C&D Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 15th November 2023 (via Zoom)

Minutes

Present

Kim L (Chair), Hannah S (Treasurer), Lorna B, Tim R, Paula M, Hazel & Terry B, Rachel H, Julian P, Ken G, David Ho, Dave Hi, Steve D, Gill K, Isobelle B, Ian G (secy)

Apologies

Feli A, Mary P, Ali R, Tim C, Kieran R, Annette M

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The Minutes were agreed as correct.

Reports

Chair
Kim reported that we had another successful year. In addition to the three Challenge events we have run, we ran the Potter round the Otter, a 50 mi Challenge Qualifier to support our members planning to enter next year's Speyside 100, and those members want to try night time walking. Many thanks to Kieran and the other organisers of that event.

Our bank balance is in a very healthy state; if any members have suggestions as to how some of these monies might be spent, please submit them to the Secretary.

Our initiative to offer subsidised Navigation training to Leaders and potential Leaders has been popular. The majority of people who have attended these courses have now successfully led walks. We will repeat this initiative during 2024. Of course, its not just about encouraging new walk leaders - it's about improving the skills of our members in order to reduce the risk of serious incidents taking place in the challenging environments where our walks take place.

Treasurer
We transitioned to a new Treasurer this year, a process not helped by failings at our Bank which made the process far longer and more fraught than was necessary. Paula M

provided the Statement of Accounts, appended to these minutes. Our net income for the year was £1569.64. Balance at the bank was £10,490.66

Secretary (Membership)
Ian reported that current membership stood at 418, a similar level to last year.

Annual Statement of Accounts

Hannah Steer proposed that the annual Statement of Accounts be accepted. Kim Littlewood seconded & the meeting agreed unanimously.

Election of Officers

As required by our constitution, Kim, Ian and Hannah stood down.

Kim was proposed for re-election as Chair by Paula M and seconded by Hazel B.

Ian was proposed for re-election as Secretary by Kim and seconded by Tim R.

Hannah was proposed for re-election as Treasurer by Lorna B and seconded by Ken G.

There were no other nominations received.

All were elected unanimously.

Hazel B offered the thanks of the membership to the Officers for the hard work they put in over the course of the year.

Kim stated that this would be her last year as Chair (as required by our Constitution). Going forward, we will be reminding our members that this is the case, and that if any members are interested in putting themselves forward for this role, Kim will be happy to liaise directly with them in preparation.

Any Other Business

Hazel B requested that next year's AGM be held Face to Face. After some discussion, the meeting agreed to hold the AGM on Saturday 16 November in Bovey Tracey. Hopefully, there will be a couple of walks offered, with the AGM scheduled to start around 16:00. To encourage attendance, snacks will be provided and there will be the opportunity to discuss any matters of interest down the pub later.

Meeting closed at 20:00