

LDWA WEST LANCASHIRE GROUP

Zoom Committee Meeting
Thursday 13th January 2022

Minutes

	<p>Apologies: Jacqui, Jane, and Mike</p> <p>In attendance: Neil, Ian, David, Glyn, John, Karen, Andy</p> <p>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.</p>
1	<p>Chairs Introduction. Minutes of the Last Meeting. Agreed.</p>
2	<p>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. In particular, for the first four months of the year there are a variety of walks. Tuesday's remain popular and there are some longer walks at weekends. David identified some gaps and will contact potential leaders for these.</p> <p>In the previous minutes: Neil felt that there needed to be a brief description of the walk, so walkers knew what to expect, length, terrain. This will continue. Neil would like the walk programme expanding from Spring to October, which would include a longer Tuesday walk and 2 Thursday walks. These are included in the programme. A discussion took place in regard to weekend walking, and it was agreed that weekend walks could be either a Saturday or Sunday, again this would be up to the leaders preference and availability.</p>
3	<p>Jacqui provided a financial statement The current balance is £8,700. This includes some Amble entries, through SI entries</p> <p>Outstanding expenditure: £91.80 for the Tags.</p> <p>Emergency tags - £3.00 plus VAT per person. 24 members have had their tags. Karen to do another group email. The Committee agreed to spend some money on the emergency tags for primary members. Neil felt that there was a potential need for a mini bus for some of the sections of the 50th Anniversary Walk and especially on the 19th June. This expenditure was agreed by the Committee. Action: Neil to get a costing.</p>

	<p>Outstanding Action: 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.</p>
4	<p>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.</p> <p>Neil has booked the Memorial Hall at Hurst Green on Sunday 19th June from 2-6pm. This would be the Venue for the end of the Lancashire Way, 50th Anniversary walk. Action: Neil will send out more comprehensive e mail covering the 50th Anniversary Walk, what was involved and ask for expressions of interest so that we had numbers which would allow us to plan. Action: To visit the Hall to see what facilities are available. Karen to send email to members with details and will visit the Hall. Ideas from members re contributions for food and drink.</p> <p>It was agreed to hold another social evening at the Sea View on the 21st March, again with sandwiches and possibly a speaker.</p> <p>Action: Karen to book the Sea View and source a speaker, possibly from Fix the Fells. Ian to do a feed back about the Amble and plan for next year.</p> <p>It was agreed that Glyn would plan a Fish and Chip walk in April.</p>
5	<p>AOB Karen had one item. Neil had three items. Karen 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 embroidered on it. Action: Karen to include this in an email to members.</p> <p>Neil discussed, again from the AGM, joining with East Lancs leading walks at weekends, with a view to expanding our weekend walking programme by sharing leader responsibility. East Lancs had discussed this at their meeting and requested some information from ourselves. This was discussed and agreed that Neil would follow up with a reply to their questions.</p> <p>Action: It was agreed in principle that West Lancs would lead a joint walk every two months.</p> <p>Neil stated that we should start uploading our walk details onto the LDWA Social Walks Database in line with LDWA policy. This would include a walk report, GPX file and any photos. Ian is happy to do this. Our walk leaders need to start providing a GPX file along with their walk report.</p>

	<p>Action: As well as a walk report, leaders should include a route description which Ian will upload along with any GPX files.</p> <p>Neil asked for progress on John Viney's bench? Ian confirmed he will contact the Ranger's who can order and erect a new bench with the existing plaque. Doreen has made a contribution to this. Action: The Ranger has made contact and this is in hand.</p> <p>Date of next meeting to be decided.</p>