Here are the minutes from the Stop The Drips Fund Raising Group. November 7th 2011

PRESENT Tammy, Pat, Dawn, Bob, Ann, Lucy, James and Jackie

APOLOGIES Ruth and Nicola

UPDATE Thanks to Lucy for holding the Hippocampus party, she raised £151.63

The ride'n'stride made £237.50

The October issue of the freinds newsletter has now been distributed All of our events are advertised in the church newsletter and on the website

We should find out in December if we have been successful in our next grant application

TILES Bob has suggested that we save the sponsor a tile event until we are ready to re-roof the porch. There are less tiles on the porch and when people walk in through the porch they can look up and say "I bought one of those tiles" . We suggests we have a naming day when people come along a mark a tile just like lead workers mark their work on a roof. We can send out slips of paper for people to send in their requests if they can't make it on the day.

GOLF This is on hold until the spring

CLAY PIGEON SHOOT We are waiting for Jacquie Griffin to come up with a date

PUB GRUB MEAL Jackie has been in touch with the Chequers, they are happy to go ahead with this event in January or March. We will deliver entry forms around the village and people will pay to enter a menu into the competition. We need to discuss with the Chequers how the meal is going to work on the night and what sort of price they are going to charge as this will all need to be advertised at the same time.

BARN DANCE James has only just contacted Caswell Farm today and it was closed so he will try again tomorrow. They website suggests that they will charge around £3,000 for the venue but he will find out for sure

SAFARI SUPPER Friday Feb 3rd 2012. Meet at one house for a drink, go to another house for a starter, on to another house for a main and back to the original house for coffee and chocolates. Guests bring their own drinks to go with their meal. Tickets will be £12.50 per head. We will start a list of names of people who are interested then we can sort out how many homes are needed etc

QUEENS JUBILEE nothing to add yet

OPERA IN THE GARDEN The singers are available on Saturday June 23rd. Same sort of thing as last year. Instead of little fliers we will give out more of an invitation. We will make it more obvious that drinks and strawberries etc will be available on the night. We need to look out for a wicker hamper for the raffle prize, last year Lucy bought it in a charity shop

CREAM TEA nothing more to add

BRIDGE LUNCH nothing to add

BEER FESTIVAL Jackie to arrange joint meeting with sports club committee

Pat is getting a price from the Cat and Fiddle band The Edge (Lucys sons band) are happy to play Steve from the Masons says holding it on a Sunday is not a problem

BALL Not being booked until we find out if we are going to do a barn dance

CHOCOHOLICS Jackie has been unable to find a salesperson that can do a party for us

PUDDING NIGHT Ticket sales are slow. only 9 sold so far. when we added up how many we were bringing with us it reached 22. If we have not sold 30 tickets by Wednesday 16th we will have to cancel Lucy will buy some dessert wine and organise some glasses. It will be served in exchange for a donation.

12 people have said they will supply a pudding

We will hold a raffle as well but we will need some prizes donated first

Ruth has started to buy some bingo prizes

We will need a pudding competition prize

We will advertise the Christmas cheese and wine and the Christmas draw

CHRISTMAS CHEESE WINE AND FLOWERS NOW RENAMED TO CHEESE WINE AND

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

Tickets will be £5 each. Jackie to ask Phil to make a few posters and tickets. To be held on December 2nd at 7.30pm. It will be a demonstration and guests will not be making them themselves We need to sell 25 tickets by November 29th for this event to go ahead Jackie and Tammy will organise the cheese and wine Dawn organising the wreath demonstration

CHRISTMAS DRAW Jackie will try and buy a hamper with items in it, up to £50, we will then add things to it to make a raffle prize. We will ask Phil if he can put a slide show on showing pictures of the events we have completed so far, could also advertise future ideas It will be a thank you event, we will serve wine and beer, a donation

tray will be out but people will not be made to donate a set amount. We want it to be more of a social event than "hard sell" profit maker. Jackie will ask Phil to design a poster but only advertise the raffle not the fact you can get a free drink!

We will ask Mary about decorating the church with candles in jars and fairy lights

CHRISTMAS CARDS We need to track down where last years cards are. We need to sell them at all November and December events

AOB

James has the details of a Russian choir looking for churches to sing in, he will find out if St Britius is suitable

NEXT MEETING MONDAY 9th JANUARY 2012 at THE CHEQUERS