



The Friends of King's Wood

Committee Meeting minutes - 13th June 2016

Present

Diana Sawyer (Chairman), Heather Standen (Treasurer), Julie Hall (Secretary), Wendy Hogg, Wendy Jolly, Kate Harris FC.

Apology - Jon Shelton

Minutes – 15th February 2016

The minutes were agreed as an accurate record and signed there being no matters arising.

Chairman's Report – DS

Pond surveys - 4 March, 1 April, 6 May
Country Quiz - 9 quiz teams, takings £217, many thanks to everyone for their help and Wendy H for doing Head & Tails (the winner gave their half of the income to the Friends)
Twilight into Night - 9 attended
Up & Down Again - 13 attended
Challock Circle - 15 attended
Twilight Bluebells – 18 attended
Bluebells & Cupcakes - 26 attended
Bats not in the Belfry - 11 attended
Reclining Reptiles - 14 attended
Nightjars Jarring - 14 attended
Boughton Aluph Fete Sat 11 June – 65 prizes given away
Himalayan Balsum Extraction main car park Sun 12 June – 3 attended
B52 bomber natural sculpture - practical help requested by FC/KSCP

Treasurer's Report - HS

HS said the bank balance was £1294.62

FC update

Posts and fencing around all ponds has been completed. There are plans for some art projects in the forest in the near future. Coppicing work is continuing. Signs are to be erected to discourage dog owners from allowing their dogs to enter the ponds. There have been some reports of camping in the forest. Permissions have been granted for events such as the Saxon Shore challenge. There is a possibility of a forest school starting and possibly activities for military personnel with PTSD etc. A part time ranger will be starting work soon.



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KSCP update

KSCP volunteers have been working on some of the sculptures in King's Wood including the Richard Harris arch and the Yew trees. Working with FC they have also been renovating the waymarking for the sculpture trail. There is a task programmed on the 23rd which will include working on the B52. KSCP are also talking with the artists who did the round table to get it repaired. The Superkingdom sculpture is likely to be repaired in the summer. KSCP have listed FoKW walks on their website.

Walks and Events 2016 – who's doing what?

Picture the Scene EN Chilham A252 car park Sun 19 June – DS
Kennington Fayre Sat 25 June -WJ, DS
Moths Mobbing CW main car park Sat 16 July – WH, JH
Summer Stroll DS main car park Sun 24 July – DS
Secret Forest WH main car park Sat 3 Sept – WH, JH
Tremendous Trees JS Molash A252 War Memorial triangle Sun 18 Sept – JS,
WH, JH

AOB

It was agreed that the committee would carry out a litter pick 15th Aug 6.30pm

DS asked KH if there was any danger of wild boar being introduced into the forest. KH said that they would not be introduced and that no control was required at present.

Date of next meeting

10th October