

The Rambler



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Registration Update

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**We have already had lots of applications
but there is still room for yours!**

As of the 4th of March 42,633 people had
registered for the 98th Vierdaagse.

There is still time to register for the event but
please don't leave it until the last minute to send in
your forms, remember we still need to get you
registered and have the paper work completed on
time!

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A Quiet Month

This month has been fairly quiet with regards to news to share with you so I thought you might like a little update as to what is going on!

With the committee reshuffle last month some of us are getting used to our new roles, I didn't realise how much reading was involved with the role of Chair, that on top of writing The Rambler is keeping me very busy!

Darren has now collected and counted all the first aid kit we have... when I say everything I mean everything I believe there are 3867 cotton buds!

The practice walks are now well underway in Swindon with thanks to [Herman](#) for providing an excellent support team for those.

On top of all that we are still managing to plan everything we need to for the event itself.... beds, catering, registering...it is all being looked after to make sure you have an enjoyable week! However, no matter how hard we try we can't do the training for you, this I am afraid to say, is down to you!

Don't forget to let me know if you have anything you wish to share with your fellow members!

Clothing

Walker Liaison Reporting – BDWF Clothing

Now that the first tranche of registrations for Nijmegen 2014 is all but completed and the second tranche has got underway, I felt it worth reminding everyone that completed order forms for BDWF clothing i.e. T-shirts, Polo shirts, Cool-T (wicking) shirts and Hoodies, need to be with the nominated committee recipient (Group Treasurer, John Nicholson) by 31st May inclusive, at the latest.

Our orders go in to the printers at the beginning of June with delivery completion to us within typically 2 weeks if not earlier. Timing is critical especially if there are any requests for postal distribution of completed orders before we leave for the walk.

Clothing forms were sent out by our Group Secretary, Herman Boston, on 1st December, 2013.

So, if you want to order any of these items, then completed forms need to be sent to:

1. **By E-mail** – to treasurerbdwf@gmail.com identifying colour, size and quantity with electronic bank transfer payment to **HSBC**, sort code **40-43-35**, account Name: **British-Dutch Walking Fellowship**, account number: **01530682**.

**** Please don't forget to identify who the payment is from – surname & postcode ****

2. **By Post** – to John Nicholson 18 Poplar Close, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1TL identifying colour, size and quantity with a cheque made out to 'BDWF' for the appropriate amount.
3. In the event of having mislaid your copy of the order form or indeed just needing an initial copy, please contact Herman secretarybdwf@gmail.com who will be pleased to send you a copy.

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Ambassador

The under mentioned article was taken from Magazine van de Vereniging Gouden-Kruisdragers Vierdaagse - December 2013

After our survey early last year and our concept policy we are working on the appointment of ambassadors. These ambassadors should become a liaison for us and our members abroad. We currently plan to install 4 ambassadors; for the regions UK, Scandinavia, Germany- Switzerland-Austria and the rest of the world.

At this moment we can inform you that of those 4 ambassadors 2 are known. David Brooks (former Hertfordshire police) volunteered to be ambassador for the UK and Tue Henriksen volunteered for this role for Scandinavia. In our next magazine, we hope to have the names of the other 2 ambassadors too and all 4 will be introduced to you.

As soon as we get the next edition we will let you know.

Forthcoming Events

Walks this month:

March 2014:

Don't forget that Herman holds a selection of Training walks for those able to get to Swindon. There are also other members who are looking to go out and about for training walks all around the country!

Walks in 2014

April 2014

26th - 27th 33rd RAF 2 Day March For more information please visit the website www.rafwarma.org.uk and click on RAF two day march.

May 2014

3rd - 4th The Scottish Garelochhead 2 Day Marches 2014 for further information please see the following web site WWW.scottish2daymarches.co.uk

24 - 25th RAF Lyneham 2 day March. For more details contact Herman Boston Tel: 07936 390500 or Email: hermies@btinternet.com

As soon as dates are available for more of the regular walks I shall let you know.

There is also an excellent website detailing walks available in the Netherlands - <http://www.wandelkalender.nl/2013/meerdaagse.html>

If you know of other walks that our members would be interested in, please let us know - contact details are at the back of this newsletter.

If you are going on your own walk and would like company please let us know and we will put the word out for you.

For Rainy Days...

It looks like the rain is starting to stop so this is something for you to relax with after you have been out on a nice long walk!

Puzzle Time!

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I am still counting down the days...
There are even fewer days left to complete your
registration!

129
Days to go!

Happy Birthday!

**Wishing all our members celebrating their Birthday in March Many
Happy Returns!**

1st Callum Weaver; Coralie Hancock; Sophie Kudelka **2nd** Carol Simmons
3rd Sheryl Lea; Sebastian van der Staal **4th** Colin Petitt; Jacquie Rawlings;
Anneleen Bolle **5th** Christine Barre; Willem Wolters; Gemma Gillies;
George Paul; Ryan Stokes **6th** Christine Brooks **7th** Steven Vass;
Katerena Mabbott; Richard Dean **8th** H Gol; Marijke Zuidwijk; J Joosten;
Christopher Allen; Robert Parkinson **11th** Anneke Duijn; Klaske Ludema-
Korporaal; Saskia Van essen **12th** Tina & Teresa Blanpain; Emily Collins;
George Langlands **13th** Ries Hauer; N van der Wijdeven; Sarah Coupland
14th George Newby; Corrie Ruberg **15th** Chris van Heckeren-Meiberg;
Jasmijn Govaars
16th Paul Kirby; Peter Bruniges **17th** Ann Williams; Nick Neale; Tom Stobbe
18th Gareth Ball **19th** Jamie Hale **20th** Jack Daly; Jantiene Manintveld;
Joseph Thompson **21st** Pat O'Connor; Christopher Johnson; Henri
Scheepens; Chris Burridge; Fern Davis; Sarah Henry **22nd** Marcel
Hendriks **23rd** James Whyte **24th** Leni de Vries; Pavandeep Bains **25th** Jim
Usher; Raymond Barbier; Arienne De vos Lauerman; Christopher Evans;

Adam Merrison; Hayley Masters **26th** Michael Dean; David Broughton;
Alex Sil **27th** Jan Roberts; H de Vries **28th** Bridget Sinclair; Jacolien Plomp;
Briohny Williams; Gavin Brown **29th** Stephen Morgan **30th** Joy Wade

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www.facebook.com/groups/bdwnijmegen

Don't Forget - We are on the Web too!

www.bdwf.org.uk

The most recent posts on the web include information for support crew registering to do Nijmegen with the BDWF and some Bargains found on line for walkers!

The British Dutch Walking Fellowship (BDWF) was founded out of the BT Nijmegen group in 2003. The club has no political or sectarian interests, and is non – profit seeking. Membership is open to anyone 12 years and over.

As a member, we want to make sure that you get the best from your relationship with us and that means keeping you informed.

Any news items to be included in the next newsletter should be with Kate by Friday 31st January 2014.

Contributions are always welcome. Remember, every member has a voice and this is the ideal medium to have your say