

OHJAC Committee Meeting
TEMPLE METHODIST CHURCH BUDLEIGH SALTERTON
Wednesday 4th March 2009
6.30pm

Minutes

- 1. Apologies for absence.** No apologies, all members present.
- 2. Minutes of the least meeting.** Had been sent to all committee members and were on the website
- 3. Matters arising from the minutes.** There were no matters arising.
- 4. a) Chairman's report.** Continuing computer problems has meant difficulties in checking updates on website. All planned events had taken place. Confirmed that all committee members were willing to continue if no-one else wished to stand for election. Chairman is happy to continue but if anyone else wished to take over she would be willing to stand down.

b) Secretary's report. Reminder emails from the BMC about our renewal had been received as well as other emails and post from various companies about equipment and holidays. Many emails forwarded to members. The BMC group membership has increased to £250 to £210 (for the first 20 members). If we changed our membership date to have all monies paid by 1st March, all members would receive membership cards and copies of their magazine.

c) Treasurer's report. The closing balance is now £132.55 and the present membership of 14 is likely to reduce by 2. Our commitments are £250 to the BMC, £25.50 to the YHA and £15 for the use of the hall this evening so we will need to raise our subscription this year.

d) Event secretary's report. All events since the last committee meeting had gone ahead; Dartmoor High North, Mince Pie, Templer Way and the Christmas social. Future events planned so far are the Easter Bunny walk; Ten Tors, Lake District. We would need to discuss these and other future events this evening.
- 5. Membership Fee** We need to raise the membership fee this year to help pay our expenses. We could raise fee to £15 this year and increase/re-consider in a year's time or pay £20 straight away. Possible ways to raise funds include asking visitors or members who bring them along to pay a contribution/donation, £5 suggested. We could also contact past members and waive their rejoining fee to tempt them back. Peter reminded us that our smaller membership had resulted in a high level of attendance at each event.
- 6. AGM Agenda** As above. Election of officers. We also need to discuss the membership fee and our membership of the BMC.
- 7. Future programme of events**
Friday 10th April Easter Bunny Walk Peter Fletcher has suggested a walk from Belstone.
Saturday 9 May Ten Tors 2008 walk. This may not go ahead, Pete may not be available.
Friday 22nd May – Monday 25th May Lake District to stay in one hostel for three nights several possibilities suggested. Pete will look into where there are vacancies for all those who wish to go and make a provisional booking for the group (probably cheaper than booking individually).
Saturday 6th June Dartmoor walk with Chris Fitzroy TBC
Thursday 9th July Summer stroll and picnic, Lympstone, Candy's Field. TBC
Saturday 19th September SW Coastpath, Brixham to Kingswear

Saturday 3rd – Sunday 4th October A day walk around Portland Bill staying the night in the YH and a walk somewhere on the way back.

Saturday 14th November Exe Valley Way from Stoke Canon to Bickleigh and return to cars by bus.

Charity Walks

Saturday 25th April Midnight Beach Walk, Anthony Nolan Trust. 4 members hoping to take part as the 'Over the Hillers'

Sunday 10th May The Rotary Club Walk at Bicton Arena

<http://www.exmouthrotaryclub.co.uk/the-walk>

Saturday 6th June The Big Midnight Walk for Rowcroft Hospice / MacMillan Cancer Support

Sunday 21st June ELF Challenge Walks on Woodbury Common. There are more distances this year, the longest now 19 and 26 miles. As Woodbury Common is unlikely to be the venue in future, there may be a few interested in taking part.

8. AOB There was no other business

9. Date of next committee meeting Wednesday 11th November at Peter Fletcher's house

10. Date and venue for next AGM TBC, The Fletcher's have kindly offered their house as the venue