

The Dales Way Association
Committee Meeting – Friday 5th July 2019
11am Yeadon Town Hall

Present: Colin Speakman (Chair), Chris Grogan, Tony Grogan, Ryk Downes, Gordon Tasker, Kath Doyle (Minutes).

Apologies: Frank Sanderson, Tony Hill, Donald Holliday.

Meeting called to discuss progress with the plans for the 50th Anniversary celebrations.

DW 50th Anniversary Walk

Colin confirmed that the **DW 50th Anniversary Public Walk** will commence at 10am on 3rd August 2019 from Ilkley Old Bridge to Bolton Abbey. Approximately 2 and a half hours walking.

Actions:

Colin to contact Shirley Woodman and Jack Jowett two of the original walkers of the DW.

Chris and Tony to produce draft Risk Assessment and forward to Colin.

Chris to apply for insurance cover for committee members only at a cost of £99 for 1 year.

Colin, Tony, Chris and Ryk to join the walk and steward.

Volunteer stewards to be sought so that every 20 walkers have a steward.

Colin to ask Burley Walkers Are Welcome and Dales Bus. **Chris** to ask Andy Newing at Take A Hike.

Ryk to approach “Walkers are Welcome Otley” once initial numbers of volunteers are known.

Chris to produce a list of Names, Contact numbers, email addresses and high viz vests.

Chris and Tony to provide First Aid Kit.

Committee agreed to **Chris’s** proposal that two stewards would set off at the front with Colin and each remain at the two road crossings to act as crossing supervisors until the whole walk had safely passed.

Tony and Colin to agree the wording of the map/information sheet to be issued to all walkers.

Tony G to write to the Police and **Gordon** to write to North Yorkshire County Council Highways Department and Bolton Abbey Estate as a courtesy to let them know the event is taking place.

Chris to issue the commemorative book to John Grogan MP by post.

Colin to send the book to Roger Ratcliffe journalist who writes for Yorkshire Post.

Colin to conduct H and S briefing at start of the walk.

Chris to produce press release

Colin to speak to Keith at Transdev re standby buses should the 2 vintage buses be insufficient for returning walkers.

DW 50th Anniversary Exhibition

Kath and Gordon to remain at the Manor House on 3rd August to finalise details for the exhibition.

Kath to write to organisations with details of likely visitor numbers (100+ per day) and when they can deliver exhibition materials direct to the Manor House which is Fri 2nd Aug between the hours of 9am-2pm. If this is not convenient they are to email Nick at the Manor House to agree a suitable time.

Kath and Gordon to set up the exhibition on Fri 2nd August .5 tables will be provided by the Manor House for exhibits.

Nick will ask Solar Gallery to stock the DW Commemorative Book and sell them to visitors-cash or card (Small fee deducted for card transactions). Manor House will arrange to transfer the payments to the DWA.

Tony to produce a poster stating book available from the Solar Gallery upstairs.

Kath to contact Gill Russell at Hawkshead(Craghoppers) at new email address to see if they wish to contribute to the exhibition.

Kath/Gordon Take down of the exhibits will be after 4pm on Sunday 1st September and completed by close Monday 2nd September.

Committee members to take publicity leaflets to the following places:

Kath/Gordon –Yeadon Town Hall, Manor House, Clarke Foley Centre, Guiseley Football Club, DW Fitness Yeadon, Yeadon & Guiseley Library, Menston Community Library, Flying Duck, Mountain Warehouse Guiseley, Grassington TIC and other locations.

Ryk- Otley Library

Colin – Burley Library

Chris – Shipley and Keighley Libraries

Gordon to approach Briggs Printers to produce a photocopied booklet of the full transcripts of Dales Way Memories to be displayed at the exhibition. Max. cost £50 agreed by committee.

DW Ultramarathon

Ryk confirmed that there are 140 participants registered, with 10 dropping out. He expects a flurry of last minute entrants. All checkpoints are resolved except Bolton Abbey and Ryk is meeting with Moira Smith next week.

Ryk has some marshals agreed and will put out an appeal to various groups for volunteers.

Date of next committee meeting Fri 6th September 2019 venue to be confirmed.

Action- Chris to check if Tony Hill /Donald Holiday available to attend and then decide venue.

Any other business. There being no other business the meeting closed at 13:00