



**LDWA : BEDS, BUCKS & NORTHANTS GROUP
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2025**



The meeting commenced at 2.30 pm

Present: 19

Sue Barlow, Jim Blakelock (Treasurer), Ian Bradley, Dee Brockway, Terry Brown, Gill Bunker (Secretary), Roy Carter, Norman Corrin, Roy Dunham, Sarah Feal (Chair), Dave Findel-Hawkins, Phil Friede, Trevor Jones, Merrian Lancaster, Brian Layton, Alan Leadbetter, Karen Vidler, Phil Vidler, Sara Waldron

The meeting opened with a two minute silence in memory of Francoise Bannister and Chris Burns, who had both passed away in the weeks preceding the AGM.

1.	APOLOGIES Deb Badgery, Chris Bent, Steve Clark, Mike & Sandra Hyland, Therese & Daniel Jamin, Adrian Moody, Val Thompson, Dave & Lynn Yorston
2.	MINUTES OF THE 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING The Minutes had been available on the website. They were approved as a true record. Proposed: Brian Layton, Seconded: Alan Leadbetter and AGREED unanimously. Matters Arising: Item 9. AOB: It was confirmed that Jim Blakelock has taken on the role of Group Archivist, and all early challenge event results that could be located are now on the website; and event numbers are now being included in the event title (except where certificates had already been printed in bulk).
3.	REPORTS
(a)	Officers' Reports
	(i) Chair Sarah Feal
	Sad News It is with great sorrow that we inform you of the deaths of Francoise Bannister and Chris Burns, both valued members of our committee who contributed greatly to the successful running of this, and their energy, dedication and commitment will be remembered. Our thoughts are with their families and friends during this difficult time. Thank you This report looks back at the activities the local group has undertaken throughout the year, which wouldn't be possible without the volunteers who have dedicated their time and energy to plan and organise these. Thanks to everyone who has participated in any way in a group activity or event and for your support in the last year. My heartfelt thanks go to Gill Bunker for her efficient organisation of the committee, and for the high-quality secretariat support and advice she provides.

The Committee

Overseeing these activities is a committee made up of 10 volunteers. Alongside myself, Sarah Feal (Chair), I have been supported in the role by Francoise Bannister (Treasurer), Jim Blakelock, Dee Brockway, Terry Brown, Gill Bunker (Secretary), Chris Burns, Roy Carter, Mike Hyland and Sara Waldron.

The committee is also supported by other volunteers who have generously donated their time to plan and check routes, look after equipment, lead walks, ensure event safety and most importantly to keep everyone nourished. I extend my thanks to them all for their continued support.

Committee Meetings

The committee met three times during the year (13 February 2025, 5 June 2025 and 11 September 2025) and continued to hold these online using teleconference facilities. The committee changed its provider in the last year to reduce licence fee costs.

Regular items for discussion included:

- New members discussion
- Treasurer's report
- Challenge events and social walks update
- National Executive Committee updates
- Charitable donations, and
- Key policies and event safety.

Detailed reports have been written by those directly involved in specific aspects of the local group's activities during the year and are available on the website. The minutes of those meetings detailing the discussions held are also available online.

Governance

In August 2023, the National Executive Committee issued a draft Model Constitution to be adopted by local groups. A working group was formed with Terry Brown, Gill Bunker and me and together we looked at the details and agreed through the committee the final version, which was approved at last year's Annual General Meeting and ratified by the National Executive Committee.

Following the implementation of the new arrangements, the committee would like to recommend an increase on the numbers of approvers on the finance subcommittee from 3 to 4. This amendment allows greater flexibility in managing financial authorisations, ensures continuity during periods of committee turnover or absence, and supports good governance by enabling broader oversight.

Health & Safety

Please remember to bring your '**In Case of Emergency**' details on all walks.

I'd also be grateful if walk leaders could notify me via bbn.chair@ldwa.org.uk of any incidents that happen on a walk or challenge event, as we have a legal responsibility to notify the National Executive Committee of these. In the past year we have reported 2 incidents, and no further action is required on these.

