

- **Agenda for Arco Committee meeting**

7 June 2016

Present: Hester , Axel, Celine, Katie, Berta, Duncan, Martin, Chris

Apologies: Kate, Hannah

Host: Hester

1) ROMP – Approved

2) Matters Arising – incorporated in points below

3) Recent Events/Gigs

1st May Strawberry Sunday. (Celine and Chris managed) Better with fewer longer sets, one noise complaint, but had no problems as we managed and moved.

6th May David McCay's funeral (Duncan) Received really well. Leaders led really well.

15th May - Stretham Festival (Steve D) Enjoyed again, but no parade this year but played 2 static sets – short, and not much of an audience. Less busy than last year – will ask for later slot next year

4th June Strawberry Fair (Chris and Celine). Shorter parade route but stewarding not good, people trying to get into the parade, and static set was stage-crashed. Enjoyed but everyone very tired after parade! Chris will email parade organisers about the stewarding. Costumes AMAZING!

4) Upcoming Events

12th June Summer Celebration, Grantchester. Gig manager: Eimear

25th June Chatteris Midsummer Festival. Ahu gig managing

9th July Fulbourn Primary Summer camp. Gig manager: Kate

14th July Rio Olympics, Histon. Gig manager: Hester. Colin to take drums.

16th July Liverpool Carnival.

21st July – 24th July Secret Garden Party (**see separate point below**)

29th-31st July Barefoot festival. Asnat organising..

6th August Wells Carnival - Hester and Chris organising. Camping booked

13th August - East Anglia Children's Hospice Charity, Ely cathedral.

27th August - Poton Big Weekend

2-4th Sept, Lodestar. Asnat gig managing.

Bridge The Gap - organisers have not been in touch.

24th September – Murray Edwards have asked for us again!

October – Nick Barnes suggested a Day of the Dead festival.

5th November Addenbrookes Fireworks

3rd Dec Mill Road Winter Fair. Have been asked to do opening parade. Duncan to ask if we can use the Baptist church as a base.

5) Secret Garden Party

35 tickets (retail price £192 each). The tickets for SGP have sold out, and so we can't buy any excess tickets. We need to have a balanced band, and so we will make sure that there are tickets to cover all drums as a minimum. We need to apply conditions which will be:

Email leaders first as a priority.

People need to have attended 4 rehearsals and 2 gigs between the beginning of May and the end of July

You have to be a member of Arco Iris

You need to commit to playing all 3 sets over the weekend (including the Friday morning set).

Duncan to email round with the conditions, stating that there are a finite number of tickets and that when the tickets are gone they're gone.

6) Barefoot Festival

May have to cancel, Hester to email Asnat and discuss.

7) Instruments:

New skins – these have been bought (and lost). Need to find these.

New low surdo – purchased and painted, but one rod lost. Need to find a replacement

Need high surdos (18") to be replaced

Surdo stands – cheapest are £50 per surdo. Will purchase 2 and see how things go.

Selling old drums – these have been photographed and will be put on ebay with a £20 reserve.

Maintenance and repair of instruments for practise – need to tell people, but there are caixa strings that need to be replaced and a broken hep which need fixing.

Sourcing drums and sticks – shop around? People annoyed at JP stickers, but Martin is shopping around and getting what's cheapest.

Email sent re: booking out instruments, but people still aren't recording things as being back in. To be announced as a reminder at practise.

Massive thanks to the drum painting team, as all our shiny painted drums are looking beautiful.

8) Emails etc

Still having issues getting emails to people. Axel was to start (with help) transferring people to a google email address – is this happening? Started to happen but will take a long time to fix. Can switch to another email server and see if that works, so will look into doing this. If it doesn't work will switch back, but the current instruction doesn't appear to be working.

Need to know how to send emails as Chair, MC etc – Axel will sort a tutorial and email this round.

Have had queries re: new website mentioned at AGM – any updates? This is close to being ready, and it looks great. Axel has given the address of the website and there are some tweaks needed (and we definitely need to remove some of the photos, some of which are personal).

Can we start emailing the band re: when minutes of previous meetings are on the website? Axel will start doing this.

9) Workshops – external and internal.

Early Wednesday workshops – Chris to get in touch with people who are going to be leading the workshops, and then we will arrange for the extra hour.

External workshop for Sept / Oct? – Will look into possible teachers and pricing for these.

Email re: drum reimbursement still needs to be sent when can be issued from the Chair.

10) Leaders

Chris to send an email to band.

11) Attendance at practise

Hester to email to remind people to arrive on time

Committee members to attend practise more regularly? This is difficult, but there are always committee members about and they can relay things to the committee, or else email with any issues.

12) Misc

Celine to buy more t-shirts

Celine to set up a t-shirt modifying workshop as there has been some interest

Chris – still working on poster

13) AOB

Day of the dead party still hasn't been looked into.

Meeting adjourned at: 22:07