# LDWA WEST LANCASHIRE GROUP

Committee Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020 at 6.15pm

#### **Minutes**

Apologies: Jacqui

In attendance: Neil, Ian, Karen, David, Jane, Mike, Glyn and Andy. Richard has resigned.

Standing items: The trig point at Darwen tower. Annual payment to the Ramblers Association. Donations to Bolton Mountain Rescue, Air Ambulance and Raynet. The club is committed to litter picking.

#### 1 Chairs Introduction.

The previous minutes were agreed.

**Matters Arising** 

The Committee agreed to purchase a 'tag' containing: the member's name, emergency ICE numbers, any known medical condition (if there is a wish for this to be shared) any known allergies. This information fits onto a tag to be displayed on the outside of the member's rucksack. East Lancs recommended the company and Karen has received the relevant information for this to proceed.

**Action:** Karen to email members who wish to proceed for their information. The Committee decided that we would not re-visit walk leaders completing a register, despite this being mentioned in the latest edition of Strider.

Neil advised that due to the variety of walks offered in the future programme, including a longer Thursday walk, Tuesday is still a designated social walk. Neil had received a phone call from a member who advised that some members were still dictating the pace by being in front of the leader. The Committee felt a strong message should be given to those who ignore the spirit of the walk and spoil it for others.

This meeting:

Slide show on the Coast to Coast The Amble

Neil to talk about the future walking programme

## 2 **The Walking Programme**

David had sent an email regarding past walks attendance A brief summary of the walks between 1.10.19 and 7.1.20.

#### **Tuesday Walking Group**

Eleven walks with an average of 18 on each walk.

### Strider Walks

5.10.19 - Pete Lang - 16 miles - Darwen, Turton & Longworth - 11 walkers 15.10.19 - Sue Fagg - 12.5 miles - Bullpot and Barbon Round from Kirkby Lonsdale - 9 walkers

5.11.19 - Rob Lowe - 14 miles - Dunnow Where Bowland is - 14 walkers 16.11.19 - Doreen & Gareth - 15 miles - Jumbles Jaunt - 7 walkers 3.12.19 - John Clarke - 15 miles - Tockholes Turkey Trot - 12 walkers An average of 13 on each walk

#### **Pudding Plod**

14.12.20 - Glyn & Julie - 6.5 miles - 18 walkers Followed by an excellent meal and facilities at Whalley Golf Club.

### **Current Walk Programme**

There is to be a Thursday walks programme from February until October including the Lancashire Way on the following dates:

7<sup>th</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 21<sup>st</sup> May, 28<sup>th</sup> May, 4<sup>th</sup> June, finishing on the 11<sup>th</sup> June.

Neil emphasised that members can walk one or all of the days. The crucial factor being mini-bus numbers. Neil to email members nearer the time.

Other Thursday walks

25<sup>th</sup> June - That's Lyth - a version of the present Challenge Walk – Ann Holden 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Mid Summer Kanter – Neil Harwood and Jeff Parr 6<sup>th</sup> August – Gargrave – Sue Lomax 20<sup>th</sup> August – Swirl How – Pete Lang 17<sup>th</sup> September – High Street – John Clarke 1<sup>st</sup> October – TBA – Ian Wardle 15<sup>th</sup> October – Very Early Halloween Happening - Ken Wyles

#### Other Walks

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> until Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Walks around the Richmond area with Sue and Peter Lomax. Members to be emailed to register their interest.

To be finalised, other Thursday walks

Pendle Witches Way and Across Bowland Walk (Easter is the 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> April).

Neither the Lancashire Way nor Pendle Witches Way are to be featured in Strider.

#### 3 Finances

## No up to date figures available as Treasurer on holiday.

However, with the very positive response to the Amble this year, we should have had significant funds in from SiEntries for this event so we will still have very significant funds.

Previous discussion:

Glyn had asked for a donation to be given in regard to the use of a car park used on a Tuesday walk. This will be used in the future.

Action: The Cmmittee agreed to this. Action: check whether this has been paid? Ramblers Association – Ian has paid the subscription, to be re-imbursed.

The Committee agreed not to refund SI entries.

Ian to report on the Amble at the March Committee meeting.

#### 4 Social Events

Previous discussion:

It was agreed previously that the Pudding Plod should be subsidised, members to pay £10.00 and the club £5.00. Partners to pay the full amount. It was agreed to invite associate members who have led a walk.

Update: This was a very successful event, very positive feedback about the meal. Members enjoyed the day, despite a very muddy walk.

The Committee agreed that Glyn should go ahead and book the 2020 Plod meal at Whalley golf club. Date 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

The Committee agreed to pay for the following:

Fish and Chip Walk  $-12^{th}$  May. Glyn to organise

Tea and Cake walk - 22<sup>nd</sup> September Glyn to organise

## 5 Committee Meetings and Member Meetings

Timetable

**Future Meetings** 

9<sup>th</sup> March, visit to the Ambulance Service in Preston. All members are invited.

AGM is to be on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Venue is the Sea View. Hot Pot to be served. Neil and Karen to discuss the timetable for Substantive Motions.

Other club meetings:

6<sup>th</sup> April - AGM

8<sup>th</sup> June

10<sup>th</sup> August

12<sup>th</sup> October

The Committee to think of ideas for these meetings, ie guest speakers or a member who has an interesting slide show?

## **6 AOB**

It was suggested that the club should look at a walking holiday abroad, as this had been open to members in the past. **Action:** to have an open discussion and is there anyone willing to organise?

First Aid is booked for the 1<sup>st</sup> February at Horwich Fire Station. 10.00 start. Some members have responded.

# Outstanding from previous meetings

It was discussed that some Committee members might benefit from attending LDWA meetings, ie AGM/Group Secretary's annual meeting.

**Action:** Need to find out any future dates.

Date of next meeting: 9<sup>th</sup> March at the Ambulance Headquarters, near the Marriot Hotel, Preston. Committee meeting beforehand.

Details to be sent out nearer the time.