

SUMMER SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING ANNUAL MEETING
27TH AUGUST 2024
FAIRMILEHEAD PARISH CHURCH HALL,
FROGSTON ROAD, EDINBURGH

Minutes of Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday
27th August 2024

Present: Margaret Burns, Chair: Ishbel Clark, Treasurer: Yvonne Munro, Secretary: Rae Ballantyne, Committee Member: Apologies received from Connie Brenner – All Committee Members.

- **Welcome** The Chair (MB) welcomed 33 dancers and apologies were received, please see list below. A list of attendees is available

- **Apologies** were received from Margaret Harris, Rosemary Wylie, Connie Bremner, Atsuko Clement. Alison Nuttall, John Nuttall, Claire Easton, Donald Todd

- **Minutes Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 29th August 2023**, The Minutes were read and approved by Malcolm Oswald and seconded by Sarah Muirhead.

- **Chairperson's Report**

MB delivered her Report and copies are available on request. John Nuttall has set up the website and MB would like Thanks to be recorded on record for John and Michael McGarvey for their input in setting up the website.

- **Treasurer's Report**

IC delivered her Report and a copy was distributed to everyone who attended the meeting. There was discussion about the amount of Reserves the Club has and what would be the best use of what to do with the funds. IC explained that we hope to stay at Fairmilehead Church as we get the hall for a very good price. It was also noted that we have a live band on the last night of this Summer Term, as we have the funds to pay for this. YM normally brings her own music free of charge. Carola Stewart Proposed this motion and Moira Calderwood Seconded this.

- **Programmes 2024**

Discussion took place about who provided the programmes for the Summer Dancing and would it be possible to extend the programme to 18-20 dances. Firstly, before Covid19 programmes were produced from various RSCDS clubs from Edinburgh, East and West Lothian. Programmes have now been produced by the Committee and the programmes have proved to be successful. Secondly, it's not possible to extend the programmes due to the time we have to be out of the Hall by 9.30pm – 9.45pm. It was agreed to still have 10 dances, and everyone was happy with the Committee providing the programmes.

- **Any Other Competent Business**

Annabelle Harrison suggested a lengthier programme, however, this was discussed and agreed in Item 6.

Joan Tyler stated that it had been noted by a number of people that some dancers always danced at the top of the set and did not mix around the hall. The evenings are supposed to be friendly sociable evenings and this was not always obvious. The Chair stated that this always happens wherever people dance but you can't tell people where to dance and where not to

dance but hoped to encourage dancers to move about the hall and mix more next season.

- **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Annual Meeting was fixed for Tuesday 26th August 2025.
Next year's Summer dancing will be from 27th May 2025 – 26th August 2025.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.55pm