

**Minutes of a Committee Meeting of the  
Fellowship of 1066 Longmarkers  
held at 16 Brading Close, Hastings at 7.45 p.m. on  
Tuesday 5th March 1996**

**Present:**

Arthur Coleman (in the Chair), Esther Carpenter, Dave Morris, Ernie Spray, Ron & Connie Longley, Colin Sinden and Denis Coleman.

**Apologies for Absence:**

Apologies were received Joyce Coleman. The Chairman asked at this stage if anybody had news of Sid Powell as he had been trying to contact Sid over three days with no success. No-one had.

**Minutes:**

The Minutes of the last meeting had been circulated and were taken as read. and adopted. The crossed out paragraph had inadvertently been copied from the Minutes of a previous meeting.

**Matters Arising:**

The Chairman, as instructed at the previous meeting has confirmed our Christmas meet with the Ash Tree Inn for 15th December 1996.

**Financial Report:**

Donations from Bob Seward, Geoff Jones and Colin Sinden have been banked as has a cheque made out to the Fellowship for two Dinner tickets. Donations from Norman Channon and Arthur Dann are to be banked and one of £4 from David Heighway has been put into petty cash.

The Bank balance is now £534.88 with just under £5 and a few stamps in petty cash.

The Bank and receipt books were checked and approved.

**Dinner Dance 1996:**

Numbers attending were down this year due to the severe weather conditions and to illness with both causes forcing people to cancel, although as the weather slightly improved some re-booked at the last minute. All this meant a lot of worry for Arthur and Esther with dozens of 'phone calls having to be made.

The hotel people were very good in accepting the fluctuating numbers being booked.

Despite everything all those attending seemed to enjoy themselves. All reports received by the Chairman confirm this, especially our guests of honour, John & Yvonne Whittle, and Pat Hill has been telling people how good it was and advising them to come next year. Some have mentioned it was better without the Wild Oats as it didn't split the evening up.

Esther produced a balance sheet which shows a profit of £37, £21 of which has already been banked as reported in the financial statement earlier.

All in all a happy conclusion and Esther and Arthur were thanked for their efforts.

**Dinner/Dance 1997:**

The Yelton Hotel and Tina & Wilf have been booked for the last Saturday in January 1997.

In view of the earlier comments and after some debate it was decided not to ask the Wild Oats to perform for us on this occasion and the Chairman to inform them of this.

It was also pointed that if they had performed this year our profit would have been virtually wiped out.

John King (CC Bexley) is to be asked by the Chairman to be our guest speaker for 1997.

**New Members:**

Associate Member Arthur Borkett has proposed that John & Yvonne Whittle be invited to become Associate Members. The meeting agreed to this and the Chairman is to write to them on this matter.

**Any Other Business:**

A suggestion from Associate Member Ron Ash to alter the Dinner date to avoid possible weather was turned down.

Colin Sinden suggested that Arthur and Esther be compensated for the use of their phones over the years. The meeting agreed that both should receive £5 annually on March 1st commencing this year.

Both expressed their sincere thanks for this gesture.

Thanks were expressed from Connie Longley and Joyce Coleman for the flowers they had received on the day of the Dinner.

**Next Committee Meeting:**

The next Committee Meeting was arranged for Tuesday, May 7th 1996 to be held at 16 Brading Close, Hastings at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss the Chairman thanked all for their attendance and a vote of thanks was expressed to the Chair and agreed by all.

The Meeting was closed at 8.55 p.m.

Signed.....

(Chairman of the Committee)