LDWA East Lancs Group

Minutes of the Meeting Held at 8pm on Tuesday 2 nd July 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 SecretaryDavid Walsh (DW)Walks SecretaryCaroline Tennant (CT)Events Secretary

Paul Allen (PA) Treasurer

Alma Walsh (AW) Ordinary Committee Member
Ken Noble (KN) Ordinary Committee Member
Pauline Meilia Ordinary Committee Member

Paul Wadsworth (PW) Ordinary Committee Member

Steve Clarke (SC)

Nick Halford (NH)

Sue Boardman (SB)

Alison Wadsworth (AW)

Paul Raine (PR) Peter Balshaw

Ian Hamilton (IH)

Apologies

Mike Bushby (MB) Gordon Stone (GS)

Barbara Shelton (BS)

The Group was quorate and the meeting opened at 8.00 pm and closed at 09.15 pm.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

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

2. Matters Arising:

19.01 Ongoing discussion of spending some funds.

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. **June Update**: VL has had a meeting with Dave Chadwick and others to discuss the required Redisher Woods footpath improvements, in particular ones related to the Two Crosses event. The full estimate for the work is £8000 to £10000. It will be completed by a contractor who does regular work for the council and can be

done either in one go or in several stages as the money is available. Crowd funding is being considered with various groups including 'Ramblers' as possibilities. Also, we are applying to the NEC to see if they can help. VL suggested East Lancs LDWA offer to contribute £1000, which was proposed by the Chair and agreed by the meeting. **July Update**: HS has contacted Dave Chadwick concerning our contribution. Also VL/CT have put together a detailed proposal, requesting additional funds, to be sent to the NEC. **Action:** HS to send proposal to NEC in time before next NEC meeting. **Ongoing**

April Update: Action: RJ to provide VL with contact details for First Aid Training May Update: RJ unable to find contact details for first aid training, but VL believes she can get details from Norman Thomas. **June Update:** Post meeting PW was able to advise that free CPR and First Aid courses are still available at Horwich and we can contact Watch Commander Lunt to arrange them. **Action:** VL to make contact. **July Update:** VL has booked a First Aid training course for Saturday August 10th, 11am at Horwich Fire Station, Chorley New Road, Horwich. This deals with first aid in an emergency and CPR training. Fifteen places are available, thirteen people have already booked, please contact Viv if you would like to attend. **Closed**

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. **June Update**: CT to progress. **July Update**: Order has been placed and should be available soon. **Closed**

3 Chair and Secretary Update:

June was another successful month for the club, good walks well attended with particular mention to the support for the Ramsbottom Round on June 23 rd. A total of £1080 was raised for the MS Trust and MND. Thanks to all who helped at the Tower, made the cakes and bought them. It was also a great evening at the Two Crosses party, the sun shone enough for Michael to give his presentation and for all of us to show our appreciation to Viv, Caroline and Jeanie. I'm pleased to say that we have good news regarding the Two Crosses event but will leave that for the Event Secretary's report. The only cloud on the horizon is the lack of entries for the Red Rose 50. It would be good if everyone could try and encourage entrants. Thank you again for your continued support for East Lancs.

4 Treasurer's Update:

The Treasurer presented details of our accounts which continue to hold a heathy balance. As the accommodation has now changed for the Welsh 100. the £100 cheques, already sent, have been torn up and those committed to help should now send a cheque to the treasurer for the amount detailed in the Social Secretary's Update.

5 Event Secretary's Update:

With the Laurel Centre being unavailable Greenmount School has been identified as an alternative headquarters for the 2020 Two Crosses. CT, AW, HS and VL have been to check it out. The kitchen facilities are good and there are adequate parking facilities on road and in local businesses with the possibilities of acquiring more in the local pub car park. Also, only minimal changes required to the route description. **Action:** CT to progress.

6 Walks Secretary's Update:

The Walks Secretary has confirmed the latest Strider will be up to date, all walks being released up to December. Also, the January to April schedules are now full.

7 Social Secretary's Update:

As mentioned in the Chair's report the Ramsbottom round was again a great success raising £1080.00 for MS Trust and MND charities. June 14th has already been pencilled in as next year's date.

Future Events

2019

Nov - Real Ale Ramble, Llanwrytd Wells

Dec - Ghyll Head. Walks in South Lakes. Full.

Dec New Year – Newadd Arms, Llanwrtyd Wells fifteen booked, full but other accommodation available in the town.

2020

Jan - The Old Vicarage - We need to start booking.

Feb - Keswick - Fully Booked

April – South West Coast Path. Based Weymouth.

May – The Welsh 100 Accommodation has changed to Longtown Outdoor Centre, it is in an outdoor centre, hostel style accommodation. People staying need to send £23 pp per night to cover their costs, some people are staying 3 days, some 4, some 7. That's why it's not one fixed price.

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

8 IT Secretary's Update:

Facebook has steady numbers at the moment. Still no / little participation in the group page but posts that have most interest are those that have photographs e.g. Tower / Ramsbottom Round.

There was a refresh of the main LDWA site on June 26th June. The group site remains unchanged for now. There were many bugs / glitches on the day, but these have been fixed in the main. Reports on our site are up to date.

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 30 people entered to date. **Action:** RJ to email other groups asking if they could publicise the event among their members.

Staffing – A few minor changes were again required to the staffing list, but it is now complete, and ready to go on the website. shortly

KN was able to confirm we now have a Permit from United Water Utilities.

Previously HS had mentioned that Chapletown Road may be closed on Sat September 14th for the Tour of Britain, which could impact on the event. RJ contacted Joe Fox from the Highways department who confirmed the road closure, the places being affected Jumbles and Hawkshaw. Fortunately, though it will be a moving roadblock arriving mid Saturday afternoon, with the road only being closed in practice for approximately twenty minutes, so any delay should be minimal and not cause a problem during the event.

10 AGM

Julie Crib, LDWA groups secretary, has asked us for various details, including our AGM date, to which they are planning to send a representative. As it naturally falls on November 5th (Bonfire Night) we thought we should discuss it at the meeting. The date of November 5th was quickly confirmed. **Action:** RJ to send details to Julie.

11 LDWA website Bulk Email and Group Detail access.

Julie also contacted us regarding an LDWA decision that all groups should limit each group Bulk Email and Group Detail access to two or three people. Following a brief discussion on how we work currently, we decided to request four people having access justified as follows:

Chair Hilary Scott - Messages to group , loading documentation (Walk Registers , Minutes , Agenda's etc)

Secretary Roger Jackson - Sending out Agenda's , Minutes, Loading documentation (Walk Registers , Minutes , Agenda's etc)

Walks Secretary David Wash - Send out walk related messages to group (particularly walk changes)

Event Secretary Caroline Tennant - Check Member details for event entries, not sure if we can separate this from Bulk Access **Action**: RJ to send reply to Julie

12 Groups Weekend

This is to be held in Nottinghamshire November 15th-17th, No member of the committee is available to attend this year. There was a brief discussion whether to open it up to all members but decided the LDWA did want committee members to attend. Should anyone change their mind please contact Hilary.

13 2020 LDWA Midlands 100

We have been contacted by Michael Jones who is running the 2020 LDWA Midlands 100 asking if we would be running the breakfast stop. The meeting agreed we were. VL had already confirmed we would to Michael.

Date and Time of the Next Meeting.

8pm, on Tuesday, 6th August 2019.

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

Sandwiches will be provided.

ALL WELCOME