

Essex & Herts LDWA

Minutes from the Committee Meeting held at Ashfield Carriage Driving and Polo Club, Gt. Canfield Thursday 30th June 2022, 10.30am

Apologies for absence: GP, PH,

- **Approve minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 24th March 2021 at Lorna Doone, Galleywood.**

Proposed **EO**, Second **RH**

- **Matters arising from previous minutes**
 - **Banners**
JB asked about colours and would get a picture. It was agreed to get 1 x Horizontal plus 1 x vertical, assuming we can find a supplier. These would be coming from the Keith Noble legacy.
 - **Stores**
As we have an inventory it was felt that we do not need an audit of equipment at present.
- **Financial report/update**
EO will circulate a report after results of HH are received.
- **Social Walks**
 - **Social walk programme**
LB reported that the summer programme was full but there are spaces in Oct. / Nov. The Walks Sheet is working well.
As there is no Essex Walker next year should we hold a 50 mile event – Shotley?
If we are going to hold the Blackwater Marathon then we need dates for the event and the Marshall's walk.
Secret Santa is still a work in progress.
- **Challenge Events**
 - **Essex Walker**
The numbers were low but the event was a success.
 - **Herts Hobble**
Was a success and we have had good feedback.
 - **Three Forests Way**
60 entries so far, the route is written and needs checking.
Maybe we could reduce the catering for some CPs.
 - **Checkpoint etiquette**
JB to circulate a document
- **Website**
Access Permissions to the website are to be reviewed.
- **National 100 events**
 - **TransPennine** – In spite of the small hall we coped well, thanks to all the volunteers.
- **Equipment**
Everything is working fine.

- **Any other business**

Merchandising – **GS** to add narrative about our products to our merchandising page on the Essex & Herts website that includes a link to the PECO store.

Linda has one badge left so **JB** to enquire into a badge supplier.

Some discussion into preferred club colour, it was decided to keep 'bottle green' as recommended for functions e.g. checkpoints but people could put a badge on a coloured item of their choice – it is the logo that really matters, not the colour of the garment.

Rules and responsibilities – **JB** will be remaining as Secretary for the current year but has expressed her intention to stand down at the next AGM. She is willing to remain on the committee and stand for the role of Internet/Social Media Officer. Therefore, we need a new secretary – maybe a newer member might be interested.

50 mile event – Because finding a suitable hall for Herts Stroller is proving problematic we have three things to consider,

1. Do we run a 50 mile event every year or every other year?

2. Should we continue to try and run the Herts Stroller and / or should we try to run The Shotley?

3. Whatever we do we must avoid a clash with the Sussex Stride.

GS to check Norfolk & Suffolk's plans for next year to avoid a clash of dates if we run The Shotley. She will also check tide times with Brian Adcock. **GS** also agreed to check with Sussex group if a date has now been fixed for the 2023 Sussex Stride.

- **Mileage Allowance** – **GS** to circulate the current guidelines and we should review these at the AGM.

80th birthday celebrations – It was decided that we would discontinue the cake and mark the occasion with something simpler.

- **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 29th Sept. at Lorna Doone, Galleywood.