

YORK H F RAMBLING CLUB



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Dear Member,

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On Tuesday 13th October, the General Committee held 'virtual' committee meeting using Zoom. Here is a summary of the discussions and agreed actions emanating from that meeting.

- The Committee meeting was well attended and chaired by the Club's President Norman Dixon, who expressed thanks to Tony Anderson for organising and hosting the 'Zoom' meeting.
- The committee were advised that the Club's bank (Barclay's) had now registered Tony Anderson as the Treasurer of the Club. The club's accounts would be online and soon payment of annual subscriptions and coach ramble fees would be able to be paid direct using BACS.
- The committee were advised that the last coach ramble, the first for a long while, to Fountain's Abbey had gone well with no incidents. Social distancing had been observed, face masks worn, and appropriate sanitising taken place to make everyone as safe as possible; which all contributed to an enjoyable day.
- The committee learnt that the coach ramble to Fountain's Abbey had been subsidised by £110.00, because of the limited number allowed on the coach this subsidy was expected. The committee had previously agreed to subsidise the coach rambles until the end of the year; then the situation would be reviewed.
- It was reported that there was a little confusion about booking for the Sunday coach rambles, booking for these rambles should always be done through the Rambles Booking Secretary, Rita Rawnsley.
- It was also pleasing to hear that several local rambles had also taken place and that others were being organised. These are being advertised on the Club's website, giving route, mileage and joining details.
- The committee were advised that the financial arrangements for the 2021 Spring weekend at Sedburgh were well advanced. Diane Kirk will be contacting participating members to advise of member's outstanding balances in the near future. Brian and Diane Kirk have recently returned from a holiday in HF house and reported that two sittings for the meals were organised and no evening talks or games were allowed. Restrictions may have eased a little when we go.
- Increasingly the Club is using emails to communicate with members. If you have just acquired a device which will accept emails please let the Membership Secretary (Jim Stonehouse) know, likewise let him know if you have changed you email address. We are mindful that not everyone can receive emails, so it has been arranged that a committee member will deliver a hard copy of the Club's emails to that minority.
- The committee were reminded that the Club did not have a 'Scrutineer' for the Club's accounts. Ideally this post should be filled by some-one who is not a member of the Club. But rules have been relaxed a little, so now this post can be filled by a Club member who is not on the committee. If you know of anyone who might fill this post, please let a member of the committee know.
- It was decided to produce another newsletter containing favourite poems, reports or memories of rambles, anecdotes, or any article that may be of interest to members. If you would wish to contribute, please advise Tony Anderson or Roy Love. Roy has agreed to promote this idea.
- The committee were pleased to learn that Bernard Emmel had left a legacy of £500.00 to the Club. Members who have been in the Club for some time will remember Bernard as a great servant of the Club for many years, we thank him for that service and his gift in remembrance of the happy times rambling.
- The committee has strived to make the coach and local rambles as safe as possible and be

compliant with the current restrictions. It is hoped that members will be able to support these events as the Club tries to keep active during these difficult times.

- I hope you find the above information useful – stay safe.

Ivan Martin  
General Secretary