



Wiltshire LDWA AGM Minutes

Sunday 3rd December 2023 @ 1400hrs

The Bear Hotel The Market Place, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 1HS

In Attendance:	Janette Armstrong	Bruce Barclay	Jon Bateman	Steve Braithwaite
	Malcolm Christie	Adrian Crocker	Di Cross	Tony Davies
	Sue Farrant	Frederick Folkstad	Clive Frankham	Carole Gardner
	Janet Heneghan	Phil Heneghan	Carol Holmes	Paul Hopkins
	Virginia Pawlyn	Dave Purdy	Lucy Robins	Clare Staff
	Ben Staite	Roger Swift	Andy Todd	Guy Vowles
	John Walker	Jo Walker	Mike Willis	

Agenda Item		Actions / Notes
1.	Welcome (Andy)	Andy welcomed everyone to the AGM.
2.	Apologies for absence (Clive)	Simon Clarke, Bea Therin and Alan Voyce.
3.	Approval of last year's AGM minutes (Clive)	The minutes of the last AGM were approved unanimously. Proposed by Jon and seconded by Carol .
4.	Matters arising (Clive)	None.
5.	Chair's report (Andy)	See attached.
6.	Secretary's report (Clive)	See attached.
7.	Treasurer's report	See attached.
8.	Walks Secretary's report (Steve)	No report has been received. The Wiltshire group organised 27 social walks this year, down from 38 last year. That is a 40% decrease compared to a 16% decrease in social walks nationally.
9.	Election of Officers (Clive)	The constitution permits two of the officers on the committee to stand again, which they are willing to do. Dave Purdy and Lucy Robins have volunteered to take over the roles of Treasurer and Walks Secretary respectively. Nominations will also be accepted should other members wish to join the committee. Dave and Lucy were duly elected, proposed by Paul and seconded by Steve . The vote in favour was unanimous.
10.	Motions (Clive)	No motions have been received.

11.	AOB (Clive)	John thanked the committee for all their hard work throughout the year.
		John also gave a moving tribute to two former members - Ann Ochala and Tim James - who both sadly passed away this year. He ended by proposing a toast to absent friends.
12.	Close (Andy)	The AGM ended at 1430hrs.

Clive Frankham

Secretary of the Wiltshire LDWA

CHAIR'S REPORT

I start this report by thanking **Phil Heneghan** and **Stephen Carver**, our outgoing Treasurer and Walks Secretary. They have done a sterling job during a difficult period, and I thank them. I would also like to thank **Dave Purdy** and **Lucy Robins** who have agreed to take over as Treasurer and Walks Secretary respectively.

I would also like to thank all of you, our members, for being part of the group this past year. This group only exists because of you, our members.

We had a good attendance at this year's 100, both with walkers, and with volunteers both on our checkpoint in Coventry (and on other checkpoints, and at the finish). There will be a group going up to Scotland next year for an extended week of walking.

We have organised a good programme of walks this year, however it has not been as regular as I would have liked. I am sure **Lucy** will be on to all of you to organize a walk. Organizing a walk should not be (and is not) difficult to do. If you are not sure, or want some assistance you only have to ask. It is helpful to give people a reasonable notice that a walk is happening, and the more notice that you can give the more people are likely to attend. However, this is not necessary, and a walk can be listed with just a few days notice. If you are going for a walk, and would like people to join you, then please think about listing it as a walk.

Andy Todd

Chair of the Wiltshire LDWA

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The publication of our monthly newsletter has been maintained throughout the year, with circulation continuing to increase steadily each month. The upward trend is mainly due to the number of associate members we have, i.e. those members from other groups who choose to receive our e-mails from us. Our primary membership appears to have increased slightly to 245 (+ 12) since my last report. Thank you for the many kind comments I've received throughout the year regarding the newsletter.

