

Ramblers Sheffield 40's Walking Group

Minutes of Committee Meeting

The Fat Cat, Sheffield
May 15th 2017
7.30pm

Present - Wayne Grounsell, Chairman. Emma Myers, Group & Membership Secretary. Jill Brogden, Treasurer. Tracey Lyne, Socials Co-ordinator. Martin Wistow, Walks Co-ordinator.

Apologies: Jez Kenyon, Website Editor.

Chair welcomed all to the meeting and thanked everyone for attending.

1. Minutes of the last committee meeting of March 6th 2017

Proposed by Martin as a true record of the meeting and seconded by Tracey.

2. Matters arising not on the agenda

None

3. Chairman's Report

i) Awards Night

Wayne thanked everyone who was involved especially Tracey who organised the buffet and arranged the awards. A very successful and well organised evening. 38 attended and feedback indicated everyone had very much enjoyed themselves. A profit of £37 was made on the evening.

ii) Minutes Of Area AGM

Final version agreed by all. Wayne will chase our Constitution as we have heard nothing back from Area since it was submitted in November last year.

4. Secretary's Report

No issues to report. All membership records are up to date. We currently have 233 active members. The trend has been upwards for the past three months.

5. Treasurer's Report

No change to the bank account since the last report. Jill will update the spreadsheet so we can see the split between Area funds and our own funds.

Jill has still heard nothing about our funds allocation from Area and will again chase this issue with the Area Treasurer. She emphasised again that if we do receive such monies they must be spent in line with the Ramblers' charitable aims.

Suggestions for such spending were: Mike Dibb's grid reference finders (to be handed out at the anniversary meal? – Tracey will contact Mike to take idea forward). An SWG40s calendar. Merchandising (a table for same at the anniversary meal?).

6. Walk Co-ordinator's Report

There are 19 gaps in the Walk Calendar in the next three months but they are gradually being filled.

There have been 27 walks since the last meeting 10 weeks ago with 22 reports received which is an improvement.

A walk leaders meeting was held in March and the minutes will be issued shortly.

7. Social Co-ordinator's Report

A meeting of the Socials Committee is to be arranged shortly. Jill is planning on attending. The options for the Christmas Meal will be discussed – either a central venue with a buffet and disco or a walk followed by a meal out in the Peaks. Or possibly both?

Peter Robinson is hosting on July 1st a walk along Bampton Cliffs followed by fish and chips at Bridlington.

Other ideas for get togethers were Tramlines and the Three Valleys Festival.

Martin will have a look at the Sheffield to Huddersfield Real Ale Trail.

Tracey will send an email to all Group members inviting new faces on to the Socials Committee and Jill suggested we also open up to all members of the group ideas for and volunteers to arrange further weekends away.

8. Weekend's Away Co-ordinator's Report

Mave's Ambleside weekend took place early May and Colin's Dent weekend is yet to come in June. No feedback yet from Mave's weekend so Jill will ask her about it at the upcoming Socials committee meeting.

Jill will attend future meetings of the Socials Committee to encourage members to get involved in weekends away.

9. Web Editor's Report

Jez was not able to attend but sent a message via Wayne that a) photo uploading is working fine now and b) would all the committee please be careful with any 'phishing' emails.

11. Further Items for Discussion

None

12. Any Other Business

Peter Robinson has agreed to be our Sheffield Country Walk 'Champion'. Wayne will put him in touch with Terry at Sheffield Ramblers to get the discs.

13. Date of Next Meeting

July 3rd at the Fat Cat, 7.30 pm.
The meeting closed at 9.30 pm.