

Fleckney Walking Club
Annual General Meeting
1st March 2022

Present:

Tony Kilsby	Janet Earwaker
Kathy Kilsby	Phil Williams
Janet Long	Dave Harvey
Deborah Martin	Andy Collins (Chair)
Mary Arnold	Gill Bridgeman
Helen Morrison	Dave Morrison

Apologies:

Rita Pearce	Sheila Varnum
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Minutes of AGM 2021

Andy Collins read out the Minutes from 2021 August AGM. It was agreed to accept the Minutes as a true record. This was proposed by Janet Earwaker and seconded by Tony Kilsby

Summary of 2021

The chairman outlined a summary of activities since our last meeting and a summary of all 2021 walks is attached as **Appendix A**

Reports:

Treasurer –

Club Funds stand at £91.20 after paying 2022 Insurance and Band Hall hire. (See **Appendix B**)

Subscriptions remain at £10 for full members and £5 for Evening and Social Members. New members should be asked to pay after they have attended their first 2 walks. Walk Leaders to be more diligent collecting subscriptions and paying to the club Treasurer.

Programme 2022

A blank Programme for 2022 was circulated and partially completed. **Kathy and Tony Kilsby** to pass on to Phil Williams and Deborah Martin for publication on the website and Facebook. **Kathy Kilsby** to Contact Dave Bromley to ascertain availability and dates for Thursday Evening Walks.

Sunday walks will continue to be every other Sunday.

Weekends Away for 2022 agreed as follows: -

May 13 th – 15 th	Hartland Point - Devon	Janet Earwaker
July 8 th – 10 th	Dunston Hill, Northumberland	Deborah Martin
Sept 16 th -18 th	TBA – Herefordshire	Tony & Kathy Kilsby

2022 Christmas Meal – Golden Shield Friday 16th Dec – **Janet Long** to organise

Thanks to all walk leaders and organisers.

Election of Officers for 2022

Members of the committee to remain as follows: -

Chairman – Andy Collins
Vice Chairman – Tony Kilsby
Treasurer – Janet Earwaker
Programme Organiser – Tony & Kathy Kilsby
Secretary – Deborah Martin
Website and Communication – Phil Williams

Communications

Emails

Improved distribution using Mailchimp implemented although this reports that only 65% of emails are opened. This may be due to some email clients marking the emails as Spam.

Website

Continuing improvements including possible functionality to allow members to indicate if they are attending Events.

Facebook Group

This is a “Private” Group so members who use Facebook need to request to be added to the Group.

Communication and Posters

New Posters have been produced and distributed around Fleckney. **Deborah Martin** to produce an A5 copy for Kilby.

Communicata Article to be submitted to include 30 Years celebration of the Club (See AOB)
by **Deborah Martin**

Any Other Business:

30 Years of FWC this year – **Club committee** to discuss and organise a celebration.

Constitution and/or Welcome to Club/Walkers Guide – **Deborah Martin** to investigate and produce a draft.

Possibility of the creation of a “permissive” path in fields alongside the Saddington to Shearsby road between the Driveway of Saddington Lodge Farm and Meadow Springs to link the two footpaths. **Andy Collins** to ascertain the process from a Ramblers contact.

Good to see the Honorary President (Mary Arnold) following the recovery from her illness

Thanks to Janet Earwaker for the refreshments.

Appendix A

CHAIRMAN'S SUMMARY OF 2021

Since it is only just over 6 months since the last AGM, which had been delayed due to Covid, my report will be fairly brief.

Following the successful resumption of Sunday walks after last year's Spring lockdown, throughout the summer these were on a weekly frequency. However, at the AGM, it was agreed that this should decrease to, the more traditional, fortnightly for the winter. This happened from mid-September and walks have continued on this frequency. Attendance on Sunday walks has been variable, with the odd one or two being cancelled due to lack of interest or inclement weather. Some well-supported walks started and finished at Fleckney, whereas there may have been some further afield walks which were less popular. This may have been due to a reluctance on the part of some drivers to travel very far or car share, but this situation improved as Covid restrictions were relaxed. There have been no Thursday night walks since the AGM, Dave Bromley's successful programme having finished in July.

