

MINUTE of MEETING of  
ENTERTAINMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE of  
S.P.T.A.held at 25 SOUTH METHVEN  
STREET, PERTH at 11.30 a.m. on  
TUESDAY, 24th MARCH, 1998.

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PRESENT: Messrs. C. Dickie, G. Lothian and J. MacFarlane, along with Mr. R.D. Hunter, the Secretary.

CHAIRMAN: The Convener of the Sub-Committee, Mr. Colin Dickie occupied the Chair.

APOLOGIES: Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Messrs. A.B. Pullar, A.M. Beattie and D. Harley.

ANNUAL DINNER AND DANCE: It was noted that there were problems with Huntingtower Hotel in connection with the 1997 Dance. These problems involved (a) difficulty in the Band obtaining suitable seating; (b) the lights and ballroom windows and doors being thrown open at 1.00 a.m. and (c) a delay in the starting time of the meal. It was agreed to discuss these problems with the Hotel when making the arrangements for the 1998 Dance.

Mr. Dickie suggested that although the Dance had been again successful the time had now come for a change of format. In this connection it was agreed that a different Band should be engaged. With a view to seeking a suitable alternative Band Colin Dickie is to speak to Robbie Shepherd who lives close to him in Aberdeen and R.D.H. is to speak to the Huntingtower Hotel.

It was also agreed to change the format for the raffle. This could possibly involve a much greater proportion of the money raised from ticket sales being paid back in prizes. It was agreed to discuss this further prior to the 1998 Dance.

It was agreed to consider alternative venues for the Dance for 1999 and, in particular, the millennium in the year 2000. Mr. Hunter agreed to raise this matter with Council at its next meeting.

Mr. Dickie requested that he be replaced as an organiser of the Dance for the reason that he was fairly remote from Perth and also that he is likely to be on holiday during the period before the Dance. It was agreed that Mr. Hunter would speak to Mr. Smillie to see if somebody local could be co-opted to organise the Dance with Mr. Smillie. Mr. MacFarlane confirmed that he would be willing to be co-opted but also suggested consideration be given to Andrew Lamont of Beesons.

ANNUAL GOLF OUTING: It was confirmed that the current year's Golf Outing was booked for Forfar Golf Course on 21st May. It was agreed to price the tickets at £39.00 per person (£16.00 for Forfar Golf Club Members). Mr. Hunter was instructed to issue the usual letter to Members issuing the booking form.

ENGRAVING OF TROPHIES: Mr. MacFarlane pointed out that the engraving in particular of the Curling Trophy was quite expensive and suggested that the engraving of Trophies should be an expense of the function rather than being left to the person who received the Trophy. It was agreed to take no further action in the meantime regarding this suggestion.