



# East Sussex Centre Spring Newsletter



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## Chairman's Chat

Hello Friends

I hope you are all looking forward to some better weather, so that we can all get out on grass again.

Not too much has been happening since the New Year, I hope those of you that didn't come to the New Year Event had an enjoyable time over the holiday period.

The Noggin 'n' Natter took place at Berwick Village Hall in January, it was enjoyed by those who attended. Followed by a very successful Blue Nose at White House Farm.

Valentines took place at Willingdon School and was enjoyed by everyone, a hot meal was provided then questions for husbands & wives to see if they matched. Also a Mr & Mrs Quiz had everyone laughing.

Unfortunately the Birthday at Royhill Wood had to be cancelled due to the un-presented weather and ground conditions.

However, Fun & Games at Townings went ahead despite ground conditions not being able to accommodate us at Townings Farm, we luckily were able to hold this event at Willingdon. Where the Birthday Cake was finally cut by four attending Past Chairmans, myself & Alana Youth Chairman. The evening consisted of Burgers,



chips with salad trimmings, a couple of games of Bingo & music after.

We have some interesting events coming up in the near future.

A return to the Bush Blackbird and Thrush with a Western & Country theme,

this is over the May Day Bank holiday weekend, the Centre Horseshoe competition will be held this weekend.

Bridge Farm, Appledore we still need officers for this or it may be cancelled.

The Spring B/H weekend at Bow Bridge Marina has been moved to Southern Counties Historic Vehicles at Copthorne. Also 6 Bells 'a' Ringing is now at Berwick Parish Field. Beeches Place Farm is a new site for us & the Youth will be running this with help. Also the Centre Lawn Darts will be held this weekend. Next another new site Mill Barn Farm, so get your bookings in.

For those of you who are unaware Steve Gibson has taken on the role of Rally Secretary & is working on the 2024 programme. Please give him your support.

We hope to see you out on a field soon.

*Thanks*

*Bob*

# 2023



Chairman's Chat

Information for you

Alterations to 2023  
Event Book.

Members Birthdays

New Members

Past & Future events

Centre News

Watch out for any  
changes to the 2023  
Programme.

Changes also shown on  
Centre Website News/  
Info page & Facebook -  
visit them frequently.

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## *Note from the Newsletter Editor*

We really need input from you for the newsletter, now that things are slowly getting back to normal, any news you have to share with your fellow centre members would be gratefully received. Any future rallies/events you will be running also write-ups for rallies/events that you have attended.

The **Summer** Newsletter is due to be published for the 1st event in July **Down on the Farm Again** please get any input to me by the **1st July**. Email : newsletter@eastsussexcc.org.uk

*Keep safe and we'll see everyone again soon*

*Thanking you in advance.*

*Sandy*



### **Event Book Cover**

### **Competition 2024**

If your picture is chosen for the Event Book Cover you will now win a voucher for a "FREE WEEKEND" this will apply to a normal weekend event (not a bank holiday or special). With a further prize if the cover wins the Club competition.

The picture needs to be a typical East Sussex scene or compilation of pictures from an East Sussex Event.

(please note if the picture contains children then written permission needs to be obtained from parents/guardians)

Get snapping and let the Centre Secretary have your entry by the end of August for the Committee to choose at the September meeting.

Good Luck for 2024 cover



**It is with great sadness we have to inform you that in February we lost 2 past members of the Centre.**

**Mick Ayling passed away early February, his funeral was attended by the Chairman & his wife along with the South East Region Chairman and some other centre members. Mick had been a member for several years and also served on our Committee.**

**Also**

**Jan Pipe passed away at the end of February, her funeral was attended by the Chairman & his wife along with some other members of the Centre.**

**Our thoughts go to their families at this time.**

**New Year Event  
At Steyning Grammar School**

**This was attended by 40 units**

**On practice night we were entertained by the Replays after our meal of Hunters Chicken, Roast Potatoes and mixed veg, followed by Apple Crumble  
Well done Maisie & Carole for this meal**

