

K&F AGM 6<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Malcolm Offord reported there had been 34 sessions in a 3-on 1-off pattern this year. There could have been more but this avoids growing a weary team.

Our valuable colleagues are Fairtrade who do a steady trade ploughing profits back into third world countries; Arts and Crafts proceeds to the Hospice; Romanian Gipsy wares now branching out into African goods and Broom Street Bookstall. Occasional visits by Trefoil, Lifeboats to count their collections, Hospice re Will making, Go Start add to K&F interest.

K&F no longer hold books from St Andrews Bookshop but Broom St Bookshop will place any orders required. Grateful thanks to everyone involved.

The prayer side has a steady flow of requests which are taken to the Saturday morning Prayer Breakfast and occasionally we are asked to pray there and then for specific needs. A steady amount of gospels and prayer prompts are taken. Malcolm drew attention to the silver book alongside the candles and reminded everyone to jot down particular conversations or events so we can all share them if not involved. We have altered the layout in St Peter's slightly to improve interest.

The secondhand library has proved very popular.

Malcolm thanked all those involved in setting up before K&F particularly Martin & Jill.

Paul Mizen our resident musician is due to leave Sudbury soon after the end of September and a replacement musician is required. Our visitors appreciate live music and Paul has been an inspiration to all of us. He will be sorely missed. It was agreed to give him a thank you gift and a painting/print of St Peter's was suggested.

An increasing number of Young Mums come regularly and Malcolm asked that we pray for and work at establishing a closer relationship with them.

Our finances are doing well having taken £270 last week! After paying our expenses we have made a profit of £2,800, we turned over £7,169.00 this last year. This is tithed to the Dorcas Fund (a CTiS&D fund for needy folk in Sudbury) and the surplus money helps Churches Together to cover the cost of extra events in town. We bought one of our visitors a wheelchair when his broke during the year.

Thanks were expressed to Ken Riches and Peter Heard for dealing with the finances – a sterling job! Thanks were also given to Judith for the excellent running of the catering side (Judith explained that she is answerable to Babergh having filled in and signed a 10 page Health & Safety form) Babergh had done a random check recently and we passed! But we must keep up the high standards. We are providing catering help again for Churches Historic Cycle Ride and Christmas Tree Festival.

Judith and Malcolm Offord were re-elected as Manager and Chair but said they will stand down next September.