**Lothian Teachers Mountaineering Club**

**Minutes of meeting 18th March 2025**

**Venue 11 Hope St South Queensferry**

**Present:** Val Ludlow (chair), Sheila Kennedy ( Minute taker) Oli Ludlow, Dot Greig,

Karen Stevenson, Brian Carson, Janet Hodgson, Jenny Carson, Anne Lyall.

1. **Welcome and Apologies**: Apology from Tony Kent
2. **Minutes of 27th Jan 2025**
3. Amendments:- none
4. Acceptance:- Proposed by Karen. Seconded by Janet.
5. Matters arising not dealt with elsewhere:- Shonagh Potter has decided not to rejoin.

All other previous members have now joined.

Photos of Jerry to be forwarded to Charlotte **Action Sheila**

1. **Recent Meets**
2. Day Walks 5th Feb Kitley Knowe. Mixed weather

19th Feb 4 out of 7 of Edinburgh’s hills conquered.

5th Mar Planned for the Kips but wind forced a lower level walk.

18th Mar Outskirts of Kinghorn to Silversands, Fife .Good weather and views

1. Weekend Meets 21-22nd Feb Crianlarich, Ochils Hut. Very wet drive up. 6 LTMC members and 1 Ochil club member. Mixed weather on Saturday with again bad weather on Sunday. Walks done on Saturday and a drive home on Sunday.
2. **Future Meets**
3. Day Walks Helen Roy’s day walk on 3rd April is now being coordinated by Anne Moss and is to be Traprain Law.
4. Weekend Meets Muir Cottage, Braemar 28th-29th Mar has15 members signed up. Karen and Bert have taken over the organization.

Ronan Cottage 25/27th Apr coordinated by Jeanette Fraser. Hut has been paid for 3 nights and 8 places.

Morvich Kintail 16/18th May – 3 nights Rooms booked 2 X 4.

1. **Meets for 2026**

Mile house 20-21st Feb . 8 places booked but LSCC will let us know if there is any other booking requested so that we can up the numbers and assure sole use for the club.

**Action** **Sheila** Paper work to be sent to Jenny.

Loch Tay 20-21st Mar , Killin . Val investigated Highland Lodges. Chestnut lodge has 2 doubles, 2 twins and sleeps 8. Cost, if full occupancy, £27.75 pppn +approx. £1 per person for electricity. **Action Val to book.**

Deposit of £111.00 with balance on 6th Feb 2026. Total £444 +£14 electricity. Security deposit of £150 needed on a Credit Card.

24-25th April – Elphin not available. No bookings until Jan and likely to be booked by its own club.

Alternative Glenfinnan Bunkhouse at Highlandlife.com.

Booking for 8 would cost £30 pppn and if more people, the cost would be less.

£720 for 3 nights. No deposit and no cancellation fee for up to 2 months before booking.

**Action Val to book for 3 nights 24-26th April 2026**

15-17th May – Torridon. Mol Mor bunkhouse Torridon to be booked. **Action Anne**

31st July/ 1st Aug – Braedownie , Glen Clova booked by Tony and a deposit of £50 has been paid.

5 days September – mid week Discuss at the next meeting.

Val has found Fassfern house at Kinlocheil which sleeps 11 in 3 doubles, 2 twins and 1 single. 4 people in 2 bedrooms. Link to be sent out for consideration at the next meeting.

**Action Val**

9-10th Oct Lakes. Sheila will book as an LSCC member. A decision on which FRCC hut is to be decided once committee members have looked at the possibilities. **Action ALL**

6-7th Nov – Dinner Meet Include as an Agenda item for the next meeting.

4-5th Dec – Possibility of the Alex MacIntyre Memorial Hut, North Ballachulish. To be decided. Glenshee area also to be investigated. **Action all**

1. **Social Events**

Pub night was cancelleddue to lack of interest. A more central area to be considered.

Brian will send out an email asking for volunteers to investigate a pub night.

Janet will investigate the possibility of a pub quiz.

1. **AOCB**

Sheila mentioned that emails from her blueyonder address to a gmail address were being diverted to the receiver’s spam box.

A plant and card have been delivered to Helen from the club.

Janet and Dot will drop round to Anne and Gordon’s with a card and flowers.

It was noted that we need to think about a venue for the BBQ.

Dot has received an email from MS asking for memberships to be paid. A new MS Digital discount card will then be forwarded to members.

**Date of next meeting** – 7.30pm, Tuesday 29th April, at Janet’s 20 Fountainhall Rd. EH9 2NN