Group Holiday

Thanks again to Roy Carter for another memorable and well organised group holiday in Torquay. Photographic evidence is available on the website of the wet and wild adventures. Plans for next year's holiday are already underway and planned for Weymouth in Dorset from 19th to 23rd August 2026 so save the date in your diaries

	now! Volunteer Walk Leaders and Event Caterers needed The group now has 546 primary and 443 associate members, making a total of 989 individuals linked to our local group, but the group needs new volunteers to come forward for it to thrive. If you feel you would like to lead a walk or make some sandwiches, but are not sure of what is involved, please come forward and speak to one of us. Full support and coaching will be given, and we have many years of experience and knowledge between us. Challenge Events The local group has held 3 successful challenge events throughout the year, the Shillington Shuffle (November 2024), the Chiltern Kanter (March 2025) and the Pick & Mix (June 2025). The full event reports are available on the website. Thank you to our event organisers, Dave Findel-Hawkins, Mike Hyland, Alan Leadbetter, and Dave and Lynn Yorston. Santa Walk 🗓️ And finally, word has it from Santa's helper that he is planning to visit us on 14 December and is very much looking forward to hearing us all sing. So, keep well during the Winter season and I look forward to seeing you all out on a walk soon.
	Sarah reminded people to bring their ICE cards on walks, and asked leaders to make sure they reported any incidents/near misses to her so she could refer them on to the NEC.
	She thanked Gill for her secretarial support during the year (round of applause), and thanked Alan for arranging the walk, lunch and the hall, Terry for leading the walk and Karen for looking after the refreshments.
	(ii) Secretary Gill Bunker
	Looking back over another year as Group Secretary, it's had its moments, it's been busy at times but for me (honestly) very enjoyable and extremely worthwhile. • Tuesday News circulated nearly every week, keeping members updated throughout the year. It is lovely to get feedback from members to the TN as it shows folk actually do read it. There were problems when the new email system was brought in with replies to BBN's bulk emails being returned "Undeliverable" but this problem was sorted by the LDWA IT Team (and a big shout-out for them as volunteers; they are pretty amazing). • Emails from the NEC: Circulated and responded to as necessary. • Online Committee Meetings: The committee have continued to meet on a Thursday evening for this year's three meetings, moving from Zoom to Microsoft Teams. This works well. We also have a committee WhatsApp group - information can be shared quickly and any decisions made speedily. This also works well. • The BBN website kept updated with photos from group walks and challenge events, plus event information, route descriptions, gpx files and finishing times etc. • Membership. We have had 81 new Primary members during the period 1st October 2024 to 30th September 2025. The total Primary membership as at

	30th September totalled 546, Associate membership totalled 443, making a total of 989 members. (Total membership at 30th September 2024 was 991 comprising Primary 523 and Associate 468.) We are gaining and losing members each year. Norman Corrin confirmed in early 2025 (he was LDWA Membership Secretary at the time) that, due to membership cancellations and non-renewals, this was a general trend across all groups. I think we have to accept that the majority of our new members join the LDWA to get the benefit of early and cheaper entry to our challenge events. They are not going to be active members of the group for the moment, although hopefully some may join our group walks and become part of the BBN “family” in the future. I send our new members’ contact information to Dee each week. Dee then makes a welcome phone call/sends a welcome email to the new members. • Plea for volunteers in the Tuesday News. It was pleasing to get a good response to the call for new marshals for the Sundon Saunter, and thank you to Andy Hoddle for offering to manage CP1 on the Hannington Hike. • BBN Facebook and WhatsApp. Both continue to flourish, with more folk posting photos and we now have two WhatsApp groups, one for <i>Walking</i> and the second, <i>Buddies Anything Goes</i> We also have a WhatsApp group for each of our challenge events, usually to post messages on the day of the event, and this has proved extremely successful. • BBN photos in Strider Thank you to Steve Clark for raising BBN’s profile by getting photos of our walks in the Group Walks section of Strider. And finally, this is the end of my fifth year as Secretary. I am happy to continue for one more year; this is in the hope of offering some continuity in view of the recent sad bereavements where we have lost two committee members. But the coming year will definitely be the last. The fact that the website and other “jobs” currently come under the Secretary’s umbrella is purely historical and there is no reason why these can’t be taken on by others. I would add that the BBN committee always work as a team and help each other. This last year has been no exception, so thank you to all my fellow BBN committee members for your support over the last twelve months.
	(iii) Treasurer: Jim Blakelock
	Sarah thanked Jim for stepping in as Treasurer.
	The Accounts have been prepared for the period 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025. Total balance on bank as of 30 September 2025 is £5,505.30. The balance carried forward from last year was £6,143.44. Our revenue and expenditure are almost entirely associated with entry fees and costs/expenses from our Challenge Events and linear social walks (mini-bus hire).

Income

Shillington Shuffle 2024	£1,543.72	Entry Fees
Chiltern Kanter 2025	£2,800.24	Entry Fees
Jurassic Way	£540.00	Member contribution to mini-bus costs
Pick & Mix 2025	£1,621.54	Entry Fees
North Bedfordshire Heritage Trail	£340.00	Member contribution to mini-bus costs
FOS 100_2025	£500.00	Contribution from Suffolk 100
Sundon Saunter 2025	£781.00	Entry Fees
Merchandising	<u>£75.00</u>	Sale of buffs, badges, and mugs
		£8,201.50

Expenses

Speyside 2024	(£40.00)
Shillington Shuffle 2024	(£1,591.34)
Chiltern Kanter 2025	(£1,437.39)
Jurassic Way	(£1,278.00)
Pick & Mix 2025	(£721.79)
North Bedfordshire Heritage Trail	(£880.00)
FOS 100_2025	(£468.75)
Marshalling expense	(£472.96)
Hannington Hike 2026	(£755.10)

Other Expenses

AGM	(£485.00)
Donations	(£300.00)
Miscellaneous	(£274.44)
Teams licence	(£47.52)
Email Address	(£57.60)
Bank charges	<u>(£29.75)</u>
	(£8,839.64)

Principal expenditures outside event expenses are the following.

Donations

Wildlife Trust	(£50.00)
Stepney city farm	(£25.00)
Air Ambulance service	(£100.00)
Northants rescue service	(£100.00)
The Friends of Raymond	(£25.00)
	(£300.00)

Miscellaneous

Walk Leader Mug	(£7.99)
SS Triple Certificates	(£90.00)
Thank You Gifts to members	(£46.20)
Tally Cards	(£70.80)
Social Walks Refreshments	(£59.45)
	(£274.44)

	Opening Bank Balance	£6,143.44
	Income	£8,201.50
	Expenditure	<u>(£8,839.64)</u>
	Closing Bank Balance	<u>£5,505.30</u>
	SURPLUS/ (DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	(£638.14)
	The committee has agreed to provide funding for the “Donate-a-Gate” scheme. This activity is currently in progress and represents a forward commitment of £350. This will appear in the accounts when the work has been completed. The accounts have been checked by Dave Yorton-independent examiner for BBN and found to be in order. They will be signed if approved by the AGM. Unless there are any questions, we now need a motion passed to accept the accounts so that they may be adopted.	
	Jim confirmed the figures in the accounts, and said there had been a loss of about £600 for the year.	
	Proposal to Accept the Accounts Proposed: Sara Waldron, Seconded: Merrian Lancaster and AGREED unanimously	
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	Jim confirmed that a donation of £100 had been made in memory of Francoise to Cancer Research UK, and a similar donation would be made for Chris when her chosen charity was known. Any donations for the books and travel guides that had been brought to the meeting would be divided between the two charities.	
	The proposed kissing gate on the Cross Bucks Way will be near Marsh Gibbon.	
	Portable Card Reader: Jim said that Francoise had been looking into the purchase of a PCR and he confirmed that he would now follow this up.	

Independent Examiner's Report

To the members of the LDWA BBN Group.

I report on the accounts of the club for the year ended 30th September 2025 which are set out on the pages as presented.

Respective responsibilities of the officers and examiners.

The club's constitution states that the club is responsible for the preparation of accounts and that an independent examination of the accounts is required.

It is my responsibility as the independently examiner to

- examine the accounts to ensure that they have been prepared in accordance with general accounting principles
- state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the club and a comparison of the accounts presented with those. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as officers concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

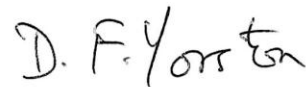
Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records and
 - to provide accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the club have been met.

Print Name: David Yorston

Signature:



