

Dukeries U3a Committee Meeting 11th April 2023

Present

Leslye Henstock – chair

Barry Caiiieu – treasurer/deputy chair

Barbara Baglee – secretary

Pam Hardwick – charity donations coordinator

John Harris – newsletter editor

Kevin Malloy – committee member

Chris Neighbour – committee member

Wendy Neighbour- membership coordinator

Apologies

Ann Street, Jane Young.

Minutes of the last meeting, proposed by Pam Hardwick seconded by Kevin Malloy Signed by Leslye Henstock.

1 Members Meeting 17/04/23

Kevin, greet speaker, put up Ann's display. Wendy and Chris, membership table.

Leslye and Kevin, ticket sales John, audio visual. There are quite a few new members who will need to be greeted and looked after. Speaker at 2pm.

2 Beetle drive feedback.

It was a very good evening. Good fun and people felt totally included. The catering was first class. It is a good idea to time it just after the open day. If new members come alone, they will feel welcome and included.

3 Open day feedback.

This was a big success. Currently, we have 110 members- 107 full members, 2 associate members and 1 honorary member. There are about 50 members who are still to renew. Badges are ready for the next meeting. A big thank you to Wendy for all her hard work.

4 Funding/treasurer.

A big thank you was also recorded to Barry. We are pleased he is feeling a little better and hope he will soon be 100%. It would be a good idea to send an email to group leaders letting them know how much money is in their group account. When paying by bank transfer members need to reference their name and what they are paying for. All receipts have been sent in for the £1000 grant. £ 995 was spent. In the future payments for each outing will be recorded separately. The coal Board grant of £500 has been approved and will be split between publicity and events. Ann will now order her feather banner. Barry will ask for help if he needs it.

5 Royal Knees Up

We need to sell 60 tickets. The committee have agreed to support the event in case of shortfall. Guests are welcome. John will put together an advert.

6 Royal Knees up

About 60 tickets have been sold, we hope for around 65. Barbara reported that some members haven't bought tickets because they think we are having a rock band. Leslye to address. Ann is doing some posters. We will be using trestle tables and white tablecloths. We already have bunting.

7 A.G.M.

We need an annual report and a finance report. Committee to be voted for, we still require a deputy chair. There will be updates from the membership manager and group coordinator, also from the charity organiser. John will not be here to do a newsletter update. Cakes will be served and there will be a sing along. Details to be worked out with John Banbury.

8 Thank you to committee members and group leaders.

This will be discussed next time.

9 Publicity.

RSPB event May 9th. Kevin to be there, other volunteers needed. We have the offer of a gazebo; Kevin will provide table and chairs.

10 Legislation and expectations.

Leslye has queried the necessity of having qualified instructors for such groups as Pilates where, if mistakes are made, members could be injured. Apparently, there is no legal requirement. Members are responsible for their own safety although of course group leaders should take all reasonable care and undertake a risk assessment.

11 Charity.

Pam reported that the Knit and Natter group donated £38 from their sale at the open day. The raffle at the Beetle Drive raised £164. The total raised now stands at £3,736.60. We hope to reach £4,000 by the end of the year. Wendy and Chris will drop off excess bring and buy items at a charity shop on their way home from the meetings.

12 Activity groups.

The photography group has moved to Ambleside due to a problem with the previous venue. Collaboration with Forest Town, Warsop U3as and us is increasing.

The meeting closed at 11.45am.