**The Curry and Chinese Night was a success as usual, we also pulled the penny raffle in aid of the Chairman's Charity Macmillian Support this made £27.57 along with the winning ticket that won £25.00 (well done Sharon)  
We also had a quiz that night, supplied by one of our visitors Laurie Manning.**

**The New Year's Eve meal was up to its usual high standard  
A BIG THANK YOU for everyone who helped preparing, cooking and serving this meal, without you it wouldn't have happened.  
We danced the night away to a disco.**

**The last night (wind-down) after we had sandwiches made with the left over meat, cheese etc.  
We played a couple of games of Bingo, there was one table that done really well that night.....**

**We look forward to the next New Year Party**

## IMPORTANT NOTICE



In the interest of safety please place a Fire Bucket (Red if possible) full of water outside your caravan on Rallies.

In the event of a fire these buckets would be our 1st line of defence, are easy to pick up and may help save someone's caravan.

### Fire Extinguishers

Caravanners are advised to carry a Fire Extinguisher, ideally this should be a dry powder (for LPG) and/or an Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFF).



It makes sense to be prepared!!

## REMEMBER

Dog owners always keep your dog on a lead on the Rally Field.

Excercise them away from sited vans.  
If they "Poop" please "Scoop"



### DRONES ON CENTRE EVENTS



**PLEASE NOTE DRONES ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE FLOWN ON A RALLY/ EVENT WITHOUT PRIOR PERMISSION FROM CLUB VIA COMMITTEE.**



A drone operator must provide evidence of insurance and a certificate that they have registered the drone with the CAA see

([www.dronesafe.co.ukformoreinformation](http://www.dronesafe.co.ukformoreinformation).)

The Centre also needs to ensure that the attendees have provided permission and are aware of the drone being flown under GDPR.



**ATTENTION PLEASE NOTE  
Safety on Weekend Events  
Bikes, Scooters or Boards  
MUST NOT be ridden through  
Caravans lines or after dusk.**

# Welcome to new members

Mr & Mrs J Denney  
Mr & Mrs M Hilder  
Mr & Mrs B Lyons  
Mr & Mrs N Prescott  
Mr & Mrs G Rummery  
Mr & Mrs M Skelton  
Mr & Mrs C Sunhill  
Mr & Mrs P Bath  
Mr M Brace  
Mr & Mrs L Colburn  
Mr & Mrs R Eardly  
Mr & Mrs k Freeman  
Mr P Hart  
Mr & Mrs J Hope  
Mr & Mrs D Pearce  
Mr & Mrs B Pope  
Mr & Mrs J Rasher  
Mr & Mrs J Rich  
Mr M Thomas  
Mr & Mrs R Barnett  
Mr & Mrs I Cant  
Mr J Darch & Miss C Trafford  
Mr R Harmer  
Mr & Mrs D Hobbs  
Mr & Mrs E Hysted  
Mr & Mrs M Melk  
Mr & Mrs A Parsons  
Mr & Mrs P Roberts  
Mr N Crewe  
Mr K Bradbury  
Mr & Mrs J Brown  
Mr & Mrs D Clarke  
Mr M Convey  
Mr & Mrs J Curtis  
Mr S Day  
Mr & Mrs N Fitzpatrick

Seaford  
Eastbourne  
Robertsbridge  
Uckfield  
Lewes  
Bexhill On sea  
Uckfield  
Brighton  
Romford  
Newhaven  
Tadworth  
Hailsham  
Uckfield  
Crawley  
Worthing  
Hastings  
Pevensey  
Eastbourne  
Worthing  
Seaford  
Hailsham  
Hove  
Bexhill On Sea  
Uckfield  
Winchelsea  
Brighton  
Brighton  
Eastbourne  
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Eastbourne  
Horsham  
Eastbourne  
Hove  
Heathfield  
Brighton  
Hastings

