

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held at the Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton, on
Sunday 4th January 1976

Present Mr R Saunders Mr B. Gover
Mr F Godwin Mrs J Taylor
Mrs I Humphries Mr A Jordan
Mr J Gascoigne Mr J Lawrence

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters Arising

Mr Gover said that Mr Packer, from the Morris Club, was still very ill so the question of the Courage bottles from the collection had not been raised with him. It was agreed that this item should be left until Mr Packer was fully recovered.

The Pumpkin Bumpkin Show held on December 10th raised the sum of £39.80 and the committee agreed it had been a success.

Mrs Humphries said she was not certain of the exact figure but the Doll and Cradle Raffle had raised between £10 and £11. The Secretary was asked to write thank you letters to Deborah Cheesman and Betty Craddock.

Mr Saunders said that, as agreed, he had sent a telegram of congratulations to Pam Ayres. The charge for the telegram was £3.15 but Mr Saunders felt that a mistake had been made and he intended to query the price with the Postmaster.

Mrs Taylor read a draft of the 1975 balance sheet which was unanimously agreed. Mrs Taylor said copies would be made available at the A.G.M.

After discussion it was agreed that the past practice of each committee running down activities at the approach of each A.G.M. should be discouraged and events could, and should, be planned ahead without interruption.

M^r Humphries agreed to make a provisional booking of
the Wittfall for a Jumble Sale in February
~~for further business~~

M^r Jack Lawrence said that, as a Senior
Citizen himself, he would like to thank the committee
for the hard work put in during 1975.

No further business Meeting closed 9-10 pm

Date of A.C.M. Sunday 18th January
in the Cotswold Grill Hotel, at 8-00 pm

R. B. Saunders

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB
Annual General Meeting held on Sunday 14th January
at the Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton.

10 members present.

Minutes of last Annual General Meeting read and agreed.

Agenda: Chairmans Report.
Treasurers Report.
Correspondence and Motions.
Election of committee 1976

Chairmans Report.

M^r Saunders congratulated the retiring committee on their efforts during 1975. He said the club had become known over a wide area. He thanked the people of Bampton and surrounding villages for their help, many people had travelled considerable distances and given valuable time for the club. M^r Saunders said that thanks were also due to M^r Passmore who, throughout the year, had provided the committee with meeting rooms. He concluded by expressing pride in being a member of the club committee.

Treasurers Report:-

M^{rs} Taylor gave everyone present a fully detailed statement of receipts and expenditure for the year ending 31st December 1975. She said that overall the money raised was only £37.90 less than last years record figure. This, she felt, said a great deal for the generosity of the clubs supporters in a year when financial conditions generally became so difficult.

Correspondence and Motions:

Correspondence :- Nil.

M^r Gavis proposed that in 1976, the club should run a Junior competition. Considerable discussion took place on this proposal, M^{rs} G. Taylor supported the suggestion and said he felt the upper age limit should be 15 years of age. M^r Gaswinge felt there was no way of preventing parents growing pumpkins and entering them for their children. This was generally agreed but it was felt that in any competition for children this could be a problem and there was no real ^{way} answer to prevent it.

It was agreed by a vote of 9 for and 1 against that :-
This club will run a competition for junior members aged up to 15 years and that membership fee will be 10p for junior members and 20p for adults.

Election of Officers and Committee for 1976.

President: It was unanimously agreed that Countess Munster would be asked to remain as club President.

Vice President M^r J. Gaswinge

Chairman: - M^r R. Saunders and M^r F. Godwin were both proposed and seconded on being put to the vote M^r Saunders received 5 votes, M^r Godwin 4 votes, 1 abstention. M^r Saunders took the chair.

^{ELECTED.}
Vice Chairman: M^r F. Godwin.
Treasurer M^{rs} J. Taylor
Secretary M^r B. Goveas

Committee: M^r D. Passmore
M^r A. Jordan
M^r J. Lawrence
M^{rs} I. Humphries.

No Further Business Meeting closed 9.00 pm.

R. A. Saunders.

Dampton Pumpkin Club

Minutes of meeting held at 9.00 pm on Sunday 18th January 1976.
at the Cotswold Grill Hotel, Dampton.

Present: M^r J. Gascoigne M^r R. Saunders
M^r F. Godwin M^{rs} J. Taylor
M^r B. Gories (M^r D. Passmore apologises)
M^r A. Jordan M^r J. Lawrence
M^{rs} I. Humphries.

The chairman said this meeting had been called immediately at the closing of the A.G.M. because two events discussed prior to the A.G.M. were now very near and, although this meeting must be brief, certain arrangements ~~must~~ ^{should} be agreed now.

M^{rs} Humphries said that the W.I. Hall was booked for Saturday 14th February for a Jumble Sale. M^r Saunders agreed to draft a poster asking for donations of white elephant and Tombola items. M^r Gories said he would produce posters. It was felt that other matters were less pressing and could be left until the next meeting.

M^r Gories asked permission to organise a dance on the evening before the Jumble Sale. This was agreed.

No further Business. Meeting Closed 9.15 pm.
Date of next meeting
Sunday 8th Feb at 8 pm.

R. B. Saunders

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 8th February 1976 at the
Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton.

Present Mr R. Saunders. Mr B. Gories. Mr F. Godwin. Mr A. Jordan.
Mrs I. Humphries. Mrs J. Taylor. Mr D. Passmore. Mr J. Gascoigne.
Mr J. Lawrence

Minutes of meetings held on January 4th and 18th read and agreed.

