

Spring Grove Fringe
Annual General Meeting

16 October 2013

MINUTES

Present: Nigel Bellwood, Bethany Birley, Gavin Chaplin, Roger Chown, Helen Dawson, Nigel Duffin, Sandy Gavshon, Keith Glenny, Daisy Jones, Ross Jones, Sandie Khan, Scott Milligan, Jo Need, Dick Need, Jenny Robson, Jacqui Rollason, Jonathan Rollason, Amanda Shaw, Laurie South, Tony Tresigne.

Apologies: Veronica Birley, Gavin Dawson John Hackett, Allan Lloyd, Karina Ramnarain, Sarah Richardson, Adrian Treloar

Chairman's Report: Jonathan Rollason, welcomed members and gave a report on the last year's activities. Most noteworthy was the group obtaining charitable status and JR passed his thanks on to Nigel Duffin and Tony Tresigne who had worked to achieve this. Jonathan listed the productions during the last year and the donations made from the profits thereon. He noted also that the rental on the Hall had increased greatly but so had usage by other groups.

Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed; Jacqui Rollason proposed that they should be accepted and the meeting approved the proposal.

Trustees' Report: The Trustees presented their report for the year 2012/2013 to the meeting. The report had previously been circulated by email. Jonathan thanked Nigel for his work on preparing this.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy Gavshon noted that hall costs had increased to £1500 per annum for the regular Wednesday night booking plus £30 a session for weekend rehearsals. The cost of production weekends was £150 from Friday at 1600 to Sunday at 1200. The group had engaged in capital expenditure amounting to just over £2,000 on stage curtains and lighting improvements. The Bar Profit was **£1,100??** Jonathan proposed a vote of thanks to Sandy for preparing the accounts.

Election of Officers: Jonathan said that anyone was entitled to stand as a Trustee or Committee Member. Nomination forms had been received for all the present Trustees and Committee Members. It was proposed that the committee was re-elected and this was passed unanimously. Jonathan thanked the committee for all its hard work.

Forthcoming Productions:

November	2 One Act Plays	Tony Tresigne and Jenny Robson
February	Toad of Toad Hall	Tony Tresigne and Roger Chown
May	tbc	
October	The Fairy Tree	Chris Brookes and Imelda Topping

Any other business:

The catering staff were thanked.

Allan & Meryl Lloyd will stop running the bar at the end of 2013. Mike Charlton to be asked if he will take it on. Allan & Meryl thanked for all their hard work.

Daisy Jones thanked everyone who had done such a great job in the Musicals. She said the SGF was a uniquely friendly place where everyone was made to feel welcome.

Bethany Birley suggested regular play readings in the down time between shows.

Amanda Shaw suggested a £5.00 membership for juniors – to be called Associate Members. Directors were to be encouraged to cast where possible and appropriate.

Jo Need suggested that the group paid for membership of the Scrap Store as in previous years as it was an extremely valuable resource.

Sandy Gavshon reminded everyone that subscriptions and Gift Aid Forms were due now

Helen Dawson requested that the stage floor be sanded and sealed and that the step cover be replaced as it was now dangerous.

Jenny Robson requested that the curtains that had been taken down during the repainting of the hall be restored.

Ross Jones queried the policy on charitable donations and asked for greater clarity. Keith Glenny proposed that the meeting authorized the Trustees to nominate charities. This was agreed. Bethany suggested Comic Relief but it was felt more appropriate to support local charities. Members were encouraged to put forward suggestions of charities they would like the Group to support.

Date of next Meeting: 15th October 2014

The Meeting closed at 20.40