

SPRING GROVE FRINGE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ZOOM
28 OCTOBER 2020

- Present:** Sandy Gavshon (Chair); Jayne Britten (Treasurer); Amanda Shaw (Secretary); Nigel Bellwood; Bethany Birley; Val Boyle; Gavin Chaplin; Nigel Duffin; Sandie and Keith Glenny; David Hamilton; Jo Need; Linda Rhead; Jenny Robson; Jacqui and Jonathan Rollason; Laurie South.
- Apologies:** Veronica Birley; Roger Chown; Ross Jones
- Welcome:** Sandy welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained procedural matters. She outlined what a difficult year it had been because of Covid restrictions and said how sorry she was that we could not be meeting in the Hall.
- Minutes of the Last Meeting:** The acceptance of the Minutes was proposed by Jonathan Rollason and seconded by Bethany Birley and carried nem con.
- Matters Arising:** There had been a very successful production of Matchbox Theatre in October 2019 which was very profitable. The Panto – Jack and the Beanstalk – had been held as usual in early February 2020 and was also a success. Sandy thanked Lynn Charlton and Amanda.
- Bar:** Jayne Britten has taken over stock control and bar finances and all is going well.
- The SGF has rented a new garage for storage which is dry, secure and has easy access. The landlord has been extremely kind in accepting reduced rent during the past year. Sandy thanked Jenny and Helen for managing the move and maintenance of SGF possessions in the garage.
- Treasurer's Report:** Jayne said that it was her first report as Treasurer and it had been a bizarre first year. The finances of the company were in a good position as everyone could see from the accounts which had been circulated. 2019 – 2020 had three financially successful productions with income of £5,000 from ticket sales and production costs of £3,000, leaving a profit of £2,000. The bar had generated £1500 and subscriptions £910. Gift Aid received will come into the 2020 – 2021 accounts.
- There had been a 50% reduction on the core Hall expenditure since March and on the garage rental.
- The SGF had made three donations of £500 to Enhanceable, Moving On Together and Alzheimer's Research.
- There was a small loss of £201 for the year. At the year end there was just over £2000 at the bank & in cash, this now stands at over £3,000 as membership subscriptions and gift aid claim have been received.

The Parish Hall Committee has offered not to charge the SGF for Hall rental until the New Year when the situation will be discussed again. Sandy explained that the Hall was used by many groups and the SGF Committee was concerned that the group might lose the regular Wednesday night booking if it was not being paid for.

Jayne said that the SGF would be financially sound for 2020 – 2021.

Sandy thanked Jayne for taking control of the accounts in such a helpful manner. Jonathan Rollason has audited the accounts and found them acceptable.

Jayne requested that all members as appropriate sent back completed Gift Aid forms.

Trustees' Report: Nigel Duffin explained the reasons for producing a Trustees' Report and outlined the contents therein. He reported that it had been accepted by the SGF Committee on 14/11/2020.

Election of Officers; Suzanne Jones had resigned because of time commitments. The remaining members had been proposed by Adrian Treloar and seconded by Scott Milligan. They had indicated their willingness to stand again and were elected nem con. Amanda Shaw reported that she had received no further nominations.

Covid 19: Sandy reported that the SGF had kept going through lockdown and the summer months by means of on-line play readings and thanked all those who had helped in the arranging of these. Because of current Covid restrictions it is not possible to use the Hall. Nigel and Amanda had assessed the Hall and concluded that an audience of 40 – 50 was possible if properly socially distanced. Nigel and Jayne have produced a set of procedures to be followed should circumstances permit a live show.

Forthcoming Productions: A pantomime was not possible but a production of Outside Edge, directed by Janice was scheduled for May.

There was discussion about producing an on-line show – possibly on YouTube. Sandy and Nigel outlined their ideas and Bill Price and Peter Case were suggested as possible technical advisors.

Any Other Business: Sandy thanked the Committee for their hard work and endeavours.

The Meeting ended at 2045.