Ms B Goodfellow & Ms A Smart  
Mr D Goodsell  
Mr & Mrs R Green  
Mrs N Gurr  
Mrs T Hines  
Mrs K Hart  
Mrs S Isted  
Mr & Mrs P Lees  
Mr & Mrs A Ludkin  
Mrs L & Miss E McArthur  
Mr & Mrs S Pope  
Mr K Read  
Mrs E Reed  
Mr & Mrs V Robertson  
Mrs V Taylor  
Mr S Taylor  
Mrs S Todd  
Mr K White  
Mr H Cox & Miss K Busby  
Mr D Brown  
Mr D Arnold  
Mrs C Apps  
Mr A & Miss K Ellis  
Mr & Mrs S Humphrey  
Mrs J & Miss J Lake  
Mr & Mrs R Marsh  
Mr & Mrs S McKenna  
Mr & Mrs D Prentice  
Mr & Mrs M Scott  
Mr S Good & Mrs L Sommerville  
Mr & Mrs S Wiltshire  
Mr & Mrs W Woodrow  
Mr & Mrs C Boswell  
Mr & Mrs A Butcher  
Mr & Mrs D Hamilton  
Mr & Mrs R Powell  
Ms A Donohue & Ms H Warner

Brighton  
Forest Row  
Lewes  
Hailsham  
Newhaven  
Lewes  
Uckfield  
Eastbourne  
Brighton  
St Leonards On Sea  
Horley  
Eastbourne  
Seaford  
Aldershot  
Hailsham  
Tunbridge Wells  
Peacehaven  
Dorking  
Brighton  
Sandhurst  
Peacehaven  
Rye  
Eastbourne  
Tonbridge  
Pevensey  
Robertsbridge  
Brighton  
Bexhill On Sea  
Crowborough  
Hastings  
Heathfield  
Seaford  
Edenbridge  
Eastbourne  
Brighton  
Steyning  
Hove

## We hope to see you on a weekend/event soon



**PLEASE  
KEEP  
THE NOISE  
TO A  
MINIMUM**

**We attend Weekend Events to  
relax & enjoy the  
company of friends**

**Please consider others after 11pm and  
before 8am**



As many of you will know  
**The Chairman's Charity** is



So far we have raised a total of

**£642.54**

The Green Bucket will be on show at most events  
during this year until the AGM

Please put your loose change into it

Many of you know someone who is fighting or has  
had their lives affected by this terrible condition

**PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY**

**LETS TRY FOR £1000 if not more!**

We aim to hold some fund raising at future events.

# Western & Country May Bank-Holiday Bush Blackbird & Thrush PH, East Peckham

**28th April - 1st May**

**Expect the unexpected!!!  
On this lighthearted fun weekend!!!**



**CENTRE HORSESHOE COMPETITION  
WILL BE HELD HERE.**

**Your hosts this weekend are  
Marilyn & Clive  
with  
Sally & Steve**

**Bookings to Marilyn**

## **Bridge Farm Appledore 12th - 14th May Officers are still needed to run this weekend**

Please speak to the Chairman or current Rally Secretary for information

**THE SOUTH EAST REGION QUESTION TIME  
WILL TAKE PLACE AT**

**CHATHAM HISTORIC DOCKYARD ON SATURDAY 13TH MAY AT 11AM  
THERE WILL BE AVAILABILITY FOR 100 MEMBERS TO ATTEND THIS  
MEETING, WHICH WILL HAVE A PANEL OF 5-6 CLUB OFFICIALS TO  
ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS**

**THIS WILL BE A TICKETED MEETING.**

There is plenty to do in the area if you just wish to spend a  
quite weekend on a nice site in the country.

See website or Facebook for more information

## **Spring Bank-Holiday 26 - 29 May 2023**

### **Not Messing Around by the River**

Due to circumstances beyond our control

This event has been moved  
Southern Counties Historic Vehicles

Preservation Trust

Cophorne

**This will be a laid back weekend with  
fun along the way**

Bookings to

Marilyn & Clive

With Karina & Jez

### Noggin 'n' Natter

This was a social event held at Berwick Village Hall in January  
There was a meal supplied and it was enjoyed by all who attended.