Matters arising
Mr Packer of the Morris Clown had still not been contacted regarding the bottle collection.

Mr Saunders said there had been a mistake in the price charged for a telegram to Pam Ayres. The correct price being £2.45.

Mrs Humphries said she had booked the W.I. Hall from 9.30 am on Saturday 14th Feb for the Jumble Sale. Mr Jordan agreed to take the admission fees, Mr Gories would run a bottle stall and Mrs Humphries the Tombola. Mrs Taylor said she would run the raffle and ask her daughter to look after the White Elephant stall. Mrs Taylor also agreed to see Mr Wheeler about serving teas. Mrs Humphries said she would organise help with the Jumble. Other arrangements could be made on the day.

The secretary said he had booked a group known as Felix Ash for the Dance on 13th February. Mr Passmore had already obtained the licence for the bar.

It was reported that the Countess Munster had accepted the post of President for 1976.

The secretary had received a letter from Suttons store offering the same discount terms as last year. The committee were pleased to accept and thanked Mr Saunders for his kind offer.

Mr Saunders said he had now received 1^{lb} of Pumpkin seed direct from Suttons but, as yet, he did not know the cost.

The membership cards had been ordered and the printer had promised them for the Wednesday following the meeting.

Mr Passmore said he felt that Cartston Social Centre should be booked now for the Clubs Sports Night in October or November. This was agreed and a sub-committee consisting of Mr D. Passmore, Mr Godwin and Mr Gories was formed to organise the sports.

Mr Godwin said that Mr Beckley had suggested a dance,

to be held at the Fire Station, and run jointly by the Fire Station and Pumpkin Club. The committee were pleased to agree with the suggestion. Mr Godwin was asked to follow it through on the clubs behalf.

No Further Business

Meeting Closed 9.10 pm

→ Date of next meeting Sunday 29th Feb.

R. B. Sanders

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 29th February 1976 at
The Colswold Grill Hotel, Bampton.

Present: Mr R. Saunders Mr B. Govier Mr A. Jordan
Mrs I. Humphries Mrs J. Taylor Mr F. Godwin
Mr J. Gascoigne Mr J. Lawrence Mr D. Passmore.

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters arising

The secretary said he would contact Mr D. Packer about the bottle collection before the next meeting.

The treasurer, Mrs J. Taylor, said that the Jumble sale held on Saturday 14th February had made a profit of £85.94 and the Dance on Friday 13th February made £30.10. Total funds to date now stood at £594.20.

Mr Saunders said he still did not know the price of the pumpkin seeds. The membership cards were available and seeds and cards were distributed among the committee.

The Sports Night sub committee reported that they were about to make a firm booking for Easterton Social Centre. The "Spool" entry forms were already out and the Billiards, Darts and Aunt Sally forms would be printed as soon as the date of Finals Night was known.

Mr Godwin said that the Joint Fire Station/Pumpkin Club Dance had been discussed at the last Foremen's meeting but due to certain difficulties within the Service it had been decided that the dance should be postponed for the time being.

Mr Govier was given leave to organise a Disco and Junior Disco.

It was agreed that the Easter Bonnet Competition would be held at 6.00 pm on Saturday 17th April. Judging would be on the Forecourt of the Jubilee Inn Bampton. There would be 4 classes, Ladies, Men, Children up to 6 years and children 6-12 years. Judges Combs, Munster, Kay, Praltry and, hopefully someone from Radio Oxford. Mr D. Macdonald would be asked to M.C.

Mr Passmore said he would run an Easter Draw on the same lines as last year. Prizes to come from stamps and cigarette coupons.

The secretary was asked to write to Countess Munster about a coffee morning.

It was agreed that the secretary would purchase 2 punchboards to be run for the club.

Mr Gavier was asked to register under the Lotteries act and obtain a street collection license for the Easter Bonnet Competition.

No Further Business
Meeting Closed at 9.20.

Date of next meeting Sunday 28th March.

J Gavier

The secretary said he had been approached by the Bampton Gun Club to ask the Pumpkin Club if they would consider organising a Joint Open Clay Pigeon Shoot.

The Bampton Football Club had given ~~the~~ permission for the shoot to be held on their ground.

The committee agreed that, providing the question of insurance could be sorted out the shoot would go ahead. Mr J. Lawrence would join any formal talks with the Gun Club to confirm the arrangements.

The sum of £10 was received from the Speedwell Cleaners. The Secretary was asked to write a letter of thanks.

No further Business meeting closed 9-00 pm.

Date of next meeting
~~Thursday~~
Sunday 9th May.

R. B. Saunders.

Bampton Pumpkin Club.
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday ~~22nd~~ 25th April 1976 at the Cotswold Grill.

Present: Mr B. Givier, Mr J. Taylor, Mr I. Humphries
Mr A. Jordan, Mr J. Gascoigne, Mr D. Passmore.
Apologies received from Mr R. Saunders.

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman Mr Gascoigne was asked to take the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters Arising. The secretary reported that the Disco had made a net profit of £44.39½. Members of the committee said they had already been asked by youngsters when the next Disco would be and Mr Givier was given leave to organise it before the evenings became too light.

Arrangements for the Easter Bonnet Competition were under way with letters sent to local organisations and posters displayed. The question of prizes would be decided on the day although it was agreed that chocolate should be given to all children taking part.

