Treasurer's Report for 2019

Membership subscriptions are currently counted from the September of one year until the December of the year after because anyone who joins for the first time in the autumn gets membership until December of the following year. We had 65 members last year, up by one on the year before.

The hire of Lambley Hall has remained at £30 a week and we hired it for 40 weeks in 2019. This is down from the previous year due to issues in using the hall with ongoing building work, resulting in us using Oxton for one of the events. We only had one guest caller this year, we gave them £30 to cover expenses, and we give the members of the club band a small payment when they play at the summer and Christmas parties. The number of club nights using live bands has increased from previous years with us now attempting to do one per term. Some of these have been better received than others but on the whole I believe it is working well.

Some of our money was spent on stationery, stamps, committee meeting costs, and running our website. We are also affiliated with EFDSS for insurance purposes. We purchased a new CD player last year at a value of £117 along with a new mic stand, various CDs/dance books and a first aid kit equating to £74.

With regards to the public dances. We made a significant loss of £176.69 on the February dance, and a loss of £150.59 on the Ball. Mainly due to a reduced number of ticket sales and increased hall costs. In September we ran our first Saturday night contra dance which only made a loss of £44.40. Our thoughts behind this is due to the reduced cost compared to all other contra events in the country and the lack of a raffle. We also made a loss on the November dance at £122.39 likely due to the lack of attendance at the callers' workshop and evening due to poor weather.

Due to the changes with GDPR we registered with the Information Commissioner's office, at a cost of \pounds 40 allowing us to make donations in the future. We made a \pounds 200 donation to IVFDF and a \pounds 100 donation to the Doc Rowe archive.

In spite of all this expenditure we are up by £35 in comparing January and December in our current account. This is mainly due to the delay in charge for the Lambley hall hire and IVFDF donation being carried over into next year. At the end of the year we had in our two bank accounts £4533.94, down by £378.42 from the previous year. Last year we transferred £420 from our savings account back into the current account. With mobile banking we are now able to keep track of expenses easier and can spread costs and transfer money where required.

We had 1353 counted attendances not counting the 2 parties-the average being 33.8.

Thanks to Keith Robertson for preparing an audit of the accounts.