A chance to catch up with friends.  
Thanks to the 2 Malcolms, Jan & Sue

### Blue Nose

The first event of the year out in our units.  
As usual this was a quiet event with a visit to the Community Hub in Uckfield for  
a very enjoyable meal on the Friday night, we take over the restaurant for the  
night, which is very nice. The rest of the weekend is free for you to do what you  
wish, relax, explore the area, even go for another meal locally.

Thanks to Cathy, Philip, Kim & Barry

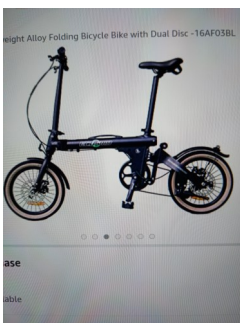
### Valentines

This took place at Willingdon School a Chicken casserole was supplied by the  
officers, followed by Quiz questions to see if husbands & wives actually knew  
each other & whether there answers would agree.

There was also a Mr & Mrs quiz  
Well done to Jenny, Peter, Chris & Lisa

**Remember  
Renew your Centre Membership  
when your club membership  
is due. It isn't automatic**

### FOR SALE

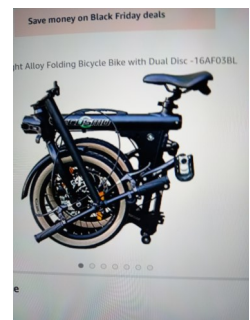


2 x Folding Bikes

Each Come with carrying bags

Phone Jane on 07826 636537

For price or make an offer



## Birthday Weekend

Unfortunately due to uncertainty of the weather and ground conditions this was cancelled at Royhill Wood, that meant that the Birthday Cake had to be put on ice Until the next event.



## Fun & Games at Townings Farm

Unfortunately the weather tried to stop us yet again, however we managed to hold this event at Willingdon School, where we enjoyed Burgers, chips and trimmings, followed by Birthday Cake, Bingo and music.

The cake was finally cut in the traditional way With Past Chairman Bill, Barry, Dave & Sandy joining the Chairman Bob and Youth Chairman Alana

Well done to Jan & Keith with Karina, Jez and Family for all their hard work to make sure we didn't get cancelled again.



**Happy Birthday  
To our Members  
Who celebrate  
their Birthdays  
during this quarter**

Pat Churm 14/4  
Amy 18/4  
Steve Hornsby 23/4  
Gerry Bennett 29/4  
Maggie Scrase 30/4  
Cathy Grant 7/5  
George 10/5  
Norma Fisher 13/5

Carole Warren 19/5  
Ken Scrase 31/5  
James 5/6  
Anne Marret 24/6  
Derek Marret 24/6  
Bob Miller 29/6  
Lynne Davies 2/7  
Steve Allen 5/7

We also wish any other members who's Birthday falls in this quarter **"A Very Happy Birthday"**

Let me know of any Birthdays so we can publish them in future editions.



# 6 Bells 'a' Ringing

9th – 11th June

## Berwick Parish Field

We are here by kind permission of Berwick Parish Council

We would like very much to welcome you all to the ever popular venue of Berwick village playing fields.

A free and easy laid back weekend with walks around Arlington Reservoir and towns to visit nearby,  
+ 2 Wedding Anniversaries to Celebrate with us.

We hope to see you all there.

More information on the website / Facebook nearer to the event date.

OFFICERS JAN & MALCOLM WITH  
JAN & KEITH  
SLIPS TO MALCOLM

# The Youth Take Over

Beeches Place Farm, Uckfield

23rd - 25th June

Join us at this new site for the Centre for a weekend full of fun & games

The Centre Lawn Darts will take place over this weekend



The Youth Committee are taking over, they promise a whole lot of fun and games, followed by a BIG BBQ, with trimmings



Helping the Youth this weekend are  
Mark & Michelle  
with  
Karina & Jez

Bookings to Mark

# Back on the Farm Again

Mill Barn Farm, Hutst Green

7th - 9th July

Come and join us on another new site for our Centre.

