

PCWSG MINS 18.12.2012

Present: Jim Shepherd, Stuart Garvie, Jeff Gunnell (chairing), Dave and Louise Batchelor, Elaine Carruthers, Gary Bolton of WT.

Apologies: Michael McGinnes, Leslie Botten, Alison Bradley.

Minutes of 20.11.12: Approved

Woodland Trust update: Gary confirmed **22nd January 2013** at WT's Perth office for a post 'boginar' meeting; it was to be at 11am but is **now 2pm**

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Action: Louise to invite Andrew McBride of SNH (he has accepted).

Action: steering group to supply agenda items. Suggestions so far:-

- 1). The post Boginar report, by Louise and Jeff, does everyone agree with its contents?
2. Development plan – long-term view.
3. Short-term future.
4. Funding
5. Volunteer events and who to supervise them.

The WT expect 6-8 members of steering group to attend , so far it will be Jeff, Dave B, Louise, Alison and possibly Jim. (Mike and/or Leslie?)

Christmas trees on the Moss: Everyone agreed that the event on 16th Dec had been a great success. Good attendance and healthy fundraising. We took £508, and after expenses have a net total of £483. Gary agreed to show us how to do some thinning to improve the trees for next December.

Burns supper: Dave had collected tickets from Trojan but around a dozen missing. **Action:** Dave to chase missing tickets. Some tickets to be taken to Kinnesswood Shop and Lochend Farm. Sales to be monitored closely so that we don't lose track of what's gone and what's left (as of today, none – but a reserve list started in case people drop out). Groups can have seats reserved but must pay for tickets first.

Action: Dave to ask Mike and Gerry to play (yes, they will).

Action: leaflets to be ordered from Trojan and put through every door (Elaine has volunteered to do Scotlandwell, D and L Kinnesswood and the Balgedies-all done).

Action: Jeff designing leaflet (done).

Action: posters – we need to ask Karen what happened last year.

Shep confirmed the hall was booked; beer ordered; piper – will be sorted; Ryan will do the bar; we need soft drinks and lager (which he'll buy) but no more spirits. Ken Robertson of Kinnesswood has kindly offered to sponsor the supper by providing whisky miniatures and some full-sized bottles.

Portmoak Moss: Louise reported large numbers of emails since the boginar, with Mike McGinnes handling the Living Lomonds Heritage Lottery Fund application. **Action:** Alex Page needs more info by end of Dec eg more quotes and any changes to the work proposed. Louise in communication with Andrew McBride of SNH about immediate/ long-term works and potential funding. We've also had emails from Denise Reed of SNH about potential inclusion in the Loch Leven National Nature Reserve. New criteria for inclusion will be completed by the end of March.

Dates for the diary: March 10th Appletree man to run another pruning course.

Date of next meeting: 15th Jan 2013 Well Country Inn