Mr Passmore said the board for the Easter Draw was on display in the Bar. First prize a continental quilt second prize a travel alarm.

The Countess Munster had kindly agreed to a coffee morning at the Manor House. She did, however, think it would be better to wait until the garden flowers were in bloom. It was agreed that all arrangements would be left to Mr Humphries and Mr Taylor.

Mr Givier said he had received the two punch boards ordered by the club. One already sold had more than covered the cost of both boards but had now been withdrawn from sale as all the major prizes had been won. Mr J. Gascoigne said he would sell the chances of the second board.

The secretary said he had re-registered under the Gaming and Lotteries act. Application had also been made for a street collection permit on April 17th. Although the council had given verbal consent the permit had not yet been received.

A representative from the club had been invited to attend the Community Fete meeting on 12th April. It was agreed that Mr Givier would attend and would query the payment of 10% to the British Legion.

Mr Gascoigne suggested that time to collect used posted stamps should be placed in the village this was agreed.

No Further Business

R. P. Saunders.

Meeting Closed 9:00 pm.

Date of next meeting April 25th

Bampton Pumpkin Club.
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 28th March at the
Cotswold Grill Hotel.

Present. Mr A Jordan Mr J. Lawrence Mr B. Gouier
Mrs J. Taylor Mrs I. Humphries Mr R. Saunders.
Mr J. Gascoigne

Apologies received from Mr D. Passmore.

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters Arising

The secretary said that the Disco booking for May 7th had now been confirmed. Mrs Humphries and Mrs Taylor said they would attend to sell crisps and cakes.

Mrs Taylor said that the Easter Bonnet competition had raised £25.00 from the street collection and a further £9.90 from a raffle held in the Cotswold Grill.

Mrs Humphries reported that, with Mrs Taylor, she had spoken to the Countess Munster who had agreed to a coffee morning being held at the Manor House in June. Details were left for Mrs Humphries and Mrs Taylor to finalise.

Mr Gouier said that the Punch Cards purchased by the club had raised a small sum of money but on the whole were not very successful. It was agreed the club would try to obtain a further supply of the "break open" cards.

The secretary reported on the Community Fête meeting he had attended the previous week. After discussion a vote was taken on the proposal.

"The Pumpkin Club should not take part in this year's British Legion Fête"

The proposal was carried For 3. Against 1
Abstention. 2

The committee agreed that Mr Gascoigne should place two or three boxes throughout the village for the collection of used postage stamps. The boxes were not yet available.

It was agreed that, providing Mr Passmore had no objections, a Mine Fête and Jumble Sale would be held at the Cotswold Grill on Saturday 25th May.

Empty bottles taken to Dutton's store had raised the sum of £2.15 for club funds.

Bampton Pumpkin Club.
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 9th May at the Cotswold Grill

Present Mr J. Gascoigne Mr J. Lawrence. Mrs J. Taylor
Mrs I. Humphries Mr R. Saunders Mr B. Gories
Mr A. Jordan.

Apostrophes received from Mr F. Godwin or Mr D. Passmore.

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters arising.

It was reported that the Discs had been very successful and had raised the sum of £47.51². After discussion it was agreed that the club would run another Discs in early June. It was also agreed that, in order to prevent children leaving the Junior Discs, sweets, chewing gum and a larger assortment of crisps would be sold in the hall.

Mrs Taylor and Mrs Humphries said that the Coffee Morning at the Manor House was now arranged for Wednesday 23rd June from 10.00 am to noon. Mr Lawrence and Mr Gascoigne said they would be available to help if required. Mr Charlie Gories had donated a bottle of whisky as a raffle prize. Details of arrangements would be discussed nearer the date.

The secretary said that 'Jacey Printers' now produced a new 'Break Open' fund raising card. It was agreed that no more 'punch cards' would be purchased but the new cards should be tried by sending for one jar.

Mr Gories said he had been contacted by Mr Quirk who wanted to know if the Pumpkin Club would, after all, be taking part in the Community Fete. The answer was, of course, no but on behalf of the committee he had wished every other organisation a successful day.

The boxes for collecting used postage stamps still not available.

The secretary said the insurance for the Open Clay Pigeon Shoot was so expensive as to make the event a non-starter. It was agreed that, on the Gun Club's suggestion, the shoot would be run in their name only with assistance from the Pumpkin Club and that 50% of takings would be donated to the club.

It was agreed that the stalls at this year's Jumble Sale and Mine-Fete would be the same as last year. The sale would begin at 2.30 pm and no charge would be made for admission. Mrs Humphries said she would obtain rails for

hanging clothing and help with the Jumble. Further details would be agreed at the next meeting.

It was agreed that, with Mr Passmore's permission, the usual Tea Stall would be run on Bank Holiday Monday. Again, the details to be discussed at next meeting.

Mr Gascoigne reminded the committee that just after Whitsun last year the club held a bottle collection and asked if the same would be carried out this year. It was agreed that the collection should take place about two weeks after the holiday.

The secretary said he had been contacted by an organisation similar to our own calling themselves The Oakleaf Club. This Club was based at a village in Lincolnshire and the members were suggesting an exchange visit with Pumpkin Club members. As the meeting was running late it was agreed to leave this item until the next meeting on 23rd May.

No Further Business
Meeting closed 9.30 pm

L. B. Saunders.

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held at the Eotswold Grill on Sunday 23rd May.