We will be helping Farmer McMuffin aka Bill with a few jobs around his farm



He will reward us all with a Ploughman's supper.



Bookings to Carole

Farm Hands :  
Carole & Bill with  
Maisie & Gerry



# Southern Centres Family Weekend

25 – 28 August 2023

Apps Court Farm, Hurst Road,  
Walton-On Thames, Surrey, KT12 2EG

Various foods available throughout the weekend  
Live entertainment every night



Summer Fete  
Great Raffle

Licensed Bar

All Entertainment included in the rally fees

Childrens Entertainment

Fun Dog Show

Childrens sports

Family Fun Games

FOR UPDATES ON THE WEEKEND GO TO  
[www.southerncentres.org.uk](http://www.southerncentres.org.uk)

Apps Court Farm is a beautiful, 82 acres of land next to the River Thames adjacent to Sunbury Lock, between Hampton Court Palace and Walton-on-Thames.

A GREAT weekend for all of the family  
For booking information contact- Stuart Johnson 07970 658960  
treasurer@southerncentres.org.uk  
or your Southern Centres Rep.

CLOs (Centre Liaison Officers) wanted  
We have one set, ideally we need 2 sets  
You will arrive early & help set up East Sussex Lines,  
also Liaise with the SC organisers as events occur

# SNIPPETS

## Minutes of the committee meeting held via ZOOM on Tuesday 6th December 2022

PRESENT: B. Hutchings, M. Jones, C. Warren, J. Goodsell, M. Grinyer, J. Matheson, N. Derbyshire, M. Knight, S. Gibson, M. Smith

**CORRESPONDENCE:** email from Club in response to an enquiry regarding Committee Badges. Bob has been in touch with a company they suggested. This will be dealt with in the New Year. Also had confirmation that the price of the feather flags. This can be discussed after new year.

**REPORTS: CHAIRMAN:** Bob has been receiving replies to the New Year Update letter and most attendees have paid. **VICE-CHAIRMAN:** ESCC 54. Visitor's 25. Total 75. Average 19.75%. **SECRETARY:** Nominal 1642. This has dropped by about 2000 members. **TREASURER:** There is £10,641.04 in the current account. Yoyh account £415.20. **RALLY SECRETARY:** still chasing a couple of T&Cs, Bob has spoken to both contacts, and both said they'll get them sent through. **YOUTH:** Jez has sent the vouchers and had a good response with many of the children sending photos of their purchases. Sue J has purchased and wrapped all of the selection boxes for the party. He asked MJ to pass on his thanks. Preparations are all in place for the Party. Jan has the £5 ready to reimburse parents/guardians.

**SOUTHERN CENTRES:** Email with ideas for dog show, cake stall etc. Requested for people to help too. Only 100 booked in at present, a third of the normal. Jez will push on Facebook.

**SOUTH EAST REGION:** Malcolm & Bob attended a Zoom meeting last Wednesday. Items discussed were dates for the next year's meetings, the venue for Question Time – still being investigated. Confirmation of West Sussex hosting the 2023 SER AGM at Steyning School over the weekend 20<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup> October. Also mentioned was the extended Clean Air zone in London, this comes into effect on the 29<sup>th</sup> August (which is the day after the August Bank-holiday Monday, so anyone attending Southern Centres to avoid being charged, you will need to leave on the Monday. Malcolm also asked about the indemnity insurance and was told that once club is informed by the insurance company, they will inform centres what is covered, until then carry on as normal. **IT PROJECT MANAGER :** Unfortunately there seems to be a problem with the centre emails today. Bob has tried to contact the company, however they only respond to emails to their support desk and do not take calls.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** Bob will take the photos to Nominations to choose an Event Book Cover. He will then hand Carole all of the photos for the AGM competitions. The Centre Competitions will be chosen at the next meeting, after the AGM. Chairman read his report and it was accepted by a show of hands. **AGM** Carole said the Youth AGM will be in the main hall. Alana will take the meeting with Carole's support. The food in the evening will be Jacket potatoes, fillings and salad. Malcolm and Sue J will purchase. The committee will assist with preparation. Sandy and Bob will purchase desserts.

