

Borders Exploration Group Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday 19 January 2016

Time: 7:30pm

Place: Melrose Parish Church

Item	Responsible person
<p>1 Welcome and Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present: Geraldine Bouglas, Ron Sutherland, Ruth Longmuir, Ross Purves, Christine Anderson, Rosie Stewart, Nancy Anderson • Apologies: Jim McPherson, David Hunter, Julie Smith, Pam Hunter, Jono Ellis 	
<p>2 Minute of the previous meeting (October 2015) Approved by Geraldine and seconded by Christine.</p> <p>Minute of the previous meeting (AGM November 2015) Approved by Christine and seconded by Ross.</p>	
<p>3 Matters arising from previous minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banff Mountain Film Festival – Ross to e-mail about spare tickets. • Austria Expedition – return of all equipment to be confirmed. • BEG Stores – Did an inventory and clean up take place? • RSGS – David Langworth has joined BEG, Ron to join RSGS (private membership). Query if BEG can have a group membership of RSGS or if this is no longer possible. 	<p>Ross Jim Nancy</p> <p>Ron</p>
<p>4 Chair's business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No business 	
<p>5 Treasurer's business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Figures from report to be confirmed and sent by e-mail. 	Rosie
<p>6 Secretary's business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No business. 	
<p>7 Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016 Programme to be confirmed. Aim to hold one walk or event every month. Events team meeting to be arranged to discuss. • Programme to be drafted by next committee meeting. (Mon 29th Feb.) • Julie Smith has left the committee and will no longer be involved in events team. • Possibility that Brazil team member could join events team. • Tower Trophy 2016 – update from Nancy. 	Ross/ Geraldine
<p>8 Expeditions</p> <p>Austria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report is complete and needs sent to venturers. • Confirmation needed of which equipment is still to be returned. • Feedback meeting was cancelled and needs to be re-arranged. <p>Brazil</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertisements for leaders were placed in the Border Telegraph and Peebleshire News. Applications were of a high standard and 10 leaders attended selection. Applicants have now been selected but not yet informed. • David, Nancy & Rosie met with Doctors Alistair and Doreen, who were on the 2014 expedition to Malawi, to confirm their position as 	Jim Jim Rosie/David

	<p>doctors for Brazil 2017.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Venturer selection weekend to take place 14th/15th February. • It is hoped that unsuccessful applicants can be encouraged to remain involved in future BEG events. • Note that radio and newspaper adverts for leaders were very successful in this round of recruitment. 	
9	<p>Newsletter Articles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christine to send BEG profile to Pam. • North Ettrick ridge walk summary to be written. • Brazil update from the team. • Review of the Banff Mountain Film Festival to be written. • Scafell Pike walk outwith recent events – not to be included. 	Christine Ron David BEG attendee (TBC)
10	<p>Any Other Competent Business</p> <p>Vice Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geraldine has chosen to stand down from her position as vice-chair but will remain on the committee. • Thanks was extended to Geraldine for her time as vice-chair. • Replacement for the role will need to be found. <p>Tower Trophy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nancy, Allan and Jim have decided that due to their other commitments they will not re-commence organisation of a Tower Trophy event for 2016. • Nancy noted that Andrew Grant's daughter Rosie is keen to continue to hold an event at Riddell Estate and that a future planning team could liaise with Rosie. • The Tower Trophy team hope that new people with fresh ideas will take on the event for 2017. Further discussion is to take place regarding type of event, fundraising needs and ownership of event BEG/Riddell. <p>Committee Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed that although alternating the venues and days of the meetings had been beneficial to some, the cost of venue hire had increased considerably. • The Argus Centre which costs £3.75 is the cheapest option and the committee decided to return to the centre as a permanent venue. • The meetings will rotate according to availability Mon/Wed/Thur. 	
11	<p>Dates and Venues of Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All meetings are to be held in the Argus Centre, Selkirk at 7.30pm (subject to being able to book the venue) <p>Monday 29th February Wednesday 13th April Thursday 19th May Monday 27th June Wednesday 24th August Thursday 6th October</p> <p>2016 AGM Tuesday 15th November (venue TBC)</p>	

Future agenda items: