

A COVENTRY WAY ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 13TH DECEMBER 2012.

Venue. C & NW Cricket Club, Binley Road, Coventry.

Present. J Aylmer, R Brandon, R Carey, W Eve, J Green, K Nicholas, P Page, R Rainsley
B Roebuck, A Roebuck, B Swain, A Townsend, S Veasey, A Wade.

7.30pm The Chairman welcomed the attendees.

7.35pm Mel Smith gave an excellent presentation about the workings of the Warwickshire & Northamptonshire Air Ambulance. This was well received by all following our need for their services during Challenge 2012.

A short refreshment break ensued.

8.50pm AGM Commenced

Apologies. R Watson, M Aston, U Ull, Pam Cavendish, Paul Cavendish, R Brown, D Shelton, F Tonkinson.

Minutes 2011. As read

Matters arising. Work was carried out by Solihull Footpaths personnel at Beanit Farm.

Chairman's Report. Tribute was paid to our President Cyril Bean who passed away this year, and mention was made of the installation of Memorial gates at Meriden Churchyard and our involvement with the Pilgrims Way Walk, and the success of Challenge 2012 with over 200 completing the 40 miles. The accident involving cattle at Marston Mill during the event has still to be resolved. The Working Party monthly meet has resulted in the majority of work being done for Solihull. Finally, the HS2 threat is still with us and the "After Tea" walk will be decimated and many footpaths would be drastically changed if the project goes ahead.

Secretary's Report. Following illness this year, John G expressed his gratitude for the assistance he has received from Peter Page and Bob Carey. As the person in charge of Book Sales, with less than 100 Circular Walks Books in stock there is the need to consider the future and he requested the matter to be considered in any other business.

Treasurer's report. A healthy set of accounts were presented and Bob Rainsley was thanked for auditing the accounts which were accepted.

Memberships Fees. No change

Committee, Officers, Overseers & other special duties. The following were elected.

Committee.

Chairman	Bob Carey
Secretary	John Green
Treasurer	John Aylmer
Member	Bob Brandon

President. To be reviewed in 2013.

Other volunteers for Specific Duties.

Auditor	Bob Rainsley
Membership Secretary	Ken Nicholas
Webmaster	Peter Page
Newsletter Editor	Ken Nicholas
ACWA Challenge	Bob Brandon, Anne Wade, Bob Carey.
Volunteer Co-ordinators	Bob Carey, John Green.
Geocaching	Keith Greenall.
Book Sales	John Green

Footpath Overseers.

Walks 1, 2 & 3	John Aylmer & Bob Rainsley
Walks 4, 5 & 6	Miranda Aston & Ulli Ull
Walks 7, 8 & 9	Bill Eve & Roger Brown
Walks 10, 11 & 12	Frank Tonkinson & Doug Shelton
Walks 13, 14 & 15	Alan Townsend & Bob Carey
Walk 16	Ken Nicholas & Bob Brandon
Walks 17 & 18	Dave Burrin & Bob Brandon
Walks 19, 20 & 21	Bob Watson & Stan Veasey
Roving Overseer	Peter Page
A Coventry Way	Bob Brandon

Challenge 2013.

Bob Brandon reported that the date of the 2013 Challenge would be April 7th and will again be named as ***"The Cyril Bean Coventry Way Challenge"***. 150 entrants have already been received. Bob asked that anyone offering help on the Challenge regarding food, to get in touch with Anne Wade, to help at a control on the course, to get in touch with Bob Brandon, and help at start and finish, get in touch with Bob Carey.

Donations to Charity.

John Aylmer reported that donations had been made to the WNAA, Meriden Scouts, 74th Coventry Scouts and 11th Coventry Scouts totalling £500.

A.O.B.

Ken Nicholas requested members to give him articles for the Newsletter, and in particular said he would welcome contributions from other than the usual people in order to improve the range of issues covered.

Bill Eve suggested research into the purchase of a Defibrillator. Bill will liaise with Mel Smith and report back.

Following a pleasant social evening organised by the Kenilworth Footpath Preservation Group and attended by Bob Carey and Bill Eve together with their wives. John Green will investigate the chance of promoting a similar function with a possible date in May 2013 at the Queens Head, Meriden, when we can invite Iris Bean and Family to view the Memorial Gates.

Stan Veasey requested help in path clearance ready for a Scout Walk in March. Bob Carey will organise.

Meeting closed at 10.05pm.