

Chairman's Report.

It is encouraging to find ourselves in happier circumstances than at our last Meeting. For much of the past year we have been in lockdown and the Trustees have held meetings at a distance or on line. Likewise, when coffee mornings have had to be cancelled, cakes have been available to collect on the second Saturday of the month.

The Hall started to open again in August, with the first coffee morning and gradually our old friends the Bowls Club and Susan Clarke's two music groups met again. Sadly we have said goodbye to our friends in the Accordion Club which has been wound up, but remember with gratitude their contribution to entertainment in the village for many years.

The Christmas Coffee Morning was a great success. Jen Oliver had assembled an impressive hamper and several other prizes. Heartfelt thanks to Jen and all who contributed to the prizes. Colin Gough sent further copies of his book on the Church in Shilbottle and Newton on the Moor which had proved so popular in September. We had an interesting variety of stalls offering festive wreaths, decorative glass, Christmas cards and other seasonal items. Thank you to you all who contributed so much to the success of the morning and to Moles Agricultural Supplies who once again donated the Christmas tree outside the Hall.

On Christmas Eve the traditional Dressing of the Crib took place with clergy from St James, Shilbottle.

Sadly, in November Storm Arwen was unleashed upon the village causing distressing damage to many properties. Thankfully the Hall was spared.

I now turn to some housekeeping matters.

The Trustees have decided to start redecoration of the Hall in stages, commencing with the Reading Room. The front door has been replaced and painted and Dudley Williams sourced the splendid urns which now stand beside the door. A new sound system has been ordered for the Hall.

The Trustees are to present The Kate Ferguson Cup to the Swarland Show in memory of our former Chair so do go along and compete for the best lemon drizzle cake.

Importantly the defibrillator is situated beside the hall door and is a vital asset to the community.

The Trustees have worked very hard during the past year and I wish to thank them all: Judy Williams, our Treasurer who steers our finances so efficiently: to Diane Williams a true all rounder who makes beautiful cakes: Alison Cowen who has done so much to improving the appearance of the Hall, researches our history and produces the Jubilee Hall website for our friends : to Dudley Williams and Greg Anderson for oversight of improvements and day to day maintenance, especially Greg's on-going battle with the dishwasher.

There are other friends and helpers who deserve thanks, Vivien Boulton who is always willing to help out in so many ways; and Jen and John Oliver. Jen makes a huge contribution and seems to have a never ending supply of a wide variety of scones, likewise John with his plants. Stephen Gallico who has been of immense help to us on legal matters in our endeavours to update our Constitution and on Charity Commission matters. John Cowen has been of considerable help to us in the refurbishment of the Hall; my thanks to you all.

We are a small band and some of us have been connected with the Hall for many years. We do need more help, either by becoming a Trustee or by supporting events in this beautiful Hall. Please, if you would like to help or find out more about the work of the Trustees, speak to one of us, our contact numbers can be found on the notice board.

Finally, Alison and Stephen Gallico will be leaving us in the summer to go to a new home. In the few years they have been here they have worked tirelessly for our Committee. Alison has been an amazing secretary, her knowledge has never ceased to astonish me and she has taken on other roles during her time with us with great enthusiasm and efficiency. I am sure I represent all the Trustees in saying we will miss them, wish them well in their new home and hope they will not forget us.

Liz Rixon

June 2022

Income	£	Expenditures	£
Balance carried forward:	12993.12	Electricity	357.39
Bake sales/coffee mornings	2480.00	Gas	659.69
Hall Hire	1140.00	Water	109.59
Donations	155.00	Music licence	48.72
NCC Grant	1280.00	New front door	1946.84
Parish Council Grant	558.03	New urn	113.34
		Curtain cleaning	225.00
		Electrical work	170.40
		Service for heating	999.10
		Insurance	821.30
		Varnish for floor	85.08
		PAT testing	30.00
		Items for dishwasher	203.05
		Cleaner	215.00
		Supplies and sundries	482.08
		NNVHC Membership	10.00
Total:	£ 18606.15	Total:	£ 6476.58

Balance as of March 31st, 2022 = £12,129.57

Comprising: Lloyds TSB Account = £12,068.44
Cash in Hand = £61.13

Treasurer: - Judith Williams

Auditor: - Joan Leslie