

MARPLE LOCKS HERITAGE SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held at The Ring o' Bells on Tuesday 4th Nov 2008

Present: Peter Clarke, Alison Allcard, Paul Woodhead.

ACTION

Apologies: Malcolm Allcard and Bob Woodgate
Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report: No report

Lock 17

The plaque was now made and in safe keeping at Top Lock House. Pete, Mark & Malcolm chose a suitable stone from the BW yard at Bottom Lock and are waiting for BW to arrange transport to the site. When we have a date, we will organise a working party to dig the hole etc. £200 has been received from Gordon Mill's family towards to cost. Whilst at the BW yard, Pete had seen some cobble sets which might be suitable to raise the side of the Lock, Alison would approach Iain Weston.

AA/PC

Locks Trail Guide

Brian's price of £451.08 for 5000 was accepted, Pete had the copy on CD for Brian to collect. Guide will be funded by Marple Business Forum and Regeneration for which we are very grateful.

Heritage Open days

These had been a waste of time, only 6 people had come all weekend. Either Stockport need to give us a lot more publicity, we decide to publicise the walks ourselves or we don't bother doing them again.

Task days

It was agreed that the weather was making painting difficult now so we should leave the task days till the New Year.

Open Meeting

This had been well attended and the speaker was very interesting. AGM was fixed for 10th Feb and Ted Hill was booked as speaker. We may have to start 15 minutes later than usual, will check nearer the time.

Locks Festival:

The first meeting to start organising this would be week beginning 19th January, Alison will check what days the Social Club is free. Alison will contact the Folk group The Weavils to see if they are free. Ask Malcolm to find out if the MBF will do the barbecue again.

Alison will contact Sue Day and Bob Holmes to see if they can bring Maria and Joel to the Festival again. Ask Sue Woodgate to find out what New Horizons would like to do.

AA

Self Supervision

Alison has re-submitted all the paperwork, having amended the Safety Policy and Risk Assessments as advised by Daniel Greenhalgh, and had created a training record for volunteers. Three members are attending a Water Safety course at Wigan on 8th November. First Aid training was discussed and it was decided to find out how many regular working party attendees would be interested in taking a course if we could organise one.

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AOB:

It was agreed to enter a Christmas Tree at St Martin's festival this year. Paul would let Alison have all the decorations, Alison would purchase a tree and send off the entry form.

AA

Alison had given a talk to the Rotary Club on the Society, they had offered to fund some item that we needed – we discussed maybe one or two lifejackets, then if the Society bought two and BW provided two as they had for IWPC at Bugsworth, we would then have enough to cover most working parties.

Alison would find out if the Rotary Club had a figure in mind.

AA

Date of the next meeting: Monday, 12th January 2pm at The Ring o' Bells