

Minutes for Arco Iris Committee Meeting - 26th March 2013

Host: Ian

Present:

Apologies for absence:

ROMP

February 2013 Committee meeting minutes at:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_VJ6yN-36nw9ZzDR-6fqXZ73LI8rUyISGhZZkepOtw4/edit

Actions from the last meeting:

When you've completed an action, "copy-n-paste" this tick mark (✓)

[New ones are bold red, and in square brackets]

Adam:

1. Continue investigating technical details of how the member and email databases can be merged

Ongoing

[2. Make instrument inventory available on website.]

[3. Set up score templates]

Anna & Laura:

1. Follow up invitation to play in Rotterdam. Asnat to pass on details. ✓

Asnat has passed on details - will email the people in Rotterdam and CC the events committee.

Asnat:

1. Pass on Rotterdam details to Anna/Laura

See above

[2. Email the people in Rotterdam and CC the events committee.]

[3. Investigate the possibility of a naked Arco calendar]

Emma:

1. Set up meetings with caixas, timbas, etc. To establish the official scores (continued)

[2. Investigate the possibility of a naked Arco calendar]

Ian:

1. Get treasurer guide from Steph ✓

Jo:

Nell:

1. Stu has come by a lot of strong rainbow-coloured strap material; Nell will email Stu to ask if

this is available to arco members ✓

2. Make more accurate instrument inventory and put it on the web (Need inventory for insurance)

<https://docs.google.com/file/d/0BxMM9UF4X284aFphTzhNa3Z4NE0/edit?usp=sharing>



3. Remind players about hitting drums correctly (We decided I'd do this when the new skins are on)

4. Offer old drums to band members/schools Using the inventory I'd like to just check what people are happy for me to offer - I'm thinking: snares (x2), mini timba, possibly black agogo bells.

5. Label up cases and tell people how the surdo cupboard is organised

6. Order 3 packs of each (yellow/purple) earplugs ✓ (Well not three of each but 500 pairs of yellow and 60 pairs of purple - came to nearly £200 so thought it'd be enough for the moment!)

7. Look for Arco business cards

Nicholas:

1. Chase up Alan about AGM minutes. ✓

Ruth:

1. Consider options for a design competition for a new one-off shirt that would use the existing logo on the front but would have a 20th anniversary message/logo on the back. This would likely be a one-colour design to allow our existing suppliers to be used. ✓

Steve:

1. Send follow-up an email encouraging members to offer their help with clearing up. ✓
2. Mention in next email to leaders about asking the band to stay and clear up after practice.
3. Remind people about purple earplugs ✓

[4. Find out where all the keys are, for peace of mind about the security of the drum cupboard.]

Recent Events / Gigs:

RAG week carnival (23rd February)

Excellent gig - no problems with protests etc.

CUPortSS. Wolfson College (15th March)

Good gig with a really nice audience.

Upcoming Events / Gigs:

Busk for Strawberry Fair (7th April?)

Still not confirmed.

Added Agenda Items

1. Committee to Discuss Drogheda 2013

The events team would like to organise Drogheda, and will speak to Ahu as soon as possible to thank her for the work she has done so far and arrange a handover.

2. Buying new stuff (just a quick one) - Nell

Want to discuss replacing totally broken tam and, having bought one new hep, discuss getting another...

We have thirteen tams, which is more than enough, so we won't be replacing the broken tam.

We are unsure whether the number of heps on the inventory is accurate. One of the eight on the inventory is broken, but at the moment we seem to have less than the 7 working heps we would expect.

Emma suggests that plastic skins might sound good on surdos if the new nappa skins don't work out - the way Global Grooves prepare their surdos uses plastic skins and gaffer tape, and it sounds good.

3. Status update on the musical scores review process - SD

More meetings with groups of players (timbas, heps) will need to happen to establish what the standard version of each score will be. Bells, tams and shakers probably won't require a meeting, since scores for these instruments do not seem controversial. Band voting can determine the standard score when it is difficult to settle (as is currently the case with Ruth's Raga). The agreed scores can be printed off (and a version kept at the bathhouse) and published on the website.

A.O.B.

- Asnat/Emma will investigate the possibility of a naked Arco calendar;
- Regarding use of Arco instruments by band members outside of Arco practice and gigs, the committee agrees that it is okay as long as instruments are used (a) for personal development and not for profit; or (b) at an event in which any Arco member is welcome to participate;

Meeting concluded at: 22:37