Golcar Lily Day - Praise and Shout Meeting Minutes

13th June 2022

Attendees: Sue Starr, Louise Houlton, Philip Houlton, Nathan Ball, John Topham, Nore Beaumont, Vicky Baker, Hayden Baker, Soo Ellis, Marion Hall.

Apologies: Susan Whitwam, Sue Stains, Simon Crook, Craig Ellis, Mark Evans, Sara Evans.

Sue Starr started the meeting with reports. Mentioned if anybody at the meeting wanted to have a more in depth feedback, they could write it down and send it to Louise to be sent out with other reports.

Sue thanked everyone for turning out for the day in general and "getting it done". She would like to extend a special mention to Bradley Ellis who drove past in the morning and stopped to ask if she needed any help. Sue also mentioned the 33rd Regiment for escorting the Mayor through Town End and John Danbury for the efforts he put into announcing all day.

Sue also mentioned the "sensible" things done for the day which was to hire the tables and chairs for the village as well as the great kindness shown by Purple Dog for providing the first aid for the event.

Problems that arose – We are in need of more volunteers to help out on the day around the village, the museum struggled because most people involved there are also involved around the village and so attentions were split. The BBQ needs a bin next to it for people to dispose of rubbish straight away and the facepainting in the library needing to close earlier than she expected it to. – all things that need to be discussed for next year's event.

Mark Evans sent a report in (attached to the email). He mentions the good things – Sara knitting/ knitted cakes, Procession and SWEAT, Samba band, Re-enactors and Scouts. He also mentions some things to think about for next year – getting the local football/cricket clubs involved a little more and the potential for more food venues/ vegetarian options, a new booking form on the website and the promotions for the stalls.

Philip mentioned that the re-enactors had a great day. Some groups have managed to recruit new members on the day and the payment in beer was greatly appreciated afterwards.

Nathan mentioned the numerous messages from the re-enactor groups stating their interest for the event next year to be able to return and perform again. He also mentioned moving the football kick off on Sunday to either later on or not at all on the field to allow for more time for packing down and sorting out. He has stated that he would be happy to organise the groups again next year if wanted.

John – Colne Valley Lions – willing to join in next year. The event was a great success and had a wonderful atmosphere. Highlight was the Lancaster Bomber.

Vicky – Brilliant day – as she ran 3 stalls, hence the need for more volunteers. Improvement suggestion – the bottle stall ran out really quickly, suggest tweaking the "winnings" so that not everybody will walk away with a prize straight away as some people were coming away from the stall with 3/ 4 bottles from just one play.

Nore – Music was brilliant, Slaithwaite band were excellent. Considerations for next year – a shelter to be put outside so that we could have a band outside the library perhaps. (Drop by Gazebo). Nore has also been contacted by an Indian Street Food Van as a potential vendor for next year. A wish for next year – more venues to have music in.

Soo – Activities on the field went down really well. The bar was well positioned this year and people seemed to enjoy that aspect. The issue on the day (and one that could not be avoided) was the toilets in the building backing up and causing a massive queue. Potential for next year to hire some toilets if no extra venues can be found to reduce the stress on the centre. Soo also mentioned the need for a bigger skip/ or something in place for the amount of waste generated on the day. The scout bins were full, as was the skip and some people took rubbish home to put in their own bins so this needs looking at for next year. Soo also mentioned the potential for tents to be needed on Jubilee Square next year.

Marion – Issue on the day were the cars that continued to be parked on the square, but this eventually got sorted. The stall holders had a lovely day and nobody has complained about the £20 deposit for the disposal of rubbish. We had one stall holder that pulled out on the Thursday but this was quickly sorted by a reserve. Total money raised on the day - £150 from the Ice Cream, £250 from the activities on the field and £200 from Havelli.

Louise – nothing much more to add. The diary fundraising on the day went well but needed to be pushed a little more. Will sort the winnings out and then hand the rest of the money raised to Marion for the accounts. Also mentioned starting the fundraising for next year as this year we were a little stretched and it would be great to keep momentum from this years great event going to raise more money for next year.

Fundraising – John mentioned the "spare change" jars in local businesses as a potential. Nathan suggested the re-enactors to allow a "dress-up and photo" next year and Louise a potential for Have a go archery if the scouts are no longer doing the archery on the field.

Setting a date to bring ideas for fundraising and a diary – **11**th July 2022, Commercial Pub, 7:30pm.

Also a date set for the AGM: 12th September 2022, St. John's, 7:30pm.