

Report for Stow Parish Annual Meeting 14th May 2018

Stow Fun Raisers – 2017/18

The aim of the Stow Fun Raisers is to foster and extend the strong sense of community spirit in Stow by organising fun events, which will appeal to all age groups and backgrounds represented in the village population. Money raised at these events should benefit the local community primarily with any surplus going to local charities or individual good causes or such other charitable purposes as the committee should from time to time decide.

We meet several times throughout the year and organise various events which we publicise through the Parish Newsletter, Sturton Facebook page, on our blog: <https://stowfunraisers.wordpress.com> and on the A board. In September we also did a newsletter for all households in the village letting them know about events and asking for ideas. Our events have generally proved popular both with villagers and those from nearby villages.

During 2017 and in the early part of 2018 Stow Fun Raisers have (or will have) facilitated the following events for the community:

- Sunday 5th February 2017 - Quiz Night at the Cross Keys
- Sunday 2nd April - Village Litter Pick
- Sunday 23rd April - “Oxford Concert Party” (Live and Local previously known as Lincolnshire Rural and Community Touring) at Sturton Village Hall

- Sunday 18th June - Annual Bike Ride and BBQ on the Village Green
- Sunday 24th September - Village Litter Pick
- Sunday 1st October - “A child’s Life in the Hull Blitz” a Talk Night with Lois Fenn organized jointly with Sturton and Stow History Society at Sturton Village Hall

- Sunday 22nd October - “The Mile Roses” (Live and Local) at Sturton Village Hall
- December - Christmas Tree purchased on behalf of the Parish Council and decorated
- Thursday 21st December - Carol Singing round the Christmas Tree

- Sunday 28th February 2018 - Quiz Night at the Cross Keys
- Sunday 12th April - Village Litter Pick
- Sunday 13th May - Annual BBQ and Bike Ride

We are also planning a Village Garage Sale for Sunday 12th August and thinking of a Talk Night for autumn plus a further Live and Local event as well as putting up the Christmas Tree and arranging carol singing as usual.

We have made a donation to Lindap (www.lindap.co.uk) and the collection at the carol singing went to St Barnabas as usual.

Pamela Duncan
Secretary, Stow Fun Raisers
7th April 2018