

# Agenda - St Ives Arts Club Tuesday 2 pm 14th November 2023

In attendance: Steve Litherland (Chair) Wendy Litherland, Chris O'Reilly, Suzanne Ellacott, Will Sleath, Louise Vallis, John Kness, Jo Grant

Apologies for Absence - Janet Axten

Minutes of last meeting - circulated and approved , Matters arising :-

SL advised that formal adoption of a New Committee takes place at the AGM but custom and practice is to "roll over" with the old committee until that occurs.

SL report that there was no loss in regard to the film nights during the September Festival as initially expected. Ticket sales picked up in the weeks of the Festival.

The picture identified by Janet Axten by Claire White has been bought by the Club for £108. This is part of an ongoing process to try and acquire works by past Presidents.

# Officer Reports

#### President

Enterprise Grant Applied for. Waiting to hear if the club has been successful and what further information will be required. Over 65 applications received for remaining funds - £1.9m? Round 3 will be open in March 24.

#### Finance Officer

A Report was presented by CO showing the 22/23 membership year which will be reported to the Membership at the AGM. Due to the level of turnover the accounts must be independly audited before posting at the Charity Commission. Greenwood Wilson to be appointed.

## **Bookings Officer**

There is constant demand for the Theatre Space and bookings will, primarily, be considered by the President and House Manager due to the need to assess the technical requirements, suitability and availability of event management volunteers.

## Membership Officer

Since the last meeting in August 8 new applications for membership had been processed. Member ship fee renewal is ongoing

#### **Exhibitions Officer**

The Exhibition Room is virtually fully booked for the 23/24 year., There have been 2 recent Exhibitions were no sales were recorded so just the £100 booking fee was received.

#### **Newsletter Editor**

The new Newsletter platform adopted by the Editor in conjunction with CO is working well.

## Social Committee Representative

The St Ives Archive visit took place at £5 for members and £6 non members. 12 people attended.

A visit to Morabb Library also recorded 12 attendees at the same ticket prices.

Suggestions for future member events were a Christmas Coffee Morning ,possibly a repeat of Burns night, a visit to the Tate/Hepworth gardens, a further talk by Christine Farrington in July 24, a New Member Social event to coincide with the AGM.

#### World Classics -

WS reported a sold out concert (62 tickets) for the Hanif Kahn and Meboob Nadeem. A modest £50 profit was reported top use for future concerts. WS advised that 2 African Musicians had been booked Music of Senegal and the Gambia on Friday 26th January by Kadialy Kouyaté, **kora** & Sefo Kanuteh, balafon. Tickets £22 - cost is £1500 in total.

#### **AOB**

## Proposals paper

January Works circulated and approved volunteers for painting will be requested in the next Newsletter

# **Enterprise Grant**

Applied for and SL expecting more detailed enquiries from Cornwall Council in due course. CO to assist with financial data. 10 project areas were

identified and circulated prior to the meeting. The budget is £50K with maximum contribution of 65%

#### Members handbook

SL is drafting a new version and has followed a Template bu The Arts Club in London. It will be circulated fro commentary in due course

## **Art Groups**

A discussion took place to clarify the situation in regard to Friday Art group. The group was set up for new members or those who did not want to, or could not, attend Monday Art.

The aspiration was that numbers would be limited to 15 for new members. Eventually numbers reached 20 - including 2 from Monday Art who supported the group from the start.

Further members will be limited to new members of the Club who are seeking an art group although the hope is that numbers will drop back to 15. A suggestion was made that perhaps rules had been broken but a full review has been undertaken and the situation has now been resolved and further clarified.

#### **Events**

This was dealt with under Bookings - see above.

#### AGM

To be in early February to allow for Accounts to be Audited

#### **Christmas Windows**

A budget of £100 was allowed for Christmas window displays by JG.

# Saturday Morning Portrait Classes/workshops

Kerry Grant and Caroline Marwood want to book the Theatre Space. It was agreed that the hourly rate of £10 would apply - or such other sum agreed upon review of the rates due to increased costs.

Winter Collective and member Exhibitions
Only Original Cards will be accepted not prints

Meeting ended 4.25pm

Date of Next meeting and AGM - possibly Tuesday 6th February at 2pm for meeting and 3pm for AGM