

THE CAMPING AND CARAVANNING CLUB



MOUNTAIN ACTIVITY SECTION (Formerly The Mountaineering Section)

Minutes of the 83rd Annual General Meeting which took place at The War Memorial Hall Ashford in the Water Derbyshire on Saturday 29th April 2017

The meeting commenced at 7pm. 80 members attended the meeting.

1. Chairman's opening remarks.

Trev Masters welcomed everyone to the 83rd AGM, 2017 being the 30th anniversary of the Mountain Activity Section. He also welcomed Derek Buckle, one of the 3 Dereks who reformed the section in 1987. He thanked everyone in Peakland Area for arranging a fantastic weekend. He said that the MAS is not just surviving but thriving as all Areas hold well attended meets which everyone enjoys. As always the hardest thing is finding committee members and so he thanked all Area Committee members.

2. Apologies for absence.

Terry Bishop Malcolm and Christine Clough Andrew and Catriona Wood Barry and Rosemary Cowlard Viv Stevens Dick and Betty Lear John and Margaret Allen Pat Mitchell Mick and Lyn Murray Andy and Hazel Caldwell Ina and Jon Hanson Mick Loughran John and Frances Doyle Christine and Ian Field Carol Harris Mick and Lindy Pink Martin and Sue Shelley

3. Minutes of 82nd AGM held at Sixpenny Handley Village Hall on Saturday 30th April 2016 for acceptance

Acceptance proposed: Toni Busutill-Reynaud Seconded: John Gerner
Agreed unanimously.

4. Annual report of the section by the Hon. Secretary

In 2016 the MAS successfully held one THS and 37 meets. There were children at some meets, mostly in Peakland Area. The Section finances are good even after new Area flags were purchased and disbursements were made to each Area. "Activity" won the Burnham Trophy in 2016. The Editor Toni Busutill-Reynaud was congratulated. This was the third time the MAS has won the trophy. Advertising the MAS, to attract new members, continues in various ways and there is continual liaison with The Club and the Section Forum.

5. Accounts for the Section for the year ending 31st December 2016

The Treasurer gave her report for 2016. There were no questions and Jenny Williams was thanked for all her work as Treasurer.

6. Auditors Report

The auditors were not present but the Secretary had received their report. It was a positive report with no comments.

7. Adoption of the Accounts

Proposed: Dave Lewis Seconded: Deb Masters Agreed unanimously.

8. Scottish Area Funds

The Chairman explained the situation. The Scottish Area disbanded more than 5 years ago. It was decided then that the funds would be held in a separate account within the Section funds. As the Area has not reformed after 5 years it was decided by the Section Council that the funds should be transferred to the Section.

Transfer proposed: Colin Wild seconded: Christine Stevenson Agreed unanimously.

9. Report of PRO/Website Coordinator

John Gerner gave his report outlining 2016 including the new publicity flags, MAS clothing and the MAS photo competition. He also explained the latest developments with the website. John was thanked for his work especially with the website.

10. Report of the Section Advisory Officer to the National Council

Howard Crosland outlined the content of the five National Council meetings he had attended in 2016. From 2019 the NFOL will be on the 3rd Saturday of September. John Allen is on the Rights of Way Committee and Diane Goodyear is on the Ramblers Committee. As Howard is retiring from this position he was thanked for all the work he has done over the years on everyone's behalf.

11. Report of the Section Youth Liaison Officers

Howard and Anne Crosland have attended several Youth Rallies during the year. There were 5 MAS Youth at the National Youth Rally held at Worksop and 4 are due to go to the Yorkshire Region Rally next week. Howard and Anne were both thanked for all the work they have done for the Youth of the Section.

12. Report of the Membership Secretary

Les Morton gave his report. There are currently 605 members. Although the Section continually gains and loses members, the membership total is fairly stable. It is the active membership that is important and all Areas have well attended meets.

13. Notice of appointment of President/Vice President (Proposed by Section Council)

President 2017/18 Andrew Wood

Vice Presidents 2017/18 - Carole Booth Christine Stevenson Terry Bishop Diane Goodyear

14. Notice of Appointment of Hon. Treasurer 2017

Jenny Williams

15. Notice of Appointment of Section Youth Liaison Officers 2017

Howard and Anne Crosland

16. Election of Officers

Retiring members:

TrevMasters (Chairman); Les Morton (Vice-Chairman); Yvonne Plevey (Elected member)

They are all willing to be re-elected.

Re-election proposed: Howard Crosland Seconded: Sandra Wild Unanimous agreement.

17. Retiring appointed Members of the Committee: Ruth Brown (Minutes Secretary) and Sheila Newsome (Regalia Officer) are retiring. They were both thanked for their work. Sandra Wain had offered to be Minutes Secretary.

Proposed: Yvonne Plevey Seconded: Sandra Wild Unanimous agreement.

18. To announce the representatives to the Section Council from the Mountain Activity Section Areas 2017/18

Northern: Lesley Storey

Peakland: Sandra Wild

Wessex: Deb Masters

19. Election of Auditors

John Allen is willing to continue as auditor and Pat Mitchell has not said she is unwilling.
Re-election proposed: Alistair Richards Seconded: Geoff Booth Unanimous agreement.

20. Membership subscription 2017/18. As set by the Council £6.00

21. New Constitutions

There are to be new constitutions for Sections and Section Areas. A short-life working party will be formed from the Section Council to outline suggestions and to feed back by January 2018.

22. Date, time and venue of AGM 2018

The 2018 FoW&C will take place at Craken House Farm Leyburn North Yorkshire May 3rd-10th The AGM will be on Saturday May 5th 2018 at 7pm.
There will be no follow-on meet as the AGM weekend is a THS.

The meeting closed at 7.37pm.

OPEN FORUM

Les Morton announced that there were 60 units at the meet. 47 MAS and 13 visitors. He thanked everyone for attending. He apologized for the Elsan arrangements and thanked Robin Grayson for piping a water supply.

Pauline Porter asked a question about reps to regions from Section Areas. John Gerner replied that this was an Area issue and not a Section issue. All Areas can keep in touch with regions electronically.