read and approved.

Treasurer Sir Peter intimated that Mrs. Howat had agreed to take on the post of Treasurer.

Donation the Secretary intimated that a donation had been received from Mr. Len B. Glass and he was instructed to make a suitable acknowledgment.

Garden Competition the Secretary stated that only one entry had been received and after considerable discussion it was felt that the prize should be awarded to the entrant and that Mr Darkey and Mrs Stewart should visit the garden on the Saturday morning the judging should have taken place.

Show Opener Sir Peter confirmed that Lady Montgomery had agreed to open the show.

Allocation of Show Duties Mrs Darkey volunteered to organise the teas in the hall.
The following Committee members would be

in attendance with the Judges.

Flowers: Mr. Darkey & Mrs Stewart

Vegetables: Prof. Craig & Mr. Neilson

Industrial: Mrs. Weddell & Mrs. McNaughton

Floral Art: Mrs. Mackay.

Children: Mrs. Neilson

Doorkeepers 1-2pm Mr. Hogg
2-3pm Mr. Darkey & Mr. Spindley.
3-4pm Mr. Jennings & Mr. Gargrave
4-5pm Prof. Craig & Mr. Neilson
5-6pm Mr. Harrison & Mrs Stewart

Sales Table & Raffle Mrs. Neilson, Mrs. McNaughton, Mrs. Weddell, Mrs. Mackay, Mrs. Stewart & Mrs. Balfgate.

Prize Table Mrs. Armstrong & Mrs. Howat.

Flower Judging Lemps. Mrs. Harrison

Auctioneer Mrs. Mackay.

Junior Donation

Mrs Armstrong announced that a donation of £25. had been received from the Juvass.

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2/8/73

Minutes of Committee Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 20th September 1973 at 7-30pm

Apologies were received from Mrs Darby, Mrs Battgate, Mr. Harrison, Mr & Mrs Hewston, Mrs Mackay, Mrs Keelson and Mrs Weddell.

Present Mrs. Armstrong, Prof. & Mrs. Craig, Mr. Darby, Mr. Jennings, Mrs McNaughton, Mrs. Mowat, Mr Keelson & Mrs Stewart under the chairmanship of Admiral Sir Peter Reed.

Minutes of Meeting held on 2nd August 1973 were read and approved

1973 Show Sir Peter congratulated all the members on the running of the Show which he felt had been very successful.

Marquee Secretary announced that the account for the hire had been received and was in accordance with the quotation. After discussion it was agreed that nothing could be gained by complaining about the unsatisfactory erection and dismantling arrangements this year.

R.C.H.S. Medal Bands had still not been received and Secretary was instructed to write again to RCHS.

Garden Competition A proposal by Mr. Darby that the competition be suspended for one year was seconded by Mrs Stewart and adopted by the meeting

Future Shows.

A letter was read from Mrs. Mackay suggesting that:-

1. A microphone be provided on stage in future
2. Labour be hired to set up show.
3. More support be given to the Sales Table.

Sir Peter suggested that members should consider items in schedule which are not producing reasonable entries and propose alternatives at the appropriate time.

Storage of Equipment.

A letter from Mr. Harrison was read ~~and~~ intimating that he would be unable to continue on the Committee and he had some equipment in his home which would require to be removed as soon as possible.

Mr. Jennings volunteered to collect and store the items at Yorktains.

Plant a Tree in '73

Mrs. Craig proposed that the Society plant a tree in the Village. Sir Peter pointed out that the District Council proposed to carry out fairly extensive planting in the churchyard and Bleackfield.

N. G. M.

date was fixed for 4-30 pm in the Village Hall on 1st November, 1973.

Xmas Tree Lights

Mr. Jennings announced that he would like to purchase another type of light and this was agreed although it was hoped that he would be able to see the existing set.

Darby
6/12/73.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held in the Village Hall on Thursday 1st November 1973 at 7.30pm

Present A rather poor turn out of members with Vice-President Mr Frank Darkey in the chair

Death of President Mr Darkey made reference to the sudden death of Admiral Sir Peter Reid on 26th September who had been President since 1966. The Society and indeed the community as a whole would miss his considerable ability and enthusiasm which would be difficult to replace.

Apologies received from Mrs W. Bathgate, Prof and Mrs Leary, Mrs Darkey, Mr & Mrs Houston and Mrs Weddell.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2nd Nov. 1972 were read and approved.

Financial Report. Mrs. Armstrong gave a detailed report of the Society's financial position which proved to be a very satisfactory one. The balance in hand at the end of the year was £144.19 compared to £134.34 the previous year. The Christmas Tree Fund stood at £30.64. Mr. Nelson suggested that the Xmas Tree Fund should be kept separate from the Society account and this was agreed.