Present. Mr A. JORDAN Mr J. LAWRENCE Mr F. GODWIN.
Mr B. GOVIER Mr R. SAUNDERS Mr D. PASSMORE
Mrs I. HUMPHRIES

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

The secretary said he had not yet completed arrangements for another Disco but this would be done in the next two weeks.

It was agreed that the final arrangements for the Coffee Morning at the Manor House would be left until the next meeting. Mr Saunders said he would contact the Derby and Joan Club about the use of their crockery.

Mr Gascoigne said he had not sold all the chances on the one remaining Punch Card but he would try to use the other chances over the next few weeks. It was agreed that the Secretary should purchase one batch of a new type Break Open Card at the cost of £12.50.

The secretary said that the Gun Club had now made all the arrangements for the Open Shoot on 13th June but scores were required from the Pumpkin Club. Mr Godwin, Mr JORDAN, Mr GASCOIGNE, Mr SAUNDERS, Mr LAWRENCE, Mr PASSMORE and Mr GOVIER volunteered. The shoot will begin at 1.00 pm and last entries will be accepted at 4.30 pm.

Mrs Humphries said that she had been unable to find enough helpers to deal with the jumble at the Mini Fete. It was agreed that all committee members would try to get help for that day. Mr Govier would run a bottle stall. Mr Lawrence and Mr Gascoigne would run Aunt-Sally. Other details would be dealt with on the day.

The secretary said he had been approached by the secretary of a club, similar to our own, called the Oak Leaf Club from a village called Martin in Lincolnshire. This club wanted a closer relationship with us and were suggesting such things as an inter club competition and an exchange visit by members. It was agreed that the secretary should explore the possibilities but without committing the Pumpkin Club to anything at this stage.

It was reported that the clubs Sports knock outs were all going well.

after considerable discussion it was agreed not to run a
tea stall on Bank Holiday Monday.

No Further Business

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Date of next meeting Sunday 13th June

A. B. Saunders.

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB

Minutes of meeting held at the Cotswold Grill, Hotel on Sunday
11th July 1976

Present. Mr J. Lawrence Mrs I. Humphries Mr A. Jordan
 Mr D. Passmore Mr R. Saunders Mr B. Govier.

Apologies from Mrs J. Taylor and Mr J. Gascoigne

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

It was reported that the last Disco had been very successful and the secretary was given leave to organise another in the near future.

Mrs Humphries said that the Coffee Morning held at the Manor House raised £30.60 plus £7.50 in donations.

The secretary said that the clubs share of profits from the Clay Pigeon Shoot was £18.60. He confirmed that the final figure, after expenses, for the Mini Fete was £59.92.

Mr B. Govier was asked to produce bottle collection leaflets when the opportunity arose.

It was agreed, as an insurance against bad weather, that this year the Weigh-in should be held in the W.I. Hall and that Mr Chris Lewis of the Eagle Inn would be asked to run a bar. Mr Dave MacDonald would be asked to act as auctioneer.

The secretary would ask Pam Ayres to carry out the Weighmaster duties. First prize in Draw to be 100 ONE POUND NOTES.

The last peg board raised a further £4.05 and the Tramps Supper made £3.80

Being no further Business Meeting Closed 9-10 pm.

Date of next meeting Sunday August 1st

R. A. Saunders.

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB

Minutes of meeting held at 8.00 pm in the Cotswold Grill Hotel on Sunday 13th June.

Present:- M^r D. Passmore M^r J. Lawrence M^{rs} I. Humphries
M^{rs} J. Taylor M^r R. Saunders M^r B. Gories

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters arising

The secretary said he had booked the H-T Disco for Friday 25th June. M^{rs} Humphries was asked to confirm the provisional booking for the Hall. M^r Passmore said he would obtain the cokes, crisps and sweets for the Junior Disco.

The Chairman had received a letter from the Derby and Joan Club offering the use of their china, free of charge, for the Coffee Morning on June 28th. M^r Lawrence agreed to purchase the extra milk and deliver it to the Manor House. M^r Saunders would obtain coffee, sugar, biscuits and orange squash from the Cash and Carry. M^r Lawrence said he could supply teaspoons.

The secretary said he had purchased 12 books of cloak room tickets at a cost of £2. for use at future events.

It was reported that the Clay Pigeon Shoot, held with the Bampton Gun Club, had been successful and had made approx £20 for each club. An exact figure would be given at the next meeting.

Mini Fete profits were reported to be around £60, again an exact figure would be given at the next meeting.

M^{rs} Taylor asked for all membership fees and members names to be handed in at the next meeting.

No further Business

Meeting closed 9.15

Date of next meeting

Sunday 11th July
R. Saunders

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 1st August at the
Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton

Present M^r J. Lawrence. M^{rs} J. Taylor, M^{rs} I. Humphries
M^r J. Gascoigne M^r R. Saunders M^r B. Govier
M^r D. Passmore attended part time.

Minutes of last meeting were read and agreed.

The secretary said he had booked the "Nightmare" Disco for Friday 3rd September. Committee members agreed to help in the usual way. M^r Passmore would obtain crisps, cakes etc for the Junior Disco

M^r Govier said he had still not had time to produce bottle collection leaflets.

