

Craven Mountaineering Club
Minutes of Committee Meeting 218
Wednesday 21st July – Held on Zoom

Present:

Roy Bradley (RB), John Brayshaw (JB), Andy Barton (AB), Michael Faulkner (MF), Kara Heald (KH), Dick Winslow (DW), Andy Hudson (AH)

1. Chairperson's welcome.

RB opened the meeting at 7:35pm.

2. Apologies for absence.

None

3. Adoption of minutes of meeting 217 held on 25th April 2021

Proposed: AH

Seconded: KH

4. Committee member updates :

• **Huts:**

- No hut meets have been held since the last committee meeting
- Plas y Brenin deferred to 1st-3rd July 2022
- No Christmas hut meet is booked for this year, but there is a booking for 2022
- Despite relaxation of Covid restrictions, there will be no immediate restarting of hut meets as it is likely that members of clubs owning huts will be first in the queue for bookings, plus, soundings of the CMC membership indicate a degree of hesitancy around committing to hut meets at the moment
- Recognising the above, consideration is to be given to running a mid-week hut meet with a small allocation of bed spaces as a way of building confidence in hut use

• **Communications:**

- A mini newsletter was suggested to update members on hut meet proposals, future climbing meets, the latest BMC guidance, and what is expected from members attending meets

• **Walks:**

- Once the position on risk assessments has been decided, DW will arrange two walks, and invite others to offer to lead further walks

• **Climbing:**

- Mid-week meets are going well with attendance averaging five to eight climbers

• **New Members:**

- At the time of the meeting there were eight current prospects, of whom the following were proposed for membership:
 - Steve Boy. Proposed by Dave Wynne, seconded by Rob Pamment
 - Ray Sharples. Proposed by Andy Barton, seconded by Dan Justice
 - Alex Currie. Proposed by Kim Kelly, seconded by Dick Winslow
- One of the applicants had not attended three official meets, although he had attended at least two impromptu meets organised via the CMC climbing

WhatsApp group, and has climbed regularly with his proposer. Recognising this, and the decision at meeting 213 to waive the three meets rule due to pandemic restrictions, all applications were approved

5. Definition of an official meet

Arising from the new member applications it was felt necessary to clarify the requirements for an official meet:

- An official meet is one scheduled by the meet coordinator and publicised on the website
- When it is necessary to change the venue of an official meet, because of local weather conditions for example, then the coordinator may approve an alternative venue provided that the following conditions are satisfied:
 - In the absence of the coordinator, a full member of the club must be identified to act as a contact point for timings, meeting up point, car sharing and ensure that:
 - Any prevailing procedures for meets are complied with, for example the procedures following from the Covid-19 risk analysis
 - Any prospective members are observed

6. Impact of end of Covid restrictions

Expectations of members attending meets will be incorporated into the meet postings for both climbing and walking

7. Review of risk assessments

Existing risk assessments are to be retained for a period of three years. For the time being, attendance lists should continue to be compiled and retained for three weeks

8. Christmas Social

A walk followed by a meal is to be arranged by AB and DW

9. A.O.B.

- One member, who is also a member of another club, has donated the refund of his duplicated BMC payment to the CMC
- For the remainder of the year it was agreed to hold subscriptions for new members at the rate of the BMC levy, which, from the 1st July is 50% of the full year rate
- It was agreed that two sample garments with the CMC logo would be donated to charity
- For the time being committee meetings will continue to take place on Zoom, and consideration is to be given to paying the Zoom fees by direct debit

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 8th September at 7:30 pm

11. Meeting closed at 9:05 pm