I'm happy to continue as Secretary. I think work still needs to be done to get the Wiltshire group back to the place it was at before the pandemic. The committee members need to be more proactive in their activities, and better controls need to be in place, particularly with regards the organisation of challenge events. I look forward to **Dave Purdy** and **Lucy Robins** joining the committee, particularly the latter as I would like the group to have a full walking programme for a rolling three months. I would also welcome any members who wish to join the committee i.e. without a specific role.

Finally, I recently spent another inspiring weekend representing the group at the LDWA Local Groups' Weekend in the Dorset, a summary of which is included in the December newsletter. I'm happy to take questions if anyone has them, however I'll circulate a more detailed report later.

Clive Frankham

Secretary of the Wiltshire LDWA

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Wiltshire LDWA's balance at Barclays Bank was £7,849 at the 9th November, an appreciable increase on last year's figure of £5,990.

The principal items of financial activity for the group were the same as in previous years, i.e. the AGM meal subsidy and the Pewsey Downsaround (PDA). The meal subsidy for last year was £721, and is expected to be about the same this year, despite the subsidised proportion being higher.

The PDA made a surplus of £2,862 in 2023, largely due to an increase in charges from a similar number of entrants as in 2022. Due to the significance of this item in the balance sheet, a more extended breakdown of the income and expenditure compared with prior years is detailed below. A full list of payments and receipts is available on request.

The other item of note was the Elephant, Bear and Bull (EBB) 100 support team, which spent about £500 in travel, food and t-shirts. Coincidentally (?), we received £500 as our share of the surplus from the EBB organisers.

This will be my last report as treasurer, as I am standing down at this AGM.

Pewsey Downsaround (PDA) Summary

	2023	2020	2019
Income (No. of entrants)	£3,985 (240)	£3,420 (242)	£4,368 (299)
Expenditure	£1,122	£1,069	£1,496
Surplus	£2,862	£2,546	£2,577

Phil Heneghan

Treasurer of the Wiltshire LDWA

LDWA WILTSHIRE ACCOUNTS SUMMARY - 8TH DECEMBER 2022 TO 9TH NOVEMBER 2023

Date	Debit	Credit	Balance	Reason
			£5,990.34	B/F from last year
8 Dec 22		£9.46	£5,999.80	Stripe payments
21 Dec 22	£962.50		£5,037.30	AGM lunch cost
6 Jan 23		£280.00	£5,317.30	SI credit for PDA
16 Jan 23		£300.00	£5,617.30	Payment from 100 surplus
26 Jan 23		£4.73	£5,622.03	Stripe payments
3 Feb 23		£521.25	£6,143.28	SI credit for PDA
9 - 24 Feb 23		£28.98	£6,172.06	Stripe payments
3 Mar 23		£355.00	£6,527.06	SI credit for PDA
24 Mar 23		£926.88	£7,453.94	SI credit for PDA
31 Mar 23	£125.00		£7,328.94	Payment to Bea Therin for fuel
11 Apr 23		£198.75	£7,527.69	SI credit for PDA
19 Apr 23	£220.00		£7,307.69	Avebury S&S hire
24 Apr 23	£90.00		£7,217.69	Scout hut hire
25 Apr 23	£18.25			PDA expense Lucy
	£19.25			PDA expense Bruce
	£20.00			PDA expense Roger
	£34.44			PDA expense Carol
	£128.91			PDA expense Andy
	£13.50			PDA expense Paul
	£556.38		£6,426.96	PDA expense Janette
28 Apr 23		£1,288.95	£7,715.91	SI credit for PDA
31 May 23	£336.90		£7,370.81	Metro for 100 t-shirts
	£25.00			100 CP payment to Andy
	£25.00			100 CP payment to Janette
	£25.00			100 CP payment to Bruce
	£25.00			100 CP payment to Carol
	£25.00			100 CP payment to Bea
	£50.00		£7,195.81	100 CP payment to Clare
27 Jun 23		£500.00	£7,695.81	Credit from EBB 100
4 Oct 23	£97.50		£7,598.31	Payment for MeetUp
4 Oct -9 Nov 23		£212.50	£7,849.61	AGM meal payments