



North of Scotland LDWA committee meeting

Thursday Setember 19th 2024 7.00pm

Attendees: Graham Smith (GS) Alison Collins (AC) Pete Mitchell (PM) Lorna Sproates (LS) Bea Jefferson (BJ)

Apologies: Jan Adamson (JA) Julie Cribb (JC) Roger Boston (RB) John Henderson (JH) Karen Meikle (KM)

Chair: GS
Recorded by: AC

Agenda:

- 1 Committee update/matters arising
- 2 Membership update
- 3 Treasurers update
- 4 Social walks
- 5 Walk Reports
- 6 Challenge events
- 7 North of Scotland Group merchandise ...laminated rucksack tags
- 8 Skills for the Hills update
- 9 The upcoming AGM
- 10 10th Anniversary of the group
- 11 Local group bi-monthly meetings
- 12 AOB,
- 13 Date and time of next meeting.

Agenda		Action Items	who	when	Status	Comment
1	Committee Update	GS Welcomed everyone. GS thanked BJ for settting up the teams meeting.	GS			
2	Matters Arising from last meeting that have	- Speyside 100 account is now closing. Surplus back to the LDWA. - Tanya McIvor. LS will give her a ring. GS will forward the telephone number. LS will have the accounts done by Tuesday/wednesday next week.				GS to forward Tanyas number to LS

	been dealt with					
3	Matters arising still to be dealt with	Nothing to be dealt with that is not covered in the agenda.				
4	Membership	We now have 116 members.	AC			
5	Treasures update		LS			
6	Account	Current status £3517.76 (£500 from Speyside 100 event, the skills for the hills first aid course still to be paid for.)				
7	Social walks	PM asked about the Christmas walk. GS and friends did a recce of a walk in the Rosemarkie area. They visited the Rosemarkie Golf Club and this was decided to be the venue for the Christmas meal. The pre Christmas walk needs some fine tuning and Sunday the 15th December is the preferred date. GS will get a menu and prices. The strider deadline is the 9th October so we need walks for January/February/March/April 2025. Walks to be organised in as many different areas as possible. RB said he would do a walk Keith to Huntly next year. BJ said that her walk description for her Bennachie loop walk in October needs changing as the car park is now closed. She will let PM know. PM to email all walk leaders encouraging them to put on walks for next year.	PM			PM to email all walk leaders to encourage them to put on walks GS to get a menu and prices for the Christmas meal
8	Walk reports	Walk registers need to be done, ideally a walk report and a GPX file to be done as well.	PM		On going	
9	Challenge events	The coast to coast challenge event will be on Saturday 28 th June 2025. The cost will be £35 for LDWA members and £45 for non members. KM has contacted a coach	GS		On going	

		company and has provisionally booked 2 X 53 seat coaches at £450 per coach. The company is Macleod,s Coaches of Rogart. The cancellation policy is that if cancelled less that 24hours notice then we have to pay in full. This challenge event will be in the next strider. Laich O’ Moray event. GS reported that JC said that there was no more news on possible plans for a tri nation triple challenge. JC had suggested that the LofM be done anticlockwise but PM explained that this is difficult due to the tides. PM to organise a slimmed down version as a qualifier for the 100. GS suggested that we have flyers on the coast to coast event advertising the L of M				
10	Group merchandise	Plastic rucksack tags have been made by AC these will be distributed to members who would like one. JC is chasing Peco for a shop link. JC has organised merchandise.	JC			
11	Skills for the hills	BJ reported that 12 folks attended a very good navigation course. It was very practically based with little classroom teaching. The feedback was that participants would like to practise what they have learnt. ? schedule a navigation walk in the programme. Regarding equipment, it was suggested that group shelters be purchased for hilly/remote walks. There are 11people booked onto the October first aid course at the moment.	AC			AC to look into purchasing group shelters
12	The upcoming AGM	Rafford Hall is booked. PM to lead the pre AGM walk. GS explained that he is moving out of area to East Lothian, he may be leaving in the new year but he remains totally committed to the group and the Coast to Coast challenge walk. GS is happy to carry on as chairman until someone new steps up. Reports for the AGM needed are Accounts and a Chairmans report.				

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