Date: 18th October 2025

(b)	Other Reports																
	(i) Challenge Walk Co-ordinator <i>Mike Hyland</i>																
	6th Hannington Hike:- On BBN and LDWA websites, in Strider. On SiEntries ready to go live from the 1st December 2025 for LDWA members then for all from 2nd January 2026. 10th Pick and Mix:- Flyer is done, and is on websites (BBN and LDWA), is in December's Strider. On SiEntries, ready to go live on 1st March 2026 for LDWA members then for all from 1st April 2026.																
	(ii) Social Walks <i>Sara Waldron</i>																
	We have had a varied programme of walks during the last 12 months. At times it has been difficult to get leaders but overall, I think that we are still managing to put on more walks than many other groups. We have taken "ownership" of the Cross Bucks Way – a route which had been badly affected by HS2 & the East West Rail link. LDWA was planning on removing it from their walks database. Jim Blakelock, Trevor Jones, Ed Kendrick, Charlie the Dog & I spent 2 long days walking the route, updating the GPX file, clearing vegetation & recording dangerous stiles & bridges. The route has been reinstated & updated on the database. We have completed several long-distance paths during the year. We started with The Jurassic Way – encountering the worst stile design I've ever come across & epic mud, then we tackled The North Beds Heritage Trail, The Hanslope Circular Ride and the Aylesbury Ring. Some of these walks have attracted members to come along to a social walk for the first time. When we've put on a long-distance multi-day walk it has been made clear that members can dip in & out & treat each leg as an individual social walk so as not to detract from the overall walks programme. As ever we couldn't run a walks programme without our dedicated leaders. Several of them have led multiple walks. Here they are: <table data-bbox="260 1377 1069 1691"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Steve Clark</td><td>Alan Leadbetter</td></tr> <tr> <td>Terry Brown</td><td>Gill Bunker</td></tr> <tr> <td>Norman Corrin</td><td>Liz Sheffield</td></tr> <tr> <td>Sara Waldron</td><td>Geoff Curnock</td></tr> <tr> <td>Di Baldwin</td><td>Therese Jamin</td></tr> <tr> <td>Dee Brockway</td><td>Jim Blakelock</td></tr> <tr> <td>Roy Carter</td><td>Graham Dolby</td></tr> <tr> <td>Chris Bent</td><td>Trevor Jones</td></tr> </tbody> </table> Looking forward to next year I'm hoping to build on our Long Distance Path success with a few more. So far suggestions have been The Rutland Round, the Cross Bucks Way & The North Chiltern Trail. I'm looking for other suggestions across the patch – please let me know if you have any suggestions. I'm also looking at whether members & leaders would like to stick to the 2 weekly rolling programme of walks with occasional extras put in. The other option is to have all Thursdays & weekends opened up. Let's discuss this at the AGM.	Steve Clark	Alan Leadbetter	Terry Brown	Gill Bunker	Norman Corrin	Liz Sheffield	Sara Waldron	Geoff Curnock	Di Baldwin	Therese Jamin	Dee Brockway	Jim Blakelock	Roy Carter	Graham Dolby	Chris Bent	Trevor Jones
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	The Walk Leader of the Year mug was awarded to Roy Carter.
	Sara thanked all walk leaders and added:
	1. The Rutland Round – This has been suggested as another LDP the group could walk. In view of the distance members may have to travel, Sara would like to ascertain the level of interest. She asked that people email her to confirm that they would be interested in walking the Round.
	2. The Walks Programme – Sara asked if members were happy with the current format of the AWDs with alternate Thursdays and weekends listed. Would people prefer every Thursday and weekend to be listed? Following discussion, it was agreed that the current format of alternate Thursdays and weekends was best, but with some flexibility so that if a leader wanted a day that wasn't listed on the AWDs this would be acceptable.
	3. Sara indicated that she would be standing down at the end of the coming year.
(iii)	Local Groups Representative <i>Jim Blakelock</i>
	1. Four meetings held in 2025: February, April, July and October. These are virtual Zoom meetings, initially chaired by Madeleine Watson and more recently Penny Southern. Typically get around 30 (out of the 40 or so) Groups attending. 2. It is intended to be a channel for dialogue between Local Groups and the centre but in practice, tends to be more of a “broadcast” from the centre. 3. Over the past 12 months we have covered a range of topics: a. A new email system for LDWA: i. Each Group has been allocated 4 mailboxes: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer and Walks Secretary. We chose to subscribe to a fifth for Challenge Events ii. Means we can switch from using personal email addresses to role-based LDWA addresses which provides history and continuity when individuals take over roles b. Support and adoption of old Long Distance Paths: BBN has adopted the Cross Bucks Way c. Vacancies within the NEC d. Policies and Guidance documents covering: i. Social Walks and Walk Leaders ii. Data Protection iii. Challenge Events e. How to improve attendance on Social Walks f. Topics for the annual face-to-face Local Groups weekend, which Terry Brown attended on our behalf. 4. Local Group Meetings – forward schedule The schedule of LG meetings for next year are: (a) 13 Jan (b) 14 Apr (c) 14 Jul (d) 13 Oct but may be combined with LG weekend in November 2026 The reason for publishing these, is so that they can be shared with local groups, to enable planning and preparation, gather topics for discussion, provide feedback and get information for discussion out to groups in a timely manner.

