

WTMC committee meeting

Meeting minutes

14 August 2013 18:00

TTC Hall, Moncrieff Street, Wellington

Present: Sharron Came (Chair), Donna Maher, Helen Law, Craig McGregor, Mike Gilbert, Amanda Wells, Mike Phethean, Megan Sety, Sue Walsh, Richard Lardner & Pete Gent.

Apologies: Steve Austin, Brian Goodwin, Debbie Buck & David Heffernan

1. Apologies were received from Steve Austin, Brian Goodwin, Debbie Buck & David Heffernan. Matters and Minutes from the July committee meeting.

Richard L has purchased the supplementary plates for the club vans

Sharron has yet to find a Wednesday night money person (note since our meeting Brendan Eckhart has volunteered).

Minutes were moved by Mike P

Seconded by Sue W

Passed unanimously

2. Membership

The following applications were received - Senior members x 3: Richard House, Sam Thornton and Fiona Elliott.

Nominated by Mike G

Seconded by Megan

Passed unanimously

3. New Member's night

Discussions were held regarding a second new member's night for the start of Spring. Various dates were discussed, with October 9 being confirmed. Extra effort is needed to help with the lead up to new member's night – **AP David/Sharron/Sue** to lead the effort in the coming 6 weeks. David to organise some posters to be put up in outdoor shops and member's workplaces ahead of 9 Oct date plus call for volunteers to help out on the night. Sharron to organise promotional slideshow. Sue to organise short talk introducing club and refreshments.

Alan Higgins along with Marie H have offered to lead Bush-craft approx. 4 weeks after new members night to allow sign ups.

Mike P updated progress on the trip schedule and noted it is on track to meet the demands of E and E/M in the weeks following October's new member's night as well as being nice and busy.

#### 4. Website and electronic trip sign up

It was noted that Nicky Shields has offered to help out with the website work programme. Mike G in the process of bringing her up to speed.

For electronic trip sign up Mike G laid out options for a couple of methods of signing up via the interweb. These are:

Use website based form to email trip leaders with usual details needed for signing up /organising a trip

Or

Use meetup.com as an interface to book and organise trips.

Mike is currently using meetup for some lodge based trips, however both options had their backers in the group but open minds are required in this area as it is still work in progress. Agreed that Mike should find a couple of trip leaders to trial using the meetup interface in parallel with the usual trip sheets and report back.

#### 5. Tramping packs in the gear room

Agreed that the Club will keep in the gear locker and for loan to punters tramping packs . Agreed that a small hire charge to be levied for repeat pack hirers to encourage such people to purchase their own pack in due course. Noted pack availability needs publicity. – **AP Pete** to write gear article for the newsletter.

#### 6. Committee social night

David noted that bookings were only available later in the week at the Southern Cross. After various diary checks, September 2 at 6pm for current and ex officio officers was agreed upon **AP All to attend and David to invite former committee**

**members.**

7. Bivouac gear night

Megan has been in contact with Bivouac regarding a gear night. The upshot is that Bivouac will offer:

- i. A discount night for club members in store
- ii. A presenter (with possible attendance from company reps) for a club night
- iii. A discount voucher for those attending new member's night

**AP Megan and David** to coordinate the bookings

8. Other business

- i. Education on van warning lights will be addressed after warning lights were noted in "WTMC" last weekend on a trip – **AP Richard**
- ii. Mike G's use of meetup.com for the lodge is to continue with Donna being added to the drivers available.
- iii. Sue is unable to be at club on August 28, so Donna will social convene for the evening – **AP Donna**
- iv. 2 new members nights are to be run each year to cater for the post winter new trampers as well as new year trampers.
- v. Minor debter issue to be followed up - **AP Mike G** along with Mike P and Sharron as appropriate
- vi. Megan will be running free tramping yoga for the next 2 Wednesdays at 6pm before club
- vii. The date of the next committee meeting is September 11 at 6pm at the TTC hall.

The meeting was closed at 19:15