

Borders Exploration Group Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday 6 October 2016
Time: 7:30pm
Place: Peebles Community Centre

Item	Responsible person
1 Welcome and Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present: David Hunter, Ruth Longmuir, Jim McPherson • Apologies: Ron Sutherland, Christine Anderson, Nancy Anderson, Eilidh Walker, Rosie Stewart, Ross Purves, Pam Hunter 	
2 Minute of the previous meeting (August 2016) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minute of the last meeting was provisionally approved. 	
3 Matters arising from previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The best way to communicate with the whole committee is to use individual email addresses. There are no plans to use Facebook at present. • There was some discussion about the PVG progress for the Bolivia leaders – Ruth will ask Nancy for an update. • Ruth has received a communication inviting bookings for the market stalls in Hawick by the end of the year. David to mention this to Pam and Jane. • The venue for the AGM still needs to be confirmed. 	<p>Ruth</p> <p>David</p>
4 Chair's business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No business. 	
5 Treasurer's business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosie provided accounts and an update – there has been little change. 	
6 Premises <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David, Rosie, Nancy and Ron have been to see the Mountain Rescue premises in Selkirk and think it is a real possibility. They would like the whole committee to see it – needs to be a Wednesday night. It was decided that Jim will organise a visit for Wednesday 2 November at 7pm. Assuming the rest of the committee is in favour, then enquiries will be made into acquiring the premises. • There is some question over heating costs which are currently about £1200 per year. It is likely that heating could be reduced as it wouldn't need to be on all the time for our equipment (as it is for theirs). 	
7 Expeditions <p>Bolivia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a strong possibility of one doctor and another is being sought. • The group fundraising quiz in Selkirk was very successful. • The first training weekend went well. Ron has joined the training team. Plans are underway for the second training weekend. <p>European Expedition 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Destination proposals should be made at the AGM and it was agreed to send out an email inviting these. 	

8	<p>Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tibet Talk. Two Bolivia leaders are talking about their separate Tibet experiences to raise money for group funds – Eastgate Theatre in Peebles 28 October, Heriot Watt in Galashiels on 26 October. Tickets from any Bolivia team member, £8. • It is unclear whether a date has been set for a Christmas meal. Geraldine/Ross to be consulted. 	Geraldine/Ross
9	<p>Best Practice Guidelines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David has not yet actioned the document retention actions so these are carried forward to next time: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>David will speak to Youth Borders for advice on retention periods and what the requirements are</i> 	David
10	<p>Any Other Competent Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Members. A number of current committee members have intimated their desire to step down at the AGM. It was suggested that Kieron Riddle be asked to join. • Tents. Permission was granted for two Coleman shelters to be bought. It should be checked whether they come with substantial steel tent pegs and if not then some should be purchased separately. 	
11	<p>Dates and Venues of Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016 AGM Tuesday 15 November, 7.30pm (venue TBC) 	

Future agenda items: