

Minutes of Methven Parks Committee – 23rd August 2011

Joanne Donaldson	Yvonne Mitchell	Nikki Macgregor	Rory Macgregor
Ian Blance	Shaw Murrie	Alan Lewis	Sandra Baldock
Alan Elder	Rob Chisholm	John Whyte	Hamish Young
Tom Latto			

Apologies

Brian Donaldson	Debbie Frame	Neill Blance	Andy Dunlop
Maureen Patton	Dave Bennett	Morag Latto	Nikki Drew
Shirley Kean	David Smythe		

The meeting was opened by Vice Chair Rory Macgregor (in absence of Brian Donaldson) and very sincere thanks were given for those in attendance.

2. Previous Minutes	<i>Previous minutes of were proposed by Ian Blance and seconded by Rory Macgregor</i>	
3. Duck Race	<p>Due to the weather the duck race has been moved to Sunday 28th August at 12.30pm. Joanne has put up new posters. Will have Ice cream, BBQ, Hook a Duck, Bouncy castle, Face painting, Pony rides, and hopefully a cake and candy stall so anyone who can bring home baking for the stall would be much appreciated</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setup – 10am • Ian Blance will provide the generator needed. • RM informed us that Dave Bennett cannot make it and wont be able to do the selling of the ducks, Alan Elder has agreed to take on this role. • JD will put flyers to the school to be handed out to the children. • It was noted that better signage was needed to direct people to the Den. RM has agreed to get this in place. • NM highlighted that everything will be chargeable, as trying to make as much funds as possible. • RM to arrange a time to go to Meckpen. 	
4 Beer Festival	<p>RM gave us an update on the Beer festival which will be on 19th November 2011.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He informed us that sponsorship is needed – have 8 private ones so far and 4 commercial at £85 a keg. Any one who knows of anyone that might be interested let RM know. • Brian MacDonald (Bell Tree) will be sponsoring the Glasses • NM going to speak with the new owners at The Methven Arms to see if they will sponsor the bands. • We are keen to do an open mic session – Ian going to lead this one. • RM stressed that we need more bodies this year to give a hand 	

5. Xmas Lights	<p>The date for the Christmas lights & carol singing was confirmed by Hamish Young as being 16th December 2011, with a 6.30pm start and lights to be put on at 7.30 pm approx. Hamish has informed the Scouts Association of the date and it is hoped that they will be able to attend this year.</p> <p>It was agreed that the tree would be put up on Sunday 11th December 2011</p>	
6. Sports Field & Den	<p>There was a request last meeting that a top bar be put on the main gate with Methven Parks on it. For following reasons</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To stop bigger (commercial) vehicles • To pretty it up <p>Shaw was asked if he could do something, he has agreed to look at a design.</p> <p>Electricity meter readings, it has been decided that when NM receives a bill she will get IB to take a reading which can then create regular bills to users.</p> <p>Main Car parking issues – There has been a transit van and private car parking regularly without permission. Proposal to put a polite letter to request a donation or ask they stop using it as their private car park. Agreed as a first step.</p> <p>Ian Blance has asked for help to trim the den before the duck race, It was agreed Friday morning at 9am anyone that can help let IB know</p> <p>Picnic Bench into the Glebe – RM needs people to help put the bench together - suggested assemble Wednesday – IB/SM</p>	
7. Hall Committee	<p>Rory, Brian and John went to the Hall AGM meeting last week, they do not have many people in Working committee and it was agreed at their meeting to ask MPC if an Extra Ordinary meeting could be organised to discuss the possibility of forming a single committee to run both Charities as they are. No one at meeting had any objections; several members asked questions regarding how it would work and who would own the committee. RM confirmed the Village.</p> <p>It was proposed and agreed that the Meeting would take place in the Church Hall on Monday 5th September at 7.30pm. YM to put out a separate email to notify of meeting</p>	
8. AOB	<p><u>School BBQ</u> - In Brian's absence Joanne gave us an update on the School BBQ.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It will be on 30th September and they hope 600 to 1000 attending the event and are asking that we cater for 500 people (BBQ and Ice Cream – TBC). • The fireworks will be in park from 7 to 8pm • They have asked if they could have a mini fun fair in the park and this was discussed and agreed to get more information on what this will be but don't see it being a problem as long as it will not damage the park. 	