It was reported that M^r Chris Lewis from the Eagle said he was unable to cope with the Bar for this year's Weigh-in. M^r Passmore said he would be pleased to stand in. Miss Pam Ayres said she would be pleased to act as this year's Weighmistress if it did not clash with previous engagements, she would check with her agent and let the club know as soon as possible. The Sec said he had not yet seen Mr Dave Macdonald regarding the auctioneers job. Tickets for the Grand Draw were to hand and were distributed among committee members

M^r Passmore paid the sum of £31.50 to the treasurer. This was made up of entry fees for the billiard competitions as follows - Singles 12 entries @ 30p. Open Doubles 34 entries at 40p and Mixed Pairs 15 entries at 40p.

No Further Business
Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Date of next meeting Sunday 6th September

R. B. Saunders

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB

Minutes of meetings held on Sunday 19th Sept at the Cotswold Grill.

Present M^r R. Saunders M^r B. Gavis M^{rs} J. Taylor
M^r J. Lawrence M^r A. Jordan M^r J. Gascoigne
and M^{rs} I. Humphries

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters arising

The secretary said that a Disco known as "Zonda" had been provisionally booked and would be confirmed when suitable free dates at the hall were known.

M^r Saunders said that within a short time he had lost three of our local pensioners. He had sent floral tributes as agreed by the club.

M^r Gavis was given leave to order a further supply of headed note paper.

The "scourgers" leaflets for Weigh in night were to hand and it was agreed they would be distributed as follows.

M^r B. Gavis Council Houses.
M^{rs} I. Humphries The Pices. Poocher Close, Lavender Place, Busy Row
M^{rs} J. Taylor } High Street. Bridge Street. Weald
M^r J. Lawrence } Glebelands Church Street
and M^r R. Saunders } and the Caravan site.
M^r A. Jordan Buckland Road. Broad Street
M^r D. Passmore Aston Road. Mercury Close and Ampney Orchard.
M^r J. Gascoigne All Business premises

All other arrangements for the Weigh in appeared to be going well and it was agreed that any problems that arose could be dealt with on the day.

No further Business

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Date of next meeting Sunday 10th October

R. B. Saunders.

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held at the Cotswold Grill Hotel on Sunday 5th Sept

Present Mr J. Lawrence Mr A. Jordan Mr J. Gaswinge
Mrs I. Humphries Mr R. Saunders Mr R. Govie
Mr D. Passmore (part time)

Apologies received from Mrs J Taylor

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

It was reported that the "Nightmare" Disc had been very successful and had raised a total of £54.30. The secretary was given leave to organise another disc.

A Bottle collection seemed unlikely in the near future due to a number of club functions already arranged. It was agreed that the collection remain on the minutes to be carried out at the earliest opportunity.

Miss Pam Ayres had confirmed that she would be attending the Weigh-in on October 2nd. Mr Dave Macdonald had said he would be pleased to, once again, act as auctioneer. It was agreed that Mr Saunders should obtain flowers for Miss Ayres and Countess Munster. Mr Saunders would also order more raffle tickets. Mr Passmore would run the bar on Weigh-in night, he would also organise teas and, possibly, hot dogs. Mr Govie would get the "scrounger" leaflets printed and these would offer a free chance to win a bottle of whisky if brought to the Weigh-in. Mrs Govie and Mr Rainbow offered to run a bottle stall, the committee were pleased to accept the offer. Mr Saunders said he would provide scales for the weighing. Mr Govie would contact Mr Holfield for the use of a public address system.

Mr Lawrence said he would collect the Challenge Trophies from last year's winners. It was agreed that there should be 3 miniatures for the pumpkin competition, 2 for the Junior Section and 2 for the marrow section. A Challenge Cup was also needed for the Juniors. Mr Passmore and Mr Govie were asked to obtain the cups when they purchased the cups for Sports Night.

It was agreed that the Annual Pumpkin Bumpkin Show would take place on Tuesday 9th November.

Mr Saunders reported that the club had sent out 3 funeral wreaths in the past few weeks.

No Further Business Meeting Closed at 9.10 pm

Date of next meeting Sunday 19th Sept. R.B. Saunders.

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held at the Cotswold Grill Bampton on
Sunday 10th October

Present

M^{rs} J. Taylor M^r J. Lawrence M^r J. Gascoigne
M^r A. Jordan M^r R. Saunders M^r B. Gavier M^{rs} I. Humphries

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Matters Arising

M^r Gavier said that a date for the next
Discos had not been fixed. He also told the meeting that
the disco booked had now changed its name from
Zonda to H-T.

The Weigh in had been a all time record. M^{rs} Taylor
reported that the profits from weigh in night were £428.
It was agreed unanimously that the W.I Hall was a
vast improvement on ~~the~~ ^{R.B.S.} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~inside~~ and outside site.

After discussion it was proposed by M^r J. Lawrence
and seconded by M^r Gascoigne that "If any collector
is, in future years, offered goods from another persons
territory the Official collector for that area must be told
as soon as possible. This was agreed.

The Secretary was asked to write letters of thanks
to the local press and others. Competition winners over page.

It was reported that the arrangements for Sports night
were going well. Bar Billiards Ltd had agreed to supply
3 tables. Dart board stands would be hired from the
Wilney and district darts league and the captain of
the Horseshoe Aunt-Sally team would be asked to lend
us their portable throw. Most committee members would
attend to help on the evening. M^{rs} Taylor said she
would ask her husband to help us in finding a
sporting personality to present the cups.

