

## Minutes of a Dales Way Association Committee Meeting

**The meeting** took place on Sunday 22nd May at the home of Flour & Colin Speakman at 67 Grove Road, Ilkley. Committee members who attended are very grateful for their hospitality.

**Present:** Alyson Coney, Douglas Cossar, John & Sandra Creese, Paul Hannon, David Smith, Colin Speakman, Ken & Margaret Staines.

- 1. An apology** was noted for Frank Sanderson.  
New members of the committee were welcomed.
- 2. The minutes of the previous meeting** were considered & agreed to be a true record. Alyson Coney explained that M.R.Berry was a friend who had come with her to the AGM.
- 3.** There were no significant matters from the previous Minutes (the AGM) that were not covered by the Agenda.
- 4. Membership & Finance.**  
The Treasurer reported that current membership was 211 of whom 118 offered accommodation. There were a further 28 members whose subscription was now due.  
The cash balance at the bank now stood at £984 with no special transactions to report.  
Sale of badges continued & showed a profit to date of nearly £150. The Treasurer stated that he now only had 38 in stock & had asked Frank Sanderson if we could pay him & take over the new stock that he had purchased personally. It was suggested that this might best be managed by a personal visit to Bowness when taken with other matters mentioned in 'Any Other Business' below.
- 5. Way marking.** Colin Speakman & Douglas Cossar agreed to draw up a draft plan for the next meeting. This would include a design for the actual way mark itself. Following agreement they would then proceed to arrange a meeting with the relevant authorities. It would be a firm objective to get new, unique, way marking installed if at all possible before summer 1995.

6. **Lengthsmen.** The Treasurer was pleased to report that he now had volunteers for the entire length of the Dales Way. This involved 15 individuals or couples.

The next step is to draw up some terms of reference for these volunteers. The Treasurer was already planning to do this &, following some discussion at the meeting, will now go ahead. The main points to include were that the section be covered at least twice each year & that a route report form be produced to try & simplify problem reports. In addition reports should be sent in even if there were no problems.

7. **Any other business.**

- a. It was agreed that the Treasurer arrange to visit Frank Sanderson if at all possible to discuss the following:-

1. The future of the Dales Way Register and Diary.
2. The possibility of arranging for Registers to be held at T.I.C's in Bowness & Ilkley for those completing the walk. Contact Lakes Planning Board?
3. Draft form for detailing any problems found on the walk. The aim of this would be to summarise very briefly the problem & separate it from a long account of the whole experience.
4. Pay for & collect stock of badges as mentioned above.
5. Confirm next meeting to be held in Bowness if practicable.

- b. Sandra Creese reported that she had carried out a market survey of suppliers of Sweat Shirts which would incorporate the Association logo. Although not the cheapest it was agreed that the order be given to Advertees.

The sweat shirts would be green with yellow logo. To take advantage of a price break, the first order would be for 51 which could be of differing sizes without affecting the price. Guidance on sizes to be obtained from the Yorkshire Dales Society.

It was agreed that Sandra proceed and place the order urgently so that the goods would be available for resale by Douglas Cossar at the Great Yorkshire Show.

The cost would be £9.00 per item (approx £460.00 total). Postage & packing, if required, would be approx £1.20. It was agreed that the selling price be £12.00 + P&P as above.

- c. An initiative on selling Association goods is needed. The Treasurer is happy, as at present, handling & recording mainly postal orders. Further effort is needed however to effect bulk sales to outside organisations such as T.I.C's etc. Also a price list is to be produced which can be circulated wherever possible (in Guide Books etc ?)

Another thought was for the Association to hold some guide books for resale. Paul Hannon indicated that he saw no problem with this & details will now be investigated before the next meeting.



- d. It was suggested that it would be a very good idea to ask members to arrange a Standing Order for payment of their subscriptions. The Treasurer agreed with this & will incorporate the option when sending out requests for renewal in future.

10. Subject to confirmation by Frank Sanderson, it was agreed that the **next meeting** be held in **Bowness** on either **Sunday 24th or Sunday 31st July 1994**.

## Notice for Committee Meeting.

David Smith

As agreed at the AGM, the next Committee Meeting will be held on Sunday 22nd May at the house of Mr. George Pringle, 100, The Terrace, Bowness, The Isle of Man. The Meeting will commence at 4.00 pm.

### Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of last Meeting. (The AGM)
3. Actions from Minutes. (Where not completed)
4. Membership & Finance.
5. Future action for Way Making the 20th Year
6. Report on Lengthamoor
7. Any other Business.
8. New meetings

*Chris Spinks*

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David Smith will also be speaking at the 20th Anniversary of the 1974-75 season at the Bowness Hotel. There is only 2 seats available unless you book in advance. The booking is starting in the morning in future.

David Smith