

The Ramblers' Association of Malta

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AGM 19th February 2011 Minutes

The meeting was held at the Phoenicia hotel. Since there was no quorum at 10:00 the meeting started at 10:15 as per the statute.

The address by the President was followed by the Administrative Report, the Treasurer's Report and the Auditors' Report.

In the discussion which followed most of the interventions regarded our walks, mainly on the need to diversify, e.g. have shorter walks for slower walkers, having more cultural input during walks, break the walk for a coffee in a bar or a restaurant, hold a morning walk on a work day once a week or on a Saturday once a month, starting the walks later than 8:30/9:00 (someone suggested 10am so they could have a lie-in), etc. Romano had an answer for each of these but promised all these would be discussed in committee; the main problem however remained the need for more walk leaders. And as someone someone said, if we have 100 members, we could have 110 different types of walks.

Hendrik Kalka proposed sending a questionnaire to the members to see what kind of walk they preferred: cultural. Scenic, historical, long, medium, short, with or without break, etc. The committee will be considering this suggestion.

Requests were made to include the name of the Walk Leader of each walk in the programme and to have their mobile numbers so that they could get in touch with them in case of accident when someone has lagged behind. This is not very practical because problems cropped up and sometimes we have to ask a different leader to step in.

Various appeals were made to ask for volunteers to lead walks and to be in the Social Activities sub-committee as well as to lend a hand in other matters. Help was guaranteed to prospective walk leaders in their first walk. Anyone wishing to lend a hand can write to us on ram205@gmail.com.

Mr Kalka proposed that future auditors will follow the recommendations made in this year's report

Mr H. Kalka and Mr Joe Scicluna were unanimously confirmed as auditors for the current year.

Lino Bugeja suggested that we should push so that Malta has a National Environment Day and that this should be celebrated on or close to the feast of St Francis of Assisi, i.e. in the first week of October. The President remarked this would be a good start to our Walks Programme.

The meeting ended at 12.00

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The following members were present for the AGM:

Agius Joe
Attard Guzi
Attard Karmenu
Azzopardi Joe
Bonello Claire
Bugeja Joe
Bugeja Lino
Burden Josephine
Cassar Romano
Chetcuti Francesca

Darmanin Godwin
Dorlant Hanne
Fabri David
Farrugia Mario
Fenech Censu
Gatt Marthese
Grech Sam
Gulic Alexander
Jacobs Gunther
Hoey Michael
Horzella Patricia

Hulland Ian
Kalka Hendrik
Marlow Maura
Mazelli Francis
McGlynn Steve
McDonald Robin
Muscat Azzopardi Marie Louise
Naudi Joe Paul
Pace Hugh
Paetzel Michiel

Pirotta Elaine
Sammut Carmel
Salafia Simon
Scicluna Joe
Shanahan Frank
Springer Ilene
Sultana Josette
Michelle Sultana
Vella Carmen
Vella Alex

Vella Anthony
Weninger Ricky (?)
Festl Maria (?)