

The Rambler

May 2014



Congratulations!

We would like to congratulate all those who completed the 2 day RAF Warma march.

It was a lovely weