

Minute of RSPBA Dundee, Perth and Angus Branch

Glencarse Village Hall,

Sunday 3rd February 2019, 7:00pm

Ser	Discussions	Actions	Completed
1.	<u>Chairman's Welcome</u> PM welcomed all to the meeting.		
2.	<u>Attendance:</u> Garry Mair(GM), Paul McAndrew(PM), Irene Black(IB), Alison Duthie(AFD), Sarah Rathbone (SR), Gillie McNab (GMc), Bruce Cargill (BC), David Hunter (DH) Ian Findlay (IF) Ian Hughes (IH) Willie Tait (WT) Jim Mills (JM) Alistair Duthie		
(b)	<u>Apologies</u> Gill Carlin, Craig Black, Jim Clarke,		
3.	<u>Matters Arising</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay Pal – Progressing well, will be available very soon. GM & PM to meet to week commencing 11/2/19 to finalise paperwork. • Perth Games – A letter has been submitted regarding parking of buses and that we do not agree with the proposal to park at the Racecourse and be shuttle bused to the arenas. • Pat Wheelan – Outreach monies have been approved £6000, Individuals will be paying their own exam fees, Lothian and Borders are paying half of the costs due their being personnel from L&B Branch. IB looking for names of individuals to send Invoices to – PM/GM to send IB the spreadsheet from the last day. • Discussions were held regarding the registration process each year. Records are to be kept of all those who pass each part of the exam so that there is a local record in order for the following year registrations to be correct and each person is following the correct course work. • List of Branch officials to be on Branch website: Name/Contact Tel No/Email address, get in touch with GM if you do not wish your details to be on the website. • Contact Lists – DH gathering information regarding bands, GM is currently working on making it an accurate live document and is well underway with this project. 	<p>GM/PM</p> <p>GM/PM</p> <p>DH/GM</p>	

4.	<p><u>Approval of previous minutes:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The following amendments are to be made: Julie Brinklow Gordon McDermott Paul McAndrew Iain Findlay <p>Once completed, this is a true and accurate record of discussions at the Dundee, Perth and Angus Branch meeting held on Sunday 9th December 2018.</p> <p>Proposed: Mr Bruce Cargill Seconded: Gary Mair</p>	AFD	
5.	<p><u>Correspondence:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information has been received reference PayPal GM/PM meeting to finalise details. Annual invoice received for web design and maintenance. Harris Academy have brought to the Branches attention that they have desks that could be used for the Dundee City Contest. GM to follow up. 	GM/PM GM	
6.	<p><u>Treasurers Report:</u></p> <p>IB reported to the meeting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Account information presented by IB <p>IB awaiting monies from Perth and Kinross Council for nightlights, once received it will be distributed to all bands that took part.</p>	IB	
7.	<p><u>Music Board:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SR – request Tutor books for SQA – The College of Piping have been offered a copy of George Watson’s book – discussions were held round this and it was deemed that it didn’t strictly follow SQA. There should be one version produced for all to use. Each level of the outreach programme requires a “Standard Pack”. Pipe Band College once they have the Education Reps in place can take this forward. After “Winter Storm” they would like to use the exam structure we currently have. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For the books, there requires to be an SQA course descriptor along with a working group pulling this together for the benefit of all. • Change new guidelines to split Grade 1 – this was rejected by the Board (3.2.19) • Promoting Historical Society – Public display to view RSPBA History – Kevin Reilly is the contact – PM Duthie has offered his help with this. • Discussions were held round Tenor Drumming adjudicators and the difference between protocols at a Solo Competition or a Pipe Band Competition. • Branches must have RSPBA adjudicators for Pipe Band Contests but not for Solo Competitions, they can use experienced players. • Summaries of all Music Board meetings will go on the RSPBA website. • All Music Board information should be visible to all members of RSPBA 		
8.	<p><u>Director’s Report:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is currently support for the “Worlds” to go back to one day, but it would be in 2020, not 2019. • Glasgow Life are the promoters of the “Worlds” until 2021, we may break a contract by going back to one day – Impact study to be carried out • RSPBA Marketing and Media department are to create a Facebook page • Fines that were implemented at the International Tenor competition for late trophy returns have all been sent cheques. • We have the biggest World Solo Drumming Qualifying. The format is to be reviewed this September as there is a possibility of the morning session disappearing and pre-qualifying implemented. • Work started two weeks ago on HQ, Scaffolding at the front of the building and permission has been granted to have it at the back also, portacabins. On starting the project, they have found liquid asbestos that requires £25000 removal, due to weather conditions there is a slight hold up with this. • Board of Directors/Branches – to complete the project may be asked for funds, our branch will be a zero contribution, but this is only a contingency plan. Two major trusts are to be asked to fund the project one of them being “Red Hackle Trust”. 	PM	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Orders – no change of rules – PM to edit and send out to all. • A list of all adjudicators for the “Majors” is now available. 		
9	<u>Education</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PM not at the last meeting • Piping Geographical rep from our Branch to be Craig Black, reps have to be level 6 SQA or above. GM to send information to RSPBA. • Interviews to be held week commencing 11th Feb for Principal of Piping and Principal of Drumming. 	PM	
10	<u>Media</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report currently • Braemar Media – Media of Events (Dale) 		
11	<u>AOCB</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RSPBA AGM – 9th March, Trades Hall, Glasgow • Papers will be sent out to candidates 10 days before, if you cannot attend and would like GM to act on your band’s behalf please send paperwork before • Perth Games Committee are no longer working with the CPA for solo piping competition at Perth Highland Games. The Branch have been asked if they would take it over, after much deliberation it was decided that this year, we couldn’t take it over, logistics would make it very difficult. • Pitlochry Highland Games – Contact is required urgently from Pitlochry Highland Games Committee as the Pipe Band element is in jeopardy of not going ahead if there is no contact made with RSPBA HQ. • Cupar Highland Games are looking to have a Pipe Band element this year. 16th June same weekend as UK Championships, Paul Brown has intimated he would come back to run a competition if required, although it may just be bands carrying out displays that are required rather than a competition – Update to be given. • 	GMc	
12	<u>Branch Reps</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DH congratulated GMc on behalf of us all, on being awarded her BEM. Many congratulations Gillie. 		
13	Meeting closed at 9:55pm Date of next meeting – Sunday 10 th March 2019 (Apologies from GMc)		

