

## Minutes of Methven Parks Committee – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2011

### Present

Brian Donaldson	Joanne Donaldson	Yvonne Mitchell	Maureen Patton
Ian Blance	Shaw Murrie	Alan Lewis	David Smythe
Jim Morrison	Rory Macgregor	Andy Dunlop	Debbie Frame
Neill Blance	Sandra Baldock	Shirley Wilson	

### Apologies

Nikki Macgregor	Tom Latto	Gina Boyle	Dave Bennett
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The meeting was opened by Chairman Brian Donaldson and very sincere thanks were given for those in attendance.

<b>2. Previous Minutes</b>	<i>Previous minutes of were proposed by Alan Lewis and seconded by Ian Blance</i>	
<b>3. Book – History of Methven</b>	<p>Further discussed the proposal for the History of Methven booklet. JM informed us that it was also put forward to Goth Committee to get published and have received a letter back from Wylie &amp; Henderson granting £600.00 towards getting it printed.</p> <p>JM informed that Farquhar's the printers could print 500 copies for £980 and 300 for approx £800 and asked if we could contribute the shortfall. They would take 1 week to get printed.</p> <p>It was agreed we would and that they need to be ready for the gala</p> <p>It was proposed by AL and seconded by IB.</p> <p>If there was anyone else contributing funds the preface would need to be changed.</p> <p>It is ready to go onto CD and RM will arrange this.</p>	
<b>4. Matters arising from previous minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cubs walked round and looked at where to plant trees.</li> <li>• Still waiting from update re prison boys doing work. Nothing been arranged as such yet.</li> <li>• Alan Lewis attended the P&amp;K drink awareness at the library and informed us that the local licensing &amp; police are cracking down and looking for more information. As we are getting Brian to do bar we anticipate there will not be a problem for the gala.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Den/playing fields</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New seat kindly donated by Jimmy Stewart Family has been put at top of Den by Shaw and Ian.</li> <li>• Another Bench has been donated, which is a big round one and it has been proposed to either go in the den or in front of the pavilion where hatch is or on the glebe. There are also 3 benches and 2 planters. RM suggested that we get these put in place as soon as possible. It was suggested that one planter be put by the memorial and approach Duncan to see if he will donate plants for them. From this discussion it has been arranged that NB, IB, AL,BD, SM and RM meet in the park on 14<sup>th</sup> May at 9am to put these in place</li> <li>• RM informed that there is also another poo bin at top of glebe and hopefully get another. The one on the glebe is on the road that they normally empty so they will empty and as long as the other</li> </ul>	

	<p>one is put on the path side it will also.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IB has extended the area of strimming of the bracken as it seems to be working.</li> <li>• It was asked of David Smyth to have use of his tractor &amp; trailer to move the trees in the burn and try to dump them somewhere. IT was stressed if don't pull trees out its going to block up and cause problems. ½ dozen loads should do it and volunteers will be needed.</li> <li>• Also it was noted that the curve up from the bottom bridge the stones need to be redone as there are quite a few gaps. Again volunteers required.</li> <li>• The car park should be done before Gala per Paul summers.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6. Gala</b></p>	<p>JD gave us an update on the Gala organising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have got 5 applications back in so far. She knows more definitely to take stalls and hopefully will get these in next couple of weeks. She stressed anyone still to submit booking form to do so a.s.a.p.</li> <li>• So far have Under 5s, minis, rural, Lawsons cars in ring, raptor world display, vintage tractors in ring, bouncy castle, jewellery stall, Partylite candle stall, face painting, pony rides, Bucking bronco</li> <li>• DF going to speak with Stewart towers ice cream to chase him to confirm attendance</li> <li>• Still to confirm pipe band</li> <li>• Cubs &amp; Scouts want to take over ring from 3.30pm to do games i.e. space hoppers.</li> <li>• Still struggling with PA System</li> <li>• Mountain Biker race – IB to run and possibly get voucher from Halfords</li> <li>• Kids competitions – Design a poster to help promote picking up and binning of dog mess, Make an animal out of vegetables, Design and make a garden on a biscuit tin, decorate an egg.</li> <li>• Age groups will be 4-7, 8-12 and 13+</li> <li>• Then there will be an open competition which is to be -submit a drawing/painting or photo of methven and winning picture to be made into Christmas cards.</li> <li>• These competitions will be held in the main tent and must be entered by 12.30pm to allow them to be judged</li> <li>• Rosettes and a card will be issued as prizes</li> <li>• NM to order Burgers and Rolls</li> <li>• Toilets through council – RM to organise</li> <li>• DS okayed putting big signs up at either side in his fields</li> <li>• DF &amp; YM agreed to paint Methven Gala and date on end of pavilion</li> <li>• JD to print A4 posters and arrange for them to be distributed</li> <li>• It was agreed that entry would stay at a £1 but parking would go up to a £1 also</li> <li>• Competition flyers to be distributed to children at school this week</li> <li>• 1<sup>st</sup> June the cubs are doing their bottle drop so will drop of flyers at same time for us</li> <li>• Advertising – SB to contact PA and Courier, YM to contact Tayfm and Radio Tay re coverage., RM to cover other advertising</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Music – 4 hours of music to arrange – Rm to speak with neighbours? And IB will do some</li> <li>• Kate Falconer has agreed to take the entries for the kids competitions</li> <li>• Bouncy castle – Shaw has tracked it down – DB has put in storage as could not get in contact with person at time. Once we have used it they require it back by Monday after gala.</li> <li>• Food in evening BD does not want committee to do food and spoke with Chatnays who would do a stall during the day but not in evening.</li> <li>• Asked Brian if he had any thoughts on food in evening and he will get back to us. It was suggested in meeting pies, but would have to source something to heat them in.</li> </ul>	
<b>7. AOB</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gary McGuire to be contacted to sort some electrical work required</li> <li>• Floor Hire – 1<sup>st</sup> of June to be laid at latest for wedding on 4<sup>th</sup> July. 40 sheets required they will collect it. All involved to meet at Goth car park at 6.30pm. It was agreed to charge £150.00</li> <li>• Feasibility study – all forms have been submitted but have not heard anything yet. BD will speak with Hamish to see if he has had any feedback</li> <li>• Blocked drain in pavilion around 26<sup>th</sup> March. The insurance company would not speak to anyone apart from AL and he was on holiday, so they decided that they had no choice but to go ahead and fix it. It was put to AL as to whether it is worth pursuing through the insurance. AL asked to see the policy to decide if it would and RM said he would speak with NM about getting this to him. IT to IB 3 full days plumbing time and fittings</li> </ul>	
<b>8. Next Meeting</b>	<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2011 in Bell Tree @ 7.30pm</b>	