

LDWA East Lancs Group

Minutes of the Meeting Held at 8pm on Tuesday 7th May 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 Meilia	Ordinary Committee Member
Paul Wadsworth (PW)	Ordinary Committee Member
Nick Halford (NH)	Barbara Shelton (BS)

Apologies

Paul Allen	Treasurer
Mike Bushby	Edwina Hill
Chris Greene	Jane Hill

The Group was quorate and the meeting opened at 8.05pm and closed at 09.20 pm.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The Minutes were accepted as a true record of April'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 **May Update:**. A meeting has now been arranged to view the area concerned and then a decision can be made. **May Update** :RJ unable to find contact details for first aid training , but VL believes she can get details from Norman Thomas. **Ongoing.**

19.03 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: **May Update:** CT brought several costed options to the meeting. One was agreed at the meeting and 200 ordered. In addition, it was decided one should be available to each primary member who wants one, but it is their responsibility to pick them up at one of several agreed times.

3 Chair and Secretary Update:

April has been a quieter month for The East Lancs group. There was a successful South West Coast Path trip and the normal programme of social walks. Thanks to all for all their commitment to this. We did mention last week that Tony Willey had phoned HS with a proposal to use the Red Rose 50 as part of a Northern Trilogy of walks run over a three-year period. He has now firmed up his idea and we will need to decide whether we wish to be included or not. This will be discussed later this meeting as a separate item.

4 Treasurer's Update:

The Treasurer forwarded details of our accounts which continue to hold a healthy balance. The final payment for the Hadrian 100 has now been completed

Event Secretary's Update:

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The Laurel Centre is currently unavailable due to the building being declared unsafe. A meeting is due to be held shortly to decide what action they will take. One possibility is that it could be, reconfigured and used as a classroom, this would of course mean losing the kitchen so we would no longer be able to use it for our Two Crosses event. Brenda is aware of our requirements and will keep us informed of events.

If Laurel Centre cannot be used, we could either not run the Two Crosses in 2020 or use another venue as headquarters. Jumbles is an option, though parking could be a problem.

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Walks Secretary's Update:

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The Walks Secretary confirmed details coming in for September to December now complete. The Website is up to date and details emailed to Julie Crib. Also, we have also run several successful plodders walks

7 Social Secretary's Update:

Future Events

VL hi-lighted the following upcoming events.

2019

May – Hadrian 100. Based Dufton. Fully Booked

Nov - Real Ale Ramble, Llanwrytd Wells

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

Dec New Year – Newadd Arms, Llanwrttyd Wells thirteen 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

Jan - The Old Vicarage - Bookings being taken.

Feb - Keswick – Fully Booked

April – South West Coast Path. Based Weymouth (one double available)

May – The Welsh 100

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

8 IT Secretary's Update:

Web Site is up to date, Facebook is picking up slowly getting more likes, though still tends to be HS doing most of the posts, rather than being interaction with others. Perhaps we should investigate more people doing posts though there seems to be doubts if everyone has the correct access to do so.

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 21 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 – following a review of opening times some changes made to shorten length of time marshals required.

10 Discussion / Decision on Northern Triple Challenge

Tony had sent the outline of his Northern Triple Challenge proposals to HS who circulated it to all committee members, prior to the meeting and forwarded suggestions / comments to Tony for his response, basically over a three year period each event would run once (ie, tri-yearly). The committee's response raised the following points.

- For it to be regarded as a true triple event it should be held at a similar time each year. Tony's first event is planned in April, which would be difficult for East Lancs due to it clashing with the Two Crosses and the SWCP trip. Also, we could end up with the situation where there were six months between the first two events then eighteen months between the next two.
- It would be a great help if all groups were to share the resourcing for all the events which would also encourage the feeling of a true triple challenge.

Tony did send a well thought out and reasoned response, though the date of his event does seem fixed.

Following a discussion considering the various options, it was decided that although the group liked the idea in principle, we were not able to commit ourselves to the venture at this stage, **Action:** HS to inform Tony of our decision.

AOB

PNFS – If we wish to affiliate the year runs from 1st June to 30th May, so PA will need to have this improved and send the money soon. Do we wish to? . The general feeling was there was no great advantage to East Lancs in affiliating.

Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

8pm, on Tuesday, 4th June 2019.

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

Sandwiches will be provided.

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