

**LDWA East Lancs Group**

**Minutes of the Meeting Held at 8pm on Tuesday 2nd April 2019**  
**at the Doffcocker Inn, Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 5QD.**

**Present:**

Hilary Scott (HS)	Chair / IT Secretary
Roger Jackson (RJ)	Secretary
Viv Lee (VL)	Social Secretary
David Walsh (DW)	Walks Secretary
Caroline Tennant (CT)	Events Secretary
Alma Walsh (AW)	Ordinary Committee Member
Ken Noble (KN)	Ordinary Committee Member
Pauline Melia (PM)	Ordinary Committee Member
Paul Wadsworth (PW)	Ordinary Committee Member
Jane Hill (JH)	Andy Griffin (AG)
Paul Raine (PR)	Kim Walsh (KW)
Jane Farmer (JF)	Peter Balshaw (PW)

**Apologies:**

Paul Allen (PA)	Treasurer
Mike Bushby (MB)	Nick Halford (NH)

**The Group was quorate and the meeting opened at 8.05pm and closed at 09.10 pm.**

**1. Minutes of the Last Meeting:**

The Minutes were accepted as a true record of March's meeting.

**2. Matters Arising:**

**19.01** Ongoing discussion of spending some funds.

**April Update: Action: RJ** to provide VL with contact details for First Aid Training . VL has established contact with 'Friends of Redisher Woods' . A meeting will be established shortly, to establish where East Lancs would wish repair work to occur, with a view to a possible donation to assist with these costs. Will report back for the group's consideration on this. **Ongoing.**

### 3 **Chair and Secretary Update:**

Thanks to some extremely hard work by the group we have had a fabulous March. The Two Crosses was a great success, thanks to Caroline for her incredible efforts, Viv for the shopping etc etc and Roger for the Resource plan. Also, to all the Marshals who turned out, many comments were made about your encouragement and cheerfulness. I look forward to Caroline's report of the day.

The ICE tags have arrived and been distributed in the main. Thanks to Jane Hill for her hard work with this.

Our plaque is now on the signpost in Roddlesworth. The Irregulars have become affiliated to the PNFS and are going to visit each signpost and possibly help with any work needed around the signs. Perhaps long term we could consider something similar.

There has been a brief conversation with Tony from Lakeland Group regarding the Red Rose 50 becoming part of a trilogy of 50's. No firm outcome yet, this is very much a preliminary talk.

### 4 **Treasurer's Update:**

The group accounts remain healthy. The final payment for the Hadrian 100 is due soon.

### 5 **Event Secretary's Update:**

Event Secretary reported on a very successful Two Crosses; the first time the event has been declared full on SI-Entries. Event Statistics as follows:

SI-Entries 253   On the Day Entries 27   Non-Starters 44   Starters 236  
Retired 4

Income £2660.96   Expenditure £1366.91   **Profit £1294.05**

Feedback was very positive, both on Facebook and by email, with many competitors saying how much they had enjoyed the event and plan to return next year.

There followed a short discussion on whether to increase SI-Entries maximum to 300, which was initially agreed, but following a couple of points raised poste meeting we will need to check our parking capacity and Laurel Centre facilities before that can be confirmed.

Also, it was agreed to standardise entry cost for Si-Entries and paper entries to £9.20 for LDWA members and £11.20 for non LDWA members.

## 6 Walks Secretary's Update:

The Walks Secretary confirmed details coming in for September to December walks though still a few outstanding. He also reminded the group of the 'Dambusters' walk, he is leading, held on April 28th in Memory of Bob James.

## 7 Social Secretary's Update:

### Future Events

VL hi-lighted the following upcoming events.

### 2019

April – South West Coast Path. Based Exmouth.

May – Hadrian 100. Based Dufton. Fully Booked

Nov - Real Ale Ramble, Llanwrytd Wells

Dec – Ghyll Head. Walks in South Lakes. 1 male shared place available.

Dec New Year – Newadd Arms, Llanwrytd Wells 13 booked Full but other accommodation available in the town.

**Also June 23 rd** Ramsbottom Round - Visiting Peel Tower in the afternoon which will be opened & staffed by Viv & others to raise funds for MND & MS. Light refreshments available. Tower open. Please contact Viv if you would like to help.

### 2020

May – The Welsh 100

For further details or to book a place please contact the Social Secretary, Viv.

## 8 IT Secretary's Update:

The website is up to date with the Walk Reports, currently working on the RR50 pages. Facebook is still gaining followers, 22 in the last month and there is an increase in queries about the group from Facebook.

## 9 Red Rose 50:

RJ gave a brief update.

**Entries** - Red Rose 50 2019 details on Si-Entries and East Lancs web site, we have 15 people entered to date.

**Route** - The updated route and GPX file are on the Web Site

**Staffing** - The staffing list is nearly complete, but still a couple of positions to fill. Will do a bulk email asking volunteers to help in those roles.

**Checkpoint Details** – Now available to be put on the Web Site.

**LDWA walk of the Month**

We have received an email from David Holland who is in charge of LDWA Publicity.

He is trying very hard to raise the national profile of the LDWA.

One of his ideas is to have an LDWA "Walk of the Month". Which he could pass on to major walking magazines on a regular basis. Thus, gaining publicity for the LDWA generally and also the local groups

But before he can start selling this idea to magazines, he needs to be sure that he has a continuing monthly supply of walks. So, he is hoping the area groups can provide walks of 20-25 miles. He will require a route description and photographs.

We decided this was a good idea and we would be able to help. Several walks were suggested including The Two Crosses, Peelers Hike and The Spanners Round. Once we have investigated the practicality of offering various walks. HS to reply to David. **Ongoing:**

**AOB****East Lancs Badges with new Logo**

CT suggested we ordered some East Lancs badges featuring the new logo. This was quickly agreed. **Action:** CT to investigate

**Biddys Farm Family Walk**

PW picked up a leaflet for Bidy's Farm Scout Group advertising their walk on May 11 th and thought it may be an event of interest. Details are available on Bidy's Farm Web Site.

**Date and Time of the Next Meeting.**

**8pm, on Tuesday, 7th May 2019.**

**at the Doffcocker Inn, Chorley Old Road, Bolton BL1 5QD.**

**Sandwiches will be provided.**

**ALL WELCOME**