M^r Gavier said that arrangements for the Show were also
going well. The committee discussed the entry fee
and it was agreed at 50p with pensioners and children
30p.

The club received a donation of £10 from the Bampton
Horticultural Society.

No Further Business

Meeting Closed 9.00

R. B. Saunders

Date of next meeting Sunday 31st Oct.

Pumpkin Winner 1976 M' A. Fooks $70\frac{1}{2}$ ^{lb}
JOINT Second. M' R. Siford 56^{lb}
JOINT Second M' S. Hawkins 56^{lb}

Juniors Pumpkin Paul Dowley 66^{lb}
Second George Gascoigne 53^{1}{4}}^{lb}
~~First~~

Mattows ~~M' J. Horne~~
First M' Lambden $27\frac{3}{4}$ ^{lb}
Second M' J Horne 24^{lb}

Bampton Pumpkin Club.

Minutes of meeting held on 30th October 1976 at the
Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton.

Present Mr J Lawrence, Mrs J Taylor, Mrs I Humphreys
Mr A. Jordan, Mr J Gascoigne, Mr R. Saunders
and Mr B. Govier.

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

No firm date had been booked for a Disco. It was
left for the secretary to arrange.

Mr Saunders said he had sent letters of thanks
to traders for their donations at the Weigh-in.
Mr Govier had written to the local press thanking
everyone for their help. Mr Saunders said he would
order a further supply of headed paper for the club.

It was reported that, after expenses of cups, engraving, hire
of hall etc, the sports ~~night~~ raised a total of £127.94.
being £65.10 on the night, the remainder coming from
the players signing on fees.

The secretary said that Bampton W.I had increased
the rent for the Pumpkin Show booking by £1
because we would be using the canvass side screens.
Arrangements were made to cover the door, raffle and
teas at the show. Mrs Govier would be asked to
make sandwiches for the performers.

No Further Business

Meeting Closed at 9.00 pm

Date of next meeting Sunday 26th November

A. D. Saunders.

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB.
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 26th November at
The Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton.

Present. Mr Gascoigne, Mr Lawrence, Mrs Humphries
Mrs Taylor, Mr Gories, Mr Jordan, Mr Saunders.

Minutes of last meeting read and agreed.

Secretary said that he had booked the Hall and the
Nightmare Disco for Friday 3rd December. The usual help
was agreed and Mr Saunders said he would arrange,
with Mr Passmore, to have an assortment of crisps and
sweets for the coke bar. The committee agreed that
a further disco could be arranged for the new
year.

Mr Saunders said he had ordered the headed note paper
and he would collect it on the following weekend. The
Secretary said he was waiting for the paper to write
letters of thanks to Johnny Francome, Frank Stewart-Wood
and the Bumpkin Show performers.

The Bumpkin Show made a profit of £24.45¹/₂

Mr Saunders was asked to order $\frac{1}{4}$ ^{lb} of Suttons Hundredweight
Pumpkin Seed. Mr Saunders told the committee that the sum
of £8.86 would be paid from his seed discount scheme.

It was agreed that this year each pensioner would
receive £5 provided this left the club with a balance
of £200.

Mrs Taylor had purchased 150 Christmas cards
at the cost of £2.50. She said she would need
a further 50 to cover the expected number of
pensioners.

No Further Business
Meeting Closed 9-10 pm

Date of next meeting 5th December

R. B. Saunders.

Bampton Pumpkin Club
Minutes of meeting held on Sunday 5th December 1976
at the Cotswold Grill, Bampton.

Present -

Mr J. Lawrence Mr J. Gascoigne Mr R. Saunders
Mrs J. Taylor Mr B. Grier Mr A. Jordan
and Mrs I. Humphries.

It was reported that the disco held on 3rd December had not worked out as planned due to the disco jockeys vehicle breaking down. Money for the junior disco had to be refunded and the adult disco was nearly one hour late starting. The secretary said that the disco fee had not yet been paid. After all other expenses the club were left with just under £30. It was agreed that £15 should be sent to the disco operator.

It was further agreed, that as it now seemed likely that another organisation were attempting to copy the double event disco, the secretary should book the dances in advance.

Mr Saunders said he had collected the headed notepaper and continuation sheets from the printers. Cost to the club being £2.40.

The chairman had written to Suttons Seeds for this years pumpkin seed and was awaiting a reply.

Mrs Taylor reported that club funds stood at £1583.40 247 pensioners would be paid £5 each. It was agreed that Mrs Taylor and Mr Grier would sort the cards and money on the following Thursday. The money would then be kept in Mr Saunders safe, distributors would collect from Mr Saunders.

Mr Grier explained an offer, made by dart players from the Oxford Super League, to play an exhibition game in the W.I Hall. It was agreed to follow the offer up.

Mr Saunders said a spray had been sent to the funeral of Mrs Green at the cost of £2.30

Mr Gascoigne asked that the bottle collection be kept on the minutes for consideration in the New Year.

No Further Business. It was agreed that a brief Pre-A.G.M meeting would be held at 7.30 on Jan 9th followed by the A.G.M at 8.00 pm.

R. B. Saunders

Bampton Pumpkin Club.

Minutes of meeting held on 9th January 1977 at the
Cotswold Grill Hotel, Bampton at 7.30 pm.

Present. M^{rs} J. Taylor M^{rs} I. Humphries M^r I. Lawrence.
M^r B. Gobier M^r R. Saunders M^r A. Jordan.
Apologies received from M^r D. Passmore.

