

**St Margaret's Parish Men's Group****Minutes of Meeting – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 .**

**Present:** Tom Scott (Chair), John McIllduff (Treasurer), Pete Seath, Ken Ritchie, Bob Creaney , Frannie McNicoll, Martin McNicoll.

**Apologies for absence:** George Connolly Martin Wilkinson, Peter Dunn, Cameron Hogg.

**Minutes** of the meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> August 2024 accepted as correct and can be posted on parish website

**Finance.** Current balance is £383.11 after £12 deducted for Pizzas.

**Social activities.****Since the last meeting.**

- 13<sup>th</sup> August we had our Men's Group night out at Incontri after our meeting in the Commercial. 15 members attended.
- 25<sup>th</sup> August we had a social walk round Loch Leven followed by light lunch at the lodges. 6 attended.
- Annual golf outing – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September at Pitreavie. Results – 12 played. Paul Healey won the PGA trophy. It was a fine day and everyone got a prize.

**Planned activities.**

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September at Playhouse, Edinburgh, matinee performance of *Home from Away*. 28 people have booked on this. The performance will be followed by a pre-booked meal at Mamma Roma.
- The One World Breakfast after 0930 mass on 13<sup>th</sup> October is to be sponsored by the Men's Group to help publicise the Group's activities. Minimum cost of providing the breakfast is £100. We will supplement this £150 donation making it a total of £250. The breakfast will be publicised in the Parish Newsletter for two weeks before with a large advert. Handouts will be printed to distribute to Parishioners. We will make a presentation at the breakfast on the Men's Group activities.

**Proposed Activities.**

- Visit to Kinghorn lifeboat station. This will probably be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September. J. Mc. will check with M.P. and confirm time before circulating an email.
- Visit to the Royal Yacht Britannia . Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October. A self-guided tour costs £19.50 per person and is estimated to take about 1hr 30. We'll book the tour for 11:30 and a meal for about 13:30 at one of the restaurants nearby. T. S. circulated an email.
- DAFC Match and meal. The cost of this is £80 which is thought to be too much. As an alternative Frannie has a contact who may be able to arrange a stadium tour.
- Annual Dinner with Partners will be either Friday 8<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> November at Garvock House. T. S. will circulate an email.
- St Andrew's Night in the Crypt will be on Sat 30<sup>th</sup> November in the Crypt. It will follow the usual format with our own musicians. Final planning will be done at our next meeting.
- Visit to Perth Museum, Stone of Destiny exhibition. Deferred to 2025.
- St Margaret's themed tour of Hungary on hold. Possibly May / June 2025. F. McN will gather some proposals for sites to visit for our next meeting.
- Children's Christmas Party. J.M. Will discuss with Fr. Syriac. We will discuss this with the Children's Liturgy Group.

**AOB.** A thank you card was received from Elaine McCormack for the flowers.

**Next Meeting:** Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October in the Crypt.