**NEW YEAR:** All but 3 payments have been received. Bob & Sandy have purchased all the wine for both nights, also ordered the meat for NY Eve, we have most of the items needed for the whole event, Bob will check the stock in the tea box after the next weekend to restock coffee & tea. The remaining perishable items will be picked up when everything is picked up the meat on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Bob has asked a past chairman to say grace on the NY evening. Also, Bob has confirmed that Dave Fisher is happy to do the Drinks at the Chairman's Reception. Please note that all committee members attending the event will be arriving on the 27<sup>th</sup> after mid-day, everyone else will arrive on 28<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that you have a High-vis vest and if you have them walkie-talkie so everyone can keep in touch for anything that may crop up. Malcolm J, Malcolm G and Neil said they'd bring theirs. Laurie Manning has sent an email suggesting he do a quiz. He will be asked to do this for the Chinese & Curry night on the 30<sup>th</sup>. Sandy and Bob will hold a penny raffle starting on the 28<sup>th</sup> and being drawn on the 30<sup>th</sup> for the Charity. A Penny raffle is numbers between 1 – 100 from a bag/box. If you pick 1 then you pay 1p if you pick 100 then you pay £1. When the numbers are pulled the winning number will win £25 the remaining money will go to the charity.

**PAST EVENTS:** Rye Bonfire – A good event enjoyed by those in attendance. Great sausages. Jez said he had to wait until late for someone to depart. Steve proposed and Malcolm J seconded that winter events ended at 3pm to allow officers time to get home in the daylight. This was voted unanimously.

**AOB:** Neil reported on Gaviston Hall but is still waiting for a breakdown of costs. Marilyn has asked for help sourcing decent raffle prizes but as yet, none have come forward. Marilyn will do some hampers with good produce. Jan asked about the use of high back chairs in the party tents. Jez apologised as he felt he had underestimated the volume of attendees at Haying Island and would be better prepared. Malcolm J said it could only be policed at big events when high back chairs would be asked to be placed at the rear of an event tent.

## Minutes of the committee meeting held via ZOOM On Tuesday 24th January 2023

PRESENT: B. Hutchings, M. Jones, C. Warren, J. Goodsell, M. Grinyer, J. Matheson, N. Derbyshire, M. Knight, S. Gibson, M. Smith

**CORRESPONDENCE:** CHAIRMAN: received a card from Pat Churm, thanking us for the New Year. There have been several people commenting on Facebook offering their thanks. Letter from FM Tags informing us that their prices will increase in 2023. There was an enquiry via the website from Clint the DJ, enquiring if he

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could be of service to us again, his fee for New Year would be £750. VICE: email from FM Tags. Has been in contact with Clint and will keep him on the books.

**REPORTS: CHAIRMAN:** Thanked everyone for their work over the New Year Event. He said everyone enjoyed themselves. Bob conveyed his condolences to Sue Jones on the loss of her mum.

**TREASURER:** There is £6935.03 in the current account. The deposit account has accrued £87.34 interest making a total of £7032.71. Youth account £415.20. **RALLY SECRETARY:** has been looking into a programme for 2024. Has sent the committee out a sheet with ideas on for sites to visit. Has had some response back with some ideas which can be pursued. Had a response from Townings Farm and still waiting for the T&C from Laughing Fish for confirmation of pricing. The 6 Bells confirmed that we could not go there this year, as there is hay growing in the field at that time. Bob has booked Berwick Parish Field to replace this venue. Has contacted Sharnfold Farm but was told that the new owners said it would be £15 per night, per unit, this would be far too expensive for a weekend or even a Bank-Holiday

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION :** Refunds for New Year – discussed in full. Each case was taken individually but only 2 had given sufficient advanced warning of cancellation. All the others had cancelled once the rally had commenced or left before the end. Carole is to write and inform individuals.