	The dates of the future meeting had been made available so that members could put forward any items for discussion in good time for the meetings. Jim confirmed he is the channel for any such matters.
	Terry had attended the recent LGO meeting. One of her main concerns had been the proposed new social walk guidelines. The BBN committee had felt that these should be simplified, they are not user friendly and may well deter members from offering to lead walks. Terry had collated various suggestions ready for the meeting, but the item was not on the agenda. Several other groups also had concerns about the guidelines in their present form. Terry confirmed she had offered to work with Penny Southern (LDWA Volunteer Support Officer) and a small team to take this forward.
	As soon as Terry receives the Notes from the weekend, she will circulate them.
4.	Substantive Motion – Amendment to Constitution – Finance Sub-Committee Membership That Section 7.3 of the Group Constitution be amended to read: “All monies received shall be paid into the Bank and all payments other than petty cash payments shall be made by appropriate form of electronic transmission authorised by the Treasurer and one or other of up to four members of the Finance Sub-committee. The Finance Sub-committee will consist of the Treasurer and up to four other committee members (The Authorised Committee Members). Proposed by Jim Blakelock, Primary Member Seconded by Sara Waldron, Primary Member
	This was a late addition to the agenda. Due to a recent bereavement affecting our committee, we were unable to meet the usual 28-day submission deadline. We contacted the LDWA National Executive Committee to request approval for its inclusion under these exceptional circumstances, which they agreed. The motion was submitted 12 days before the AGM, and circulated to members on the 18th November. The NEC have confirmed they will approve the motion, subject to there being a 75% approval of those present and voting at the AGM. Rationale: This amendment allows greater flexibility in managing financial authorisations, ensures continuity during periods of committee turnover or absence, and supports good governance by enabling broader oversight.
	Sarah explained the background to this motion, saying the committee had approached the NEC and Sarah Heal, LDWA Secretary, had provided the required wording.
	Brian Layton queried “the Treasurer plus up to four other committee members” wording, He would prefer the officer positions Treasurer plus Chair and Secretary to be set out in the group’s constitution as forming part of the sub-committee. Sarah said that in fact this is what would be happening but that we needed to use the wording supplied by the NEC.
	The Substantive Motion as Proposed by Jim Blakelock and Seconded by Sara Waldron was AGREED unanimously.
	Sarah confirmed that Brian’s comment about the wording would be fed back to the NEC.

5.	ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS			
	Election of Officers			
	Nominations for the three Officer posts had been made in advance. A single nomination was received for each position so there was no need for a vote and the following were duly elected.			
	Position	Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
(i)	Chair	Sarah Feal	Steve Clark	Phil Friede
(ii)	Secretary	Gill Bunker	Beryl Bowley	Mike Bowley
(iii)	Treasurer	Jim Blakelock	Dave Findel-Hawkins	Gill Bunker
(iv)	Election of Committee Members			
	Six nominations (5 current members plus one new) had been received in advance of the meeting, so the following were duly elected. This left one vacancy on the committee for which a nomination could be taken at the meeting. No-one present wished to stand.			
	Member	Dee Brockway	Peter Hamson	Beverley Green
	Member	Terry Brown	Merrian Lancaster	Dave Findel-Hawkins
	Member	Roy Carter	Roy Dunham	Gill Bunker
	Member	Mike Hyland	Sarah Feal	Chris Bent
	Member	Sara Waldron	Merrian Lancaster	Dee Brockway
	Member	Chris Bent	Steve Clark	Norman Corrin
	Sarah confirmed committee members continuing in previous roles:			
	Sara Waldron: Walks Secretary			
	Mike Hyland: Challenge Event Coordinator			
	Dee Brockway: New Member Welcome			
	Terry Brown: Walks Database			
	Jim Blakelock: Local Group Rep/Archivist			
(v)	Confirmation of the Finance Sub-Committee: Jim Blakelock, Sarah Feal, Gill Bunker, Sara Waldron			
(vi)	Appointment of Independent Examiner for the Accounts: Dave Yorston			
(vii)	Confirmation of Equipment Holder: Dave Findel-Hawkins			
(viii)	Confirmation of non-committee helpers			
	Hundred Liaison: Dave Findel-Hawkins			
	2026 Hunnypot Hundred Checkpoint Co-ordinator: Jim Blakelock			
	AGM Co-ordinator: Alan Leadbetter			
	Event Organisers: Dave & Lynn Yorston, Roy Carter, Alan Leadbetter and Dave Findel-Hawkins			
	Event Admin: Merrian Lancaster			
6.	CHALLENGE EVENTS			
	2024-2025			
(i)	15th Shillington Shuffle 2024 (17th November 2024) Dave Findel-Hawkins (Lead)			
(ii)	23rd Chiltern Kanter 2025 (2nd March 2025) Roy Carter			
(iii)	9th Pick & Mix 2025 (1st June 2025) Lynn & Dave Yorston.			
	It was confirmed there are reports of these three events on the website			
	2025-2026			
(i)	5th Sundon Saunter 2025 (16th November 2025) Dave Findel-Hawkins (Lead)			