The Chairman thanked Mrs Armstrong for presenting such a concise picture of the finances which was a healthy one, and went on to express his appreciation to all the members and others who ~~had~~ helped to make the Show a success.

Resignations

The following resignations were intimated:-

Mrs. Armstrong Treasurer

Mr. Hannan Show Secretary

Mr. Hogg Secretary

Prof. and Mrs W.S. Leary - Committee

The Chairman thanked all five for services rendered and made special mention of Mrs Armstrong who had served as Secretary and Treasurer since 1951.

Election of Office Bearers

Mr. Darkey was proposed as President but declined. Mr. D. Nelson was then proposed by Mr Jennings seconded by Mrs Mackay

Mr Nelson took the chair and thanked the members for the honour bestowed upon him. He stated that he had been connected with the Society for many years and was delighted to ~~find~~ it had gone from strength to strength.

The following appointments were approved:-

Secretary Mrs. M. Mackay

Treasurer Mrs. W. J. Mahat

Show Secy. Mrs. G. J. Stewart

Committee. Mrs Armstrong, Mrs M. Bathgate, Mrs Kay, Mrs Bell-Stewart & Mr J. Hardie

Mr. Darkey suggested that all members make an effort to recruit new members particularly young men.

Date of 1974 Show was fixed for Saturday 24th August. ~~1974~~

Winter Activities

The undernated dates were suggested and left to the Secretary to arrange:-

4th February 1974 - Garden Forum

4th March 1974 - Floral Art & Bulb Show, Bury
& Bury and Coffee Evening.

Mr. W. Bathgate to be requested to give a
demonstration of Floral Arranging.

4th April 1974 - Talk on Rock Gardens
Plants & bulb Flower competition.

29th May 1974 - Evening Outing to National
Trust Property at Sun Trap

Committee
meeting

was arranged for Dec December 1973 at 7.30pm

Quinty 1974
Raymond Wilson
President.

Thursday 6th December 1973

A committee meeting was held in the Hall
at 7.30pm, Vice-President Mr F. Darbey
presided until the President Mr D. Harrison arrived
from Mr. Bathgate, Miss E. McLaughlan, Mrs & Mrs
Donster, also absent Messrs D. Grindley & J. Watson.

Apologues

Minutes of the meeting held on 20th September read & approved.

Matters

Crising.

R.C.H.S. no word as yet re medal cards.

Secty to write again.

Mr Jennings reminded to collect show
equipment from Mr Harrison to store with the rest
of it.

There will be no Xmas Tree this year
owing to Power crisis.

Other Business

Complete Committee read out.

Invitation from Dunbar Floral Art
Society declined.

Marquee

Secty to write Berwick of Leith for same
as 1973 show (130' x 30' and 100 tables.)

Winter Prog.

February 4th 7.30pm in the Hall,

Garden Forum (Mr Jennings making arrangements)
Speakers to get Refreshment at Goblin as they
do not take expenses. (eg. Coffee & Sandwiches)

March 4th 4pm in the Hall Coffee
Evening with Floral Art by Mr W. Bathgate;
Floral Art Competitions for both school
children & Adults, also Bowls of Bulbs
comp. for both school children & Adults.
Prizes to be decided on that night, with Mr
Bathgate to judge Floral Art and Mr Stewart
& Mrs Moore to judge Bulbs. There will also
be a Sales Table and Raffle

April 4th 7.30pm in the Hall - Rock
Garden talk by Mr Aitken, with competition
for a "Spring Poem".

Show Judges. Vegetable - Mrs Paterson - friend.
Flowers - Mrs Raeburn - friend.
Floral Art - See Mrs Bathgate for names.
Childrens - Mrs Anderson - another
Industrial - Miss McNaughton to arrange.

Patrons. Mrs Paul wishes to withdraw. Secty to contact following with a view to being Patrons. Prof. & Mrs Craig; Mr & Mrs D. Reid, Mr & Mrs Breswick, and Mrs Menotti.

Advertising Lady Kinloch & Garage to be approached with a view to advertising in Schedule, also ask all the others if willing to continue, at same price as last year £3 for Full Page £2 for ½ page.

Show Openers. Mrs David Reid, Mombland to be asked, if declines, Mrs Baillie, Manderson, Duns. Mrs D. Neilson was proposed and declined.

base. Secty asked for case to store minute books etc. in, and was given permission to buy ~~some~~ one suitable.

notices. Miss Hill-Stewart to print notices for winter meetings.

Show. Finally the Schedule was made up for the 1974 Show.

Margaret A. Mackay.
Secretary.

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Vice Chairman