A further weekend away took place last September to the Leek area, organised by Kathy & Tony Kilsby. This was better attended than those in May and July, with 7 members taking part. The highlight was the Saturday walk up and along The Roaches and thence down into the chasm known as 'Lud's Church', although one of us avoided the latter and opted to head back along the road to his car!

On the membership front, although some longstanding members appear to have 'fallen by the wayside' during the Covid epidemic, there are now some new faces who have joined us recently, so it is a case of 'swings and roundabouts'.

That concludes my report to the AGM.

2021 Summary of Walks – Despite Covid Lockdowns/Restrictions a Full Programme. Thanks to all who planned and led the walks.

Date	Leader	Details
4th April (Easter)*	Janet Earwaker	Fleckney- Hooray 1 st walk together after lockdown
18th April*	Kathy Kilsby	Bruntingthorpe
25th April	Phil Williams	Fleckney to Saddington Laughton and Gumley – Longer than advertised !
2nd May (BH weekend)*	Janet Long	Great Glen
9th May	Deborah Martin	Foxton, Lubenham and Marston Trussell
14th - 16th May*	Janet Earwaker	Weekend Away – Devizes Camping and Caravanning Club Site – 2 attended, not lost just the cat
16th May	Kathy Kilsby	Tur Langton
23rd May	Phil Williams	Fleckney, Saddington and Smeeton
30th May(BH weekend)*	Janet Earwaker	Fleckney Great Glen and Kilby
6th June	Sheila Varum	Saddington and Gumley
Summer Evening Walks*	Dave Bromley	6th May to 22nd July – Very well attended – Thanks Dave B
13th June	Andy Collins	Arnesby, Countesthopr and Peatling
20th June	Deborah Martin	Walcote Wander with soggy socks
27th June	Rita Pearce	Fleckney, Saddington and Gumley
4th July	Phil Williams	Braybrooke
9th - 11th July	Deborah Martin	Weekend Away – Northumberland - Dunstan Hill Camping and Caravanning Club Site – 2 Attended , Castles, Paddling and Craster Crab sandwiches
11th July	Sheila Varum	Shearsby
18th July	Kathy Kilsby	Mowsley
25th July	Rebecca Wood	Welford
1st Aug	Janet Earwaker	Fleckney, Great Glen and Kilby
8th Aug	Janet Long	Tilton on the Hill

15th August	Dave Harvey	East Langton
22nd Aug	Kathy Kilsby	Burton Overy
29th August	Andy Collins	Welford
5th Sept	Phil Williams	Smeeton, Debdale and Saddington
17th - 19th Sept	Tony & Kathy Kilsby	Weekend Away – Leek – Leek Camping and Caravanning Club Site – 8 attended, Walked around an invisible reservoir, The Roaches and Ludds Church
19th Sept	Rita Pearce	Smeeton and Saddington
3rd Oct	Kathy Kilsby	Kilby Bridge, Wigston
17th Oct	Andy Collins	Gilmorton
31st Oct	Deborah Martin	Cancelled – Rained Off!
14th Nov	Janet Earwaker	Fleckney and Arnesby
28th Nov	Dave Harvey	Was Ashley – Changed to Local
12th Dec	Sheila Varnum	Fleckney Smeeton, Saddington
26th Dec	Phil Williams	Cancelled

Appendix B
FLECKNEY WALKING CLUB

ACCOUNTS FOR 2021

Balance Carried Forward from 2020	200.52	
Insurance for 2021	<u>-176.16</u>	
Balance Carried Forward to 2021		£24.36
Income for 2021 -		
20 Full members	200.00	
10 Social/Summer evening walkers	<u>50.00</u>	
Total Income		£ <u>250.00</u>
Balance Carried Forward to 2022		£274.36

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The following has already been paid out for 2022 -

Insurance	176.16
Band Hall hire	7.00

This leaves £91.20 in the kitty to go towards insurance for 2023 and 30th anniversary celebration.