	Dave said there had been many problems in the run up to the event, including hall bookings and route changes, but all had gone well on the day. There had been 31 marshals, including 4 new ones.
	Triple certificates and badges were presented to marshals who had not received them on the day of the event.
(ii)	6th Hannington Hike (8th March 2026) Alan Leadbetter
	Will be using the same routes as last time. Need to check if routes are still ok to use, All venues are booked, Entries open on 1st December, for LDWA members and 2nd January for all others. The Marshals' walk will be on 15th February. Terry Brown, Sarah Feal and Andy Hoddle have offered to be a CP managers, but Sarah and Andy will need help and advice. I have asked Mary/Gill to have a word with both of them about managing a checkpoint and what food to do. Will need about 25 marshals for the day, will start asking for marshals in November. This will probably be the last Hannington Hike from the OG'S Sportsfield, I am looking at changing the start to Wellingborough Town Rugby Club in Cut Throat Lane, Great Doddington from 2028.
(iii)	10th Pick & Mix 2026 (31st May 2026) Lynn & Dave Yorston
	We look forward to seeing you all next year at the Wendover venue on Sunday 31st May 2026 for the 10th Pick & Mix. This will be the last that we are to organise. We hope that a new team will come forward and take over the reins. We will be very happy to show anyone the ropes as this coming event is planned. The Wendover hall is already provisionally booked for the 2027 event.
	There will be a special badge for the 10th event.
7.	GROUP ACTIVITIES
(i)	LDWA Hundred Checkpoints
	(a) 2025 Flower of Suffolk (24th-26th May) 2025 Mary Knight
	BBN supported CP 3 on the FOS 100 event. The following volunteered and did a truly outstanding job, busier than you could imagine: Mary Knight, Dennis Knight, Merrian Lancaster, David Findel-Hawkins, Alan Leadbetter. Gill Bunker, Dee Brockway, Peter Hamson, Wendy Hamson, Anne Addison, Pat, Paul Keech, Norman Corrin, Paul Kitson, Susan Jenkins. I supported my first 100 seven years ago, supported by Dennis for most events and many other volunteers who have been completely amazing, but it's now time to let someone else have a go.
	(b) 2026 Hunnypot Hundred Jim Blakelock
	Jim is the new co-ordinator; he has nothing to report at present.
(ii)	Torquay Trip 2025 Roy Carter
	There is a full report on the website.
	Weymouth Trip 2026 (19th-23rd August) Roy Carter
	Roy said 18 are booked. He is hoping to linking up with Dorset group to see if there are any local leaders who would like to be involved. There may be a longer and shorter walk on some days.
8.	DONATIONS/PROJECTS
	Sarah said donations since the last AGM total £750. Full details are on the website.

9.	AOB
	Sarah said there would be a memorial walk for Francoise on 19th April 2026, jointly with Essex & Herts group.
	BBN have made a donation of £100 to the Cancer Research UK - The Cancer Research Campaign in memory of Francoise.
	A memorial walk will be arranged for Chris and a donation of £100 will be made to her chosen charity when known.
10.	2026 AGM Date/Venue <i>Alan Leadbetter</i>
	2026: Yardley Hasting, November 29th Morning Walk: Have sorted out a walk and will need to check it out. Meeting Venue: Yardley Hasting Memorial Hall, Hall booked from 12.00 until 16.00, Cost of hall £62, Meal Venue: Rose and Crown, Yardley Hasting. Booked for 24, at 12.30, This will be a choice of two courses (mains and dessert) as we will need to be out by 2.30,. 2027: looking at Aston Clinton, November 27th.
	The meeting closed at 3.15 pm.