**PAST EVENTS** Christmas Party – a super event that everyone enjoyed. Bob noted that Willingdon had stepped in with a venue at the last minute. New Year – the practice night band were excellent but the disco at New Year was unfortunately very bad. They complained to Malcolm J that they had been heckled and that their poor performance was due to our centre members. Jez thought that this did not justify a response and they would never be invited to attend again. Noggin & Natter – Sandy and Bob did not attend and sent their apologies. They thanked Mark for stepping up as Chairman for the evening.

**AOB** Steve presented a precise and articulate outline for ideas for incentives for new members. a) New Ralliers who paid for their event should get a voucher for their second event (excluding entertainment) b) New Event Officers should be given a voucher for a weekend event (excluding entertainment) c) Leaflets should be prepared and handed/posted where caravans/ MH are, including houses and sites. d) Ads could be placed on Facebook ie each committee member could be responsible for adding event details to their local area pages. e) A mentor system set in place for new members – a committee member would be responsible at their first event and be their 'go to' person. This was discussed at length and Steve was thanked for the effort he had put in to preparing it. Jez proposed and Carole seconded it and it was accepted. The committee will work towards making these ideas happen in the following months.

## Minutes of the committee meeting held via ZOOM On Monday 7th February 2023

PRESENT: S. Smith, C. Page, C. Warren, J. Goodsell, J. Matheson, M. Grinyer, M. Knight, S. Gibson, N. Derbyshire. M. Smith joined the meeting after the initial briefing.

**CORRESPONDENCE: CHAIRMAN:** Sue said that Bob had received an email from Richard regarding the cricket ground at Chiddingly, the grounds are not a viable proposition to site units on. **VICE:** Chris said he was waiting for Malcolm J to update him. Malcolm had responded to Chris's requests and will forward information.

**REPORTS: CHAIRMAN:** Sue reported that she had attended the New Year Event, which had been great until the end. Blue Nose was excellent value with another good meal at the Civic Centre. The Birthday Event will take place. Sue is an event officer and Chris is unable to attend. It is hoped that Sue and Chris will attend as many events as possible. If the Chairman is unable to attend, then a committee member should be prepared to set up as a Chairman's representative. **VICE-CHAIRMAN:** Chris said he understood that an act had been booked for Practice night 2023, but nothing was arranged for the AGM and a disco was needed for New Years Eve. **SECRETARY:** Is waiting for the email addresses from Bob so that relevant refunds can be issued. **TREASURER:** There is £7002.62 in the current account. Youth account £415.20. **RALLY SECRETARY:** Chris is going to speak to Bob for updates. He asked for a volunteer to support him. Steve offered his assistance. Sue confirmed that both the Rally Secretary and the Secretary roles were two of the biggest jobs. She asked Jez to set up a joint email for both Chris and Steve

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:** Mark asked for an increase for the entertainment fees. Sue explained that any increase for the Year had to go before the AGM and should be in writing, to the Secretary 30 days prior to the AGM. Meanwhile, event officers can apply to the committee on an event by event basis. Fellowship plaques– ideas next month please. Provisional Rally Programme – deferred to next month. Jez suggested Sharnfold. Chris will make enquiries. It is under new management. Easter Eggs for the Youth. Jez to purchase.

**PAST EVENTS :** Blue Nose. The event was, as always very good. The event officers were thanked. The Civic Centre served an excellent meal.

**AOB :** Chris welcomed new ideas for sites. He was catching up and finding his feet. - Sarah and Alan Brooks are good, sound and reliable reps for Southern Centres. Chris suggested another volunteer should attend. Marilyn said she would attend as and when she could. - Marilyn reported that Maggie Scrase was in hospital. Sue said she would send a card.—Jan asked about the minimum stay of 2 nights and suggested it be reduced to one. Sue explained that events were limited and two nights is the minimum that attendees should pay. - Jez thanked the committee for standing together and working through the situation. He acknowledged Carole's challenges and the involvement she had had in remaining steadfast for the committee. Sue reiterated this and also thanked Jez for setting everything up and holding the meeting etc.





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