

Notes Taken At Carnival Planning Meeting

2nd June 2017

(Once again, thanks to Sam for use of room)

Present : Noel/Gay Headly, Jos/Chris Griffiths, Gill Sankey, Jane/Steve Clerk, Tim/June Healy, John/Joan Almond, Gaz Jones, Bob Barton, Charlotte Jaggard, John Foxley, Anne Woodward, Sheila Hawkes.

Apologies: Yvonne McCorry, Elaine O’Gara, Wendy Drendle, Gilly/Paddy Carney, Cllr Martyn Holland, Wendy Shillitto, Sean Thomas and Shiv Gothorp.

Sheila welcomed everyone to the informal meeting and believed the strong entry in the News and Views coupled with letters sent to individual groups, was the reason for such a good turn-out. It was emphasised that although groups were encouraged to participate in the Carnival, it is by no means essential and quite acceptable were they to chose not to.

The first fund raising effort – The Fun Family Bingo Night – was a huge success making an amazing £788 + !! Huge thanks go to all those concerned in any way at all. One outstanding item to be finalised is the cutting and delivering

of the logs kindly donated by the Playing Fields , bid for and won by Dawn Skelhorn. Sheila will contact and see what Dawns wishes are.

Noel informed us the total of funds raised to date stands at £1136.92 and once again explained the reason for the sub account connected to the Village Hall accounts.

Fund raising application :

Apologies received from Sean Thomas who has been unable to make any headway with applying for funding due to heavy work commitments. Hopefully matters can be looked into these next few weeks. Since the last Carnival meeting, the Village Hall committee have agreed to go ahead and upgrade the kitchen area – tenders are out. Obviously this self- effort will greatly aid any application for funding with the big boys.

Our next fund raising event will be a Race Night to be held on Friday 15th September 2017 at the Druid Inn. This will be discussed in detail at a later meeting.

Stalls and Attractions: Sheila outlined how she envisaged Carnival Day to be – by no means set in stone and ideas/suggestions welcome.

The Village Hall would provide vintage Teas with table entertainment {magician} and perhaps some entertainment on stage or floor. The marquee on the tarmac area will house quality stalls selling goods with the more boisterous attractions on the school field eg. May Pole, Coconut Shy, Swing Boats, Kids Races etc. The rear car park can house the Beer Tent, Hog Roast, Ice Cream Van etc. Tresgawen field perhaps Donkey rides, The Owl Man etc. and the Playing Fields to house a huge bouncy castle(or the like) and other attractions.(Children can access all areas without going on the road.) The whole thing to be kicked off with a parade from the Druid led by Brass Band followed by “To Be” crowned queen, Flower Buds and a Dress Your {non-motorised} Wheels Fancy Dress. What happens when they reach the hall..... I have no idea as yet!!

A promising response to the letter sent to clubs/groups etc requesting they state interest has been received.

L.O.P.W.E.C. have pledged to provide Vintage Teas in the Hall. Also Yvonne will sell vintage Jam Jars!!

Young Farmers will undertake a Tug o War competition – possibly an inter village event.

Church will hold a cake stall/home produce stall incorporating crafts made by Messy Church

School have been asked if the children can make flags/bunting to decorate the grounds – they could sign them then bring family on the day to find them.

Badminton Club will definitely have a stall/attraction but to be confirmed. June asked if Junior Badminton players could walk with parade with a banner - great idea!

P.T.F.A. – Charlotte offered a sweet stall and possibly organise Beer Tent. Sheila wishes to speak with Sam (pub landlady} to ascertain level of involvement on the field on the day. Tim Healy offered to “man” the beer tent should Sam wish to set-up but unable to staff. Charlotte offered a Penalty shoot- out competition.

The Gardening Club have pledged - should they still be in existence (I have no doubt!!) – a plant and flower stall.

Betty Cook – on behalf of Over 60’s – will provide perhaps a bottle stall with the Art group also intending to do something.

L.V.H.C. are looking into the provision of commemorative mugs.

Gill Sankey will donate an intricately knitted Rag Doll for perhaps a Christmas Raffle.

All in all a very positive outcome – thanks to each and everyone.

A.O.B. gave rise to a lively informative discussion.

Bob Barton suggested the Community Council be approached on a couple of issues

- a. To enquire whether V.A.T. can be claimed**
- b. Insurance cover. Sheila has enquired with N.F.U. to obtain Event Insurance – no problem with the cost likely to be £200 - £300 for the three days. However Bob insists insurance cover is already in place. John Almond, chair of Council, had strong doubts and needs to be looked into. It is hoped Sheila and Noel will attend next C.C. Meeting . But Sheila strongly feels, despite it costing money perhaps unnecessarily, separate Event insurance is the way to go as does not jeopardise future insurance policies should a claim be (hopefully not!!) necessary.**

Discussion moved to how to nominate a Carnival Queen. Sheila has a leaning for an older prominent person – suggested two named older persons be asked. (not named here to avoid embarrassment) but if not

interested then notice in next NandVs asking for nominations from any age, size or gender to be considered. Results will be reviewed and decision made.

We also require a “celebrity” or local person of standing to open the event. Also to be put in NandVs.

Bob Barton believes he has access to various equipment e.g. May Pole, Stocks. Again, borrow rather than hire to save money.

It was pointed out by John Foxely a temporary event notice will need to be served and police informed. There will be lots of technical and legal protocol that will need to be adhered to – I trust I will be guided as and when necessary.

Sheila reminded everyone the aim is to hold a fun celebration day for all, creating community memories – in particular for children, giving free entry for all and some free rides. (Ironically, the only person present with young children was Charlotte – just thought I’d make a point!!)

The date of next meeting will be FRIDAY 21ST JULY in Druid Inn at 7.30pm. Primarily the meeting will be to set the ball rolling for the forthcoming Race Night event.

Sheila thanked everyone for their support - meeting closed 8.30pm.