

# Minutes Of Last Meeting

VENUE:- Horse & Groom Polegate

DATE:- 14/08/2002

Apologies:- Dean, Mel (didn't hear from poor show)  
Viki (we think is or was on holiday)

Present:- You know who you were!!!!

There were no problems with the minutes of the last meeting.

Matters:-

West:- Liz Coles is of co-ordinator age but not for much longer so there is a notion for Del to contact her and see about her becoming the area leader for West. Del is going to contact her and keep the necessary people up-dated on progress.

Dave Jackson was also in the frame however he believed the position to be a district appointment and only wanted to do it if this was the case, but we all know that network is county.

Northern:- Unfortunately we have had to give up on Mr Taylor contact seems impossible (mmmm). Don't panic though there is another plan emerging (as always), Del has offered to e-mail Jim about another way of contacting Guy and seeing if he will be leader of Northern.

East:- There is a name on the scene for leader, but as of yet it is not being disclosed so I can't really write anything here apart from that negotiations are being held at the moment.

Website:- Reports are fine, although some one did forget to bring the camera to take the mug shots for the web (everyone sighed with relief there). Pictures of expeditions will be going live shortly so please do check them out! The family tree is also now up and running which can only be a good thing.

Awards:- 29<sup>th</sup> August still up in the air not sure who, what, when and how????

## NETWORK STATUS

Membership:- There are at present (14/08/02) 40 names down as network however every one agreed that this number needs to be increased rapid like.

Website (yes again):- Waiting for names who have indicated that they will register on-line. Steve is currently working on the dynamic diary, this is planned to have all information about all activities county wide aswell as a secure area for co-ordinators to be able to log in and enter, change, erase or indeed play with their data as they see fit (within reason of course).

Co-ordinators:- Need to invite Del to a typical meeting so that he can run a presentation and inform on how a network group should be run and indeed how to set up once this has been done then the network group can be set up and registered.

National Conference:- It has been suggested that a healthy network number within a county is about 300, Essex however have 800? (that's not fair!).

Nationally:- SAGO have warned that if we want to recruit the visiting university students then we will need to have activities planned for the evening we shot off to the respective uni.

C.R.B forms are to be channelled through the network, Del has all of the guide lines that need to followed for this.

Good news? depends on how you look at it, area leaders are to take secondary roles these will be elaborated on at a later date, don't panic I'm sure all will be fine.

The committee as it stands needs to have a conference, every net worker is to be invited as it is to elect a committee, this could be interesting. This is all the information given so far no dates or venues have been discussed or decided this one needs to played by ear.

Finance:- There aren't any major changes here, County network commissioners are on the County finance committee, the network committee it self will be held responsible for funding the section, however banking will continue through the county and two signatures will be needed.



Finance:- It has been suggested that it will need to make £250 to break even. We only have four people committed (as at 14/08/02) this number may have increased.

Hastings say they have 30-40 going, Eastbourne reckon on about the same, Hailsham & Heathfield said possibly 30, no word from the other districts however the general figure is said to be about the same if word can get out. People who do attend will be charged £5 per head this cost will be used to cover food and supplies.

Activities:- This has been flagged as somewhat as a concern, due to the lack of communications from people about whether they will be going, it has become difficult to plan activities around numbers also it was asked that districts provide an activity in the afternoon, so far we only have two districts that supplied such activities.

Broadstone have made available all on site activities during the morning until about 1pm, these will incur a separate charge which the attending ventures will need to pay, there will also be water sports provided until 2pm.

There are also planned re-unions at the wake for old ventures from all over the county to meet up with friends. Who have moved away and so forth.

The Pig:- this is where the majority of the £5 per head will be going, it will be spit roasted (nice) any one who comes along after the pig devouring may well have to pay a discounted rate this has yet to be confirmed. Total catering is to estimated for about 100-200 people.

To make sure that people know who other people are and the fact that we know who has paid for the meals there will be pin badges of some description issued at the registration desk up on booking in. The badge may well be a two tire tearable one so you have can have lunch and dinner on the same ticket/ badge.

Menu:- Lunch has been budgeted at £1 per head, all VIPS, guests and helpers are to be fed for free, the list of these names needs to be submitted to the relevant people so they can organise. The people on the list will have inside catering the layout for this was discussed and ideas were bounced off the walls but no definite plans have been laid as it is all subject to change dependent on weather.

The spit has not been paid for as of yet, the invoice is to be sent through to the county treasurer, who needs chasing Steve is going to be the chaser in this case.

General:- East Sussex is going to be the first wake to go, however they will going all over the country soon.

There was a push for signs to be made, Graham will be handling this side of things, dates were arranged for the pick up of the coffin, mess are being supplied by Eastbourne.

**WAS ASKED TO PUT THIS DATE IN FOR BEAVER FUN DAY 29/06/03 any help would be good.**

Roger is to a press release about the wake and that will be published very soon keep an eye out for that.

Investures :- There were ideas about investing explorers into the network at midnight of 31<sup>st</sup> August, (indeed as I was writing up the minutes an e-mail came through from Steve Simms which said this was indeed the case and full uniform will need to handy to change into, the investures will be at midnight + 1min).

The date of the next meeting was not formally agreed but it will be after the wake.

The meeting has no closed thank you all for attending see you next time.