

RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION

SOUTH DARTMOOR GROUP

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 15th July 2013 at the Devon Tors Hotel.

Present:

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| Mrs M Lawrence | (Chair - outgoing) | Mrs L Pidgeon |
| Mrs K Body | (Treasurer) | Mrs R Morcom |
| Mrs J Ford | (Secretary) | Mrs P Missen |
| Mrs L Wood | (Chair – incoming) | Mrs E Woodward |
| Mrs P Whitfield | | Mrs L Scott |

| MINUTES | Action Points |
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| <p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>Mrs D Medland</p> <p><u>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM</u></p> <p>These were read, agreed and duly signed. Proposed by Mrs E Woodward, seconded by Mrs P Whitfield</p> <p><u>ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES</u></p> <p>None. Proposed by Mrs E Woodward, seconded by Mrs J Ford</p> <p><u>CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</u></p> <p>Mrs Lawrence's report as follows: Good evening and welcome. Thank you very much for attending this South Dartmoor AGM. The season of 2012 began on the 27th of March with an assessment of horses and ponies. Out of 14 only 2 were thought to be unsuitable. On the 3rd of April a training session was held for new and existing helpers, ten newcomers arrived which was encouraging, riding started proper on the 10th of April. Unfortunately, for most of the season the weather was very wet which resulted in losing 38% of the sessions. In June over 100 people attended a barn dance at Weston Mill Oak Villa social club, it was a fun evening with music provided by Martin, plus tasty pasties and cakes. Thank you to Karen and Steve for organising the event, also to everyone who helped with the selling of draw tickets and refreshments. Margaret Ball and her band of helpers continued to transport her ponies every other week, introducing a new pony Dusty who</p> | |

proved to be very useful.

There was one committee change, which was Pam stepping down from the secretary's post for Jane to take over the mantle. Thank you very much to Pam for all the hard work and time you have invested in the South Dartmoor Group over many years – enjoy your retirement!

Jody and Lynne were assessed and duly passed with no need for an assessment for another two years.

The riding year ended with a social evening for all volunteers at the Lopes Arms where everyone was thanked for their help during the year.

Steve Body has once again kept the group up to date with snippets of news on the website, thank you Steve for the ongoing maintenance of the site.

Also I would like to thank the committee and all our volunteers for another year of hard work to sustain another successful period of RDA and the committee for supporting me as Chairperson over the past seven years.

Finally I would like to welcome Lesley as South Dartmoor Group's new Chairperson and wish her well in her new post. I will now hand over to Lesley to chair our committee meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

See attached report

Proposal to accept the report made by Mrs Ford, seconded by Mrs Woodward.

Carried – Mrs Body was thanked by the meeting

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Mrs Woodward proposed Lesley as Chair, seconded by Mrs Body and unanimously voted in.

All other officers remain unchanged. Proposed by Mrs Woodward, seconded by Mrs Wood.

Carried.

FUNDRAISING

It was agreed that the bank accounts are healthy and the group needs to spend some money.

Carried forward to committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No volunteers have come forward to be trained as instructors. Agreed to continue asking helpers personally.

DATE TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

To be advised.

The meeting closed at 8:05pm.