LDWA WEST LANCASHIRE GROUP

Zoom Committee Meeting Monday 9th May 2022

Minutes

	Apologies: Jacqui, Jane, and Mike
	In attendance: Neil, Ian, David, Glyn, John, Karen, Andy
	Standing items: The club is committed to litter picking at car parks. Associated membership of the Ramblers and looking after the Trig point at Darwen.
1	Chairs Introduction. Minutes of the Last Meeting. Agreed.
	The time allocated to the meeting was 40 minutes as this was a Zoom meeting.
2	The Walks Programme Neil commenced the meeting by commenting on the comprehensive programme put together by David and Jane. He thanked both for their contribution and the leaders who had put themselves forward.
	Neil felt that there needed to be a brief description of the walk, so walkers knew what to expect ie the time, length, height and terrain of the walk. This will continue. Neil felt the more detailed the description, it might encourage more people to attend walks. Neil highlighted that there was nothing recorded on 'past walks' for 8 recent walks. Neil explained how he would like all routes on our website walks database, which would not only include a description and report of the walk, but a route GPX file with map and photos. This is what the LDWA had requested of all groups, so that members can access walk routes after the event. Neil is keen to promote this and we should all try to encourage leaders to provide the necessary information to populate the walks database.
	Ian felt that we should, however, continue to show our walks under 'past walks' and he is happy to upload both. Those members with a Smart phone or mapping can do this task easily. There appeared to be some confusion in regard to the difference between completing the register and a walk report. David and Jane to make this clearer.
	Joint walks with East Lancs Neil reported There were 5 West Lancs members, 2 Irregulars, 1 North Yorks and 5 East Lancs members on the last joint weekend walk. Early days in terms of attendance. We have discussed the attendance of members on weekend walks before, hopefully with a varied programme, members will start to support these. Karen asked whether a separate post of monthly walks could be emailed to members at the beginning of the month. David agreed to do this.

3 Jacqui provided a financial statement

Neil felt that the Club was in a good financial position.

The current balance is £8,700. The profit of the Amble is £1,900.

Outstanding expenditure: Sandwiches at the Sea View.

Agreed donations: Bolton Mountain rescue £500.00 and North West Ambulance £200.00.

Neil felt that there was a potential need for a minibus for some of the sections of the 50th Anniversary Walk and especially on the 19th June.

This expenditure was agreed by the Committee.

Action: The cost for the Mini bus/Coach is £100.00 per trip. There will be 4 trips.

19th June, walk and social event

Karen had little success trying to contact the Hall to look at early access for anyone wishing to drop off food before the walk.

Neil had a cost of sandwiches and chips from the Bayley Arms - £5 per person. Members to pay for their own drinks.

Committee agreed to this expenditure and to cancel the Hall.

Action: Neil to do an email to estimate numbers.

Outstanding financial Actions:

A member has asked the club to fund a Northern Peaks sign. These are £385.00 plus VAT and installation. **Action: On hold at present.**

Emergency Tags

These are available to Primary members and £3.00 plus VAT per person. 24 members so far have tags.

4 Social Events

Previous Social events:

On the 18th October there was a social evening at the Sea View.

The hot pot AGM on the 15th November was well attended, again at the Sea View. The Pudding Plod was a success on the 12th December, thanks to Glyn and Julie. 21st March, sandwiches and a get together at the Sea View. Ian gave feedback from Amble.

Future events:

	Neil asked for any volunteers to organise future social events. It was suggested
	sometime in August for a get together.
	This needed further discussion as the Zoom meeting ran out of time.
	Actions: Need to book a Christmas meal and look at other social events.
5	AOB
	Neil asked for progress on the Logo.
	Karen had suggested, following on from the AGM, that the Club replaced their 'old
	fashioned' badge/logo. One member had suggested that we go for the Red Rose with
	West Lancs and some boots to complete this.
	Action: Ian is working on this. Gaynor had volunteered to try and develop something using publishing software that she had access to. Karen has sought information from the LDWA and there are no restrictions in regards to changing our Logo.
	Neil asked for progress on John Viney's bench? Ian confirmed contacted the Ranger and this has been ordered. Doreen has made a contribution to this.
	Action: The Ranger has made contact and explained the delay in production.
	Date of next meeting to be decided.