Minutes of last meeting agreed.

It was reported that Discos had been booked for
Friday 14th January and Friday 25th February. M^r D. Passmore
had already obtained the bar licenses.

M^r Saunders said he had phoned Suttons about the pumpkin
seeds and had been assured of delivery in plenty of
time.

The secretary had received a letter pointing out that
M^{rs} Hobbs had been missed in the annual share-out.
It was agreed to ask the new committee to pay
£5 to M^{rs} Hobbs.

M^r Lawrence thanked the committee for the hard work
put in during 1976.

The Bampton Darts League v Oxford Super League
match plans had been changed. All arrangements will now
be made by the two leagues. Profits will be shared,
 $\frac{1}{2}$ to the Maggie Appeal, $\frac{1}{4}$ to Aston Old Timers and
 $\frac{1}{4}$ to Bampton Pumpkin Club.

No further business
Meeting closed 7.55.

Date of next meeting

A.G.M 8.00 pm same evening

R. B. Saunders.

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB.

Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year ended 31st Dec 1976.

Receipts.

Balance Forward	476.93
Donations	41.
Jumble Sale February	93.44
Dance February	74.60
Disco April	44.39
Problem Cards	1.50
Collection Tin Cleaners	10.
Easter Bonnets Street Coln	25.00
Do Raffle	9.90
Bottle Collection	2.15
Punch Board	8.30
Disco May	74.35
Do Sale of Coke	9.27
Signing On Fees Darts	58.25
Do Aunt Sally	14.70
Do Spoof	9.50
Do Bar Billiards	31.50
Jumble Sale and Mini Pete June	59.92
Bampton Gun Club	22.60
Coffee Morning	32.30
Disco July	103.69
Tramps Supper Raffle	3.80
Membership Fees 76 Seniors	15.20
Do 20 Juniors	2.
Disco September	87.92
Weigh In Auction	179.83
Do Sale of Pumpkins	1.75
Do Bottle Stall	27.15
Do Raffle	351.20
Sports Night Final Door	125.70
Do Raffle	9.10
Bumpkin Show Door	32.90
Do Raffle	6.10
Do Teas and Biscuits	3.70
Guessing amount in Bottle	
Entry Fees	6.30
Profit on Sale of Seeds	8.86
Duttons	8.86
Total in Bottles Cotswold Gril	179.80
Disco December Door	43.48
Do Crisp and Coke	
Bar	7.06
Jackpot Competition	25.
Mr B Walker Draw	17.30
Bank Interest	62.22

£2299.66

Expenditure.

Funeral Sprays (12) and Bouquets (2)	27.57
Telegram Pam Ayres	2.45
Hire of W.I.Hall (7 times)	63.
Jumble Sale Prize	1.50
Hire of Group Feb Dance	40.
Printing Membership Cards	2.25
Do Punch Board	2.50
Do Jackpot Cards	12.50
Do Raffle Tickets	33.
Do Posters	2.40
Betting and Lotteries Act	1.25
Easter Bonnets Expenses and Prizes	3.35
Hire of Disco May	25.
Disco Sundry Expenses	1.60
Coffee Morning Expenses	1.70
Hire of Disco July	54.85
Weigh In Raffle Prize	100.
Hire of Disco September	22.
Disco Sundry Expenses	2.12
Engraving Cups	77.29
D Passmore Bottles	6.
Weigh In Hire of P.A.system	12.
Posters	42
Hire Carterton Social Centre	35.
Finals Night Hire of Disco	25.
Do Hire of Darts Stand	6.
Do Sundry Expenses	3.70
Do Cost of Preparation time	5.00
Xmas Cards	3.70
Bumpkin Show Food Prizes etc	7.74
Prize Amount in Bottle	3.15
December Disco Hire	15.
Disco Expenses	4.01
Secretarys Expenses (Postage and stationery)	7.42
Payment to 241 O.A.Ps.	1205.
Balance at Bank 31st Dec 1976	484.19

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Mrs I J Taylor, Treasurer.
5th Jan. 1977.

J. J. Taylor

Minutes of Meeting held on 12th June 1977 at Cotswold Grill

Those Present:- Mrs J. Taylor, Mrs J. Humphries, Mr. A. Jordan
Mr. J. Lawrence, Mr. D. Pasmore, Mr. R. Saunders.

Apologies:- Mr J. Gascoigne, Mr. B. Govier.

Extra-Ordinary Business:- Before tidling the Minutes of the previous Meeting the Chairman read out a letter from Mr. B. Govier stating that, for personal reasons, he was resigning as Secretary and Committee Member. The Committee said that a letter should be sent to Mr Govier to thank him, and his wife, for their hard work they had put in to the Club; and to accept his offer to continue to help organising the Sports Night.

The Committee agreed unanimously to ask Mr Gascoigne to act as Temporary Secretary until an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting could be arranged.

It was decided that, if Mr Gascoigne had no objections, Mr. Ken Mullis, Mr Mike Cleaver or his wife Doris, and Mr Jim Walker should be approached to find whether they would be willing to serve as Committee Members.

Minutes:-

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and accepted.

Matters Arising -

The Treasurer said that the amended figure for the "Nightmare Disco" showed an overall profit of £27-35. This excluded a small amount still outstanding.

