

**BGNS Promotions Meeting – Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Connie Club****Present:** Annette, Karen, Sue P, Ginnie, Andy NS, **Apologies:** Laura, Alison.

<b>Event Date</b>	<b>Discussions and actions:</b>
<b>Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Afternoon Tea – Connie Club</b> – was well received with 45 Members and guests attending. Thanks to <b>all volunteers that helped</b> to make it a lovely afternoon.
<b>Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Barrow Christmas Market</b> – it was agreed not to participate this year (2022).
<b>Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Volunteer Skittles evening – Connie Club</b> – great evening out with 20 volunteers and guests attending. Thanks to <b>Ginnie</b> for organising teams and providing instructions on the evening.
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>Christmas Tree Festival.</b> Thanks to <b>Karen</b> for decorating our tree.
Funding	<b>Funding – Coop Funding</b> – this has all been spent on the 2022 events. With this in mind, events for 2023 will be limited to 2 Member events (subsidised) and 2 volunteer events (self-funded*). *Volunteer events will be primarily self-funded as in previous years, however, some donations towards volunteer events have been received.  Funding of <b>£300 from BPC</b> for yearly <i>running costs</i> has been received. Where possible we do not use donations from members for running costs.
Newsletter	<b>Newsletter</b> to members and volunteers – <b>Annette</b> to pull together information from our webpages from events for the last 12 months to create basis of newsletter which will be updated to include date for first Afternoon Tea of 2023.
Bishop Beveridge Club	To investigate working with BBC to publicise and promote some of their events such as Canal Boat Trip – <b>Ginnie</b> . These events will be in addition to the BGNS organised events below.
Barrow Voice	Barrow Voice – <b>Andy</b> to ask if the RCC article can be including in the next edition of the magazine.
April	<b>Members Afternoon Tea 3pm– Karen</b> to confirm if <b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b> at Cons Club is available. Event to include raffle prizes. Theme - Kings Coronation - wear a crown/hat or Red/White and Blue. Andy to come as Town Crier.
June	<b>Volunteers Summer Walk</b>
October	<b>Volunteers Skittles</b>
November	<b>Members Afternoon Tea</b>
<b>Other Discussions</b>	
<b>The Big Help Out</b> – Volunteers Day for Kings Coronation – Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May. <b>Annette</b> to link the regular Facebook request for volunteers with this initiative closer to the event.	

**Date of next Meeting:** **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2023 7pm Connie Club** – (after Steering Group meeting at 6pm)