

Stop The Drips At St Brits

Fund raising group minutes July 12th 2010

Present – James, Ann, Joy, Rosemary, Dawn, Pat, Tammy, Ruth and Jackie

Apologies – Nicola, Nancy and Phil A

Update - Well done to Team St Brits (09 people) who climbed the 3 peaks at the weekend. A paypal account was set up to take sponsor money and Phil emailed the link to everyone he knew, this seems a good way to get a wider area of people involved in sponsoring or donating money. Details can be found on the website www.brizenorton.org.uk/stbritusroof. The team are looking for a new challenge for next year!

Next news letter –draft newsletter 3 was discussed. The balance now raised is £16,180.00. David Howard took the photo of the Bluebell walk . Another Smartie tube was handed in tonight and one committee member confessed to still having a full one at home that needs to be handed in. Jackie will email Phil a couple of points and then it can be distributed

Harvest Supper - Phil and Mary had suggested we open at 7.30 to eat at 7.45, the committee felt this wasn't very long to get everyone through the door, sell raffle tickets and get seated. We will open the doors at 7.15 to serve at 7.45pm. To make the evening a little longer we thought it would be a good idea to have the main course then the live music then the dessert. A cd will play before and after the live music. A glass of wine will be given with the meal and we will take along tea and coffee if someone should ask for it. Phil and Mary had suggested that tickets should be sold for £10. The general feeling was that this was too much. We really need to cost up the food and drink. Jackie will email Phil and Mary to see if Foxbury Farm have quoted for the food. We do not want people to stay away because of the price, we suggest tickets are £7.50 each and we can make up the money by selling raffle tickets. Tickets will be available from Jackie, Joy and Phil. Jackie will ask Judy Gush where the wine came from for the bridge lunch as this was on sale or return, we could also borrow more glasses with the wine if we need them. The church has approx. 48. Pat, Jackie and Dawn are happy to set up and/or wash up. Joy will sell raffle tickets and the door. We need to remember to take tea towels and bin bags. We can advertise the tickets on Bank Holiday Monday and hopefully we are in time to get it in the next parish news

Bank Holiday Monday - we have nothing much to add to this as many people are away. Joy will help Bob with a treasure map

We will have a list in church for helpers on the day.

Gardens Open - Thank you to Lucy who raised £100 by selling teas at her house on this day. Also thanks to those who donated cakes

Ride and Stride

Pat handed out sponsor forms for this event on Saturday September 11th. We also need volunteers to man the church

Opera - The charity opera group is very interested in helping us out but they are not available before Christmas. Dawn will book them for January (charityopera.com if you would like to look them up)

Accessories swap party - As Lucy was not at the meeting we have no further news

Village Garage Sale - will be carried forward to next spring

Race Night - Tammy, Ruth and Jackie have changed their minds! They would like to do an outdoor race night next June. The track will be marked out on the rec, hire the pavilion for toilets, run a bar and tote. Dawn has a small marquee we can borrow

Whist Drive – no further news, maybe February

Chocoholics - Nancy emailed Jackie a contact but that is as far as we have got. Jackie to get on with

Christmas cards – Tammy and Ruth are designing these with Tim Gush

Christmas Bazaar - in the church on Thursday 2nd December. Mulled wine, mince pies, maybe candlelight and fairy lights. Pickles, preserves and Christmas cards for sale, do we know anyone who does handicrafts? James feels this could be more of a social event as it will be a year since we started our fund raising

Next year we need to start thinking how we can target a wider area as we can't keep asking the same people. We may need to pay out money to organise bigger things – “speculate to accumulate”!
A ball at Witney Lakes was a popular idea
Fun Run – idea for next summer
A beer festival with the help of the chequers and Masons?

Suggested Calendar of forthcoming events

August – 30th cricket fete
September - 25th Harvest Supper and 11th Ride and Stride
October – accessories swap party
November – chocoholics
December – 2nd Christmas bazaar
January – opera
February – whist drive
March –
April –
May – garage sales
June – Race night

NEXT MEETING

Monday August 9th at 7.30pm in the Masons back room