

Minutes

**Red Rope Socialist Walking and Climbing Club National Committee meeting,
6.30 pm, Oct 1st, 2021, via Zoom.**

Present: Dave Symonds, Dave Doody, Humphrey Southall, Becky Bates, Steve Wright, Sarah Bates, Gill Platt, Gill Cox, Mark Ryle, Jon Marsden, Janet Saunders

Apologies: Barbara Segal, Robert Manby.

Chair: Dave Symonds

Minutes: Jon Marsden

Item + Comments	Action	Who
<u>1. Covid precautions</u> Following the experience of the recent Scottish trip, it was decided that we should have a risk assessment for each trip taking into account the nature of the risk of each individual hut. Our COVID trips document needs to be updated regarding: - Symptoms should include those associated with Delta variant - The organiser should find out where trip members can get a PCR test - A trip meeting should decide what each member will do if they develop symptoms whilst on the trip. - If a member is informed they are a contact of a case of infection, they should not go on the trip, or if during the trip, they should go home. Undecided whether the club should subsidise their travel expenses. - A lateral flow test is obligatory for all members 1. before the trip 2. during the trip if more than 3 days, and 3. after the trip. - The trip organiser should bring a supply of testing kits and get anyone who failed to self-test in advance of the trip to test on arrival.	Mark to ask Robert to share his very rough template.	Mark, Robert
<u>2.Membership renewal</u> Proposal to move to payment either by Auto-Renewing Direct Debit, or by Cheque. Members to be asked if they agree. If more than 20% say "No", we will discuss again.	Contact all members individually to seek agreement. Write a short article of explanation for the Bulletin	Humphrey
<u>3.Review of Hathersage National Weekend.</u> Went well without a meeting. How to incorporate a discussion capable of deciding policy is a discussion for another day. Approaches to COVID precautions were clearly not shared universally, which was a useful lesson from the trip.		
<u>4.Plans for 90th Kinder Mass Trespass Anniversary, 2022</u> Book accommodation through Thorpe Farm in houses / cottages. Potential for up to 28 spaces. Camping may also be available.	Book 20 spaces	Becky
<u>5.Navigation course</u> Agreed to canvas opinion and gauge take-up of a weekend course for women only, to be held in the Spring of 2022 after the clocks go forward. LMC hut at Beddgelert to be booked for a suitable weekend and if not used for the course, to be used for a trip.	Canvas opinion via national discussion list. Make a booking at Cae Ysgubor.	Dave S. Barbara

<u>AOB 1: Banner</u> Agreed to approach London Red Rope about having a banner made, wording to make it re-usable for any event, paid for from national account within a reasonable budget.	Ask London committee	Humphrey
<u>AOB 2: Winter Mountaineering trip</u> February trip to be advertised in MIS specifying that the focus is on winter mountaineering. A minimum of half the places to go to people expressing an interest in winter mountaineering.	Hut to be booked and entry made in MIS	Becky, Sarah