Churchtown Boy's racing plate had been returned to the Chairman along with the late Secretary's other effects. A letter of thanks had not yet been sent to the donor, trainer Jaffy Salaman.

The Countess Munster had not, to date, confirmed the date of the Fete at Bampton Manor so the Committee would assume the fixture to be on July 23rd until told otherwise. Members were asked to think of suitable entertainments for this function.

The mini-fete had raised £44-19½. It was thought that a future Committee could improve on this performance by arranging things differently. The Jubilee Draw had realised £54-29 and all prizes had been passed on to the winners. Mr. Givier would supply lists of winning names.

Mr. Saunders had the Pumpkin Challenge Cup, and said he would obtain the Marrow Challenge Trophy. These would be passed on to the Sports - Night Sub-Committee so that they could be engraved at the same time as the Pumpkin Club cups were purchased.

Trophies

Any Other Business :-

Mr. Jordan said that, unfortunately, there would be no T. V. Sets as the gentleman who had made the offer had left the firm concerned. Members were reminded that no action had been taken on the Bottle Collection. The Committee was keen that this should be kept in mind.

The H.T P.A. system and Disco had been booked for the Sports Night. It was agreed that a similar set-up should be arranged for Weigh-In Night but that the Disco should not cause the Auction to be rushed.

A raffle should be organised, The draw to take place on Weigh-In Night. The tickets should state "First Prize ~ £100" and "many other prizes."

Mr Jordan thought that Mr and Mrs Sweetingham would be willing to run a weekly Bingo for the Pumpkin Club. Mr Lawrence was asked to approach them on this matter.

The Committee was told that a floral tribute had been sent to the funeral of Mrs Probyn. A letter of thanks from her daughter, Mrs Stephens, was read out.

Mr Saunders said he would contact the new landlord of the Cotswold Grill to discover whether future Committee Meetings would be acceptable there.

Mrs Humphries offered to have the next Meeting at her house should any problems arise.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9:40 p.m.
Date of the next Meeting July 2nd 1977.

P. B. Saunders.

BAMPTON PUMPKIN CLUB

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Receipts

Expenditure

Balance Forward	459.40
Duttons Seed Profit	7.64
Problem Cards	1.50
Donations	64.33
Jackpot Money	126.95
Jumble Sale Proceeds (Feb)	126.03
(Mini Fete)	98.84½
Disco Profit (Mar)	72.14
(April)	109.50
Membership Subs	15.00
Easter Draw	27.10
Bar Billiards (Signing On Fees)	21.10
Darts (Signing On Fees)	38.40
Gun Club	7.50
Collections (Cleaners)	23.63
(Cotswold Grill)	6.27
(Eagle)	5.34½
Community Fete (Pony Rides)	22.41
(Jumble and Books)	5.26
(Bottle Stall)	30.77
(Tea Stall)	16.62½
Flutter Byes (Net)	8.10½
Derby Draw	23.60
Bottle Collections	24.68
Tramps Supper (Raffle)	6.12
(meals)	11.39
Aunt Sally (Membership)	9.40
Finals Night (Food)	9.80
(Raffles)	10.50
(Door Money)	71.70
Weight In (Weight of Pumpkin)	2.49✓
(Bottle Stall)	27.15✓
(Auction)	149.36✓
(Raffle)	194.80✓
Raffle for Panda (Smiths)	6.00
Bampton Gun Club	4.00
Rub Dub	2.36
Dance	19.04
Moustache Comp. (Entries)	10.50
(2 Fines)	1.00
(1st Raffle)	5.50
(2nd Raffle)	8.20
Bumpkin Show Takings	59.09
Raffle for Doll	10.67
Bank Interest	62.12

£2023.32

Printing (Poster Headings)	1.75
(Draw Tickets)	12.37✓
(Membership Cards)	2.25
(Jackpot Cards)	28.20
(Raffle Books)	50
Funeral Sprays (5)	6.70
Hire of W.I. Hall (3 Times)	29.00
Hire of Carterton Hall	35.00
Tombola Prizes	3.00
Tea Cloths	25
Chocolates	1.12
Bottle Stall (Mini Fete)	3.90
Secretary's Expenses	
(Postage and Telephones)	5.41
Pumpkin Seeds	1.50
Betting and Lottery Act	1.25
Christmas Cards	2.48
Derby Draw Prizes	11.00
Royal British Legion	3.82
Television Set	58.19✓
Cups and Shields	76.56
Repairs W.I. Window	1.57
Engraving Pigeon Cup	3.22
1974 Cups	13.39
Sports RNF Night Cup	2.20
Disco Finals Night	20.40
Bouquet	1.35✓
Weigh In Bottle Stall	4.70✓
Panda for Raffle	3.00
Moustache Comp. (Raffle Prize)	5.03
(Lighter)	4.00
(Guests-Drinks)	2.00
Bumpkin Show. (Entertainers	
Drinks)	2.00
(Refreshments)	2.00
(Gas)	10
(Raffle Prizes)	2.18
Payment to 239 Pensioners	1195.00
Balances at Bank (Carried	
Forward to next year)	476.93

£2023.32

The Committee and Members thank all those who helped the Club to raise £1563.92 during the year. This was only £37.90½ less than last year's record total, which says a great deal for your generosity during a year when financial conditions generally became so difficult.

.....*I. J. Taylor*.....
Mrs I. J. Taylor, Treasurer.
17th January 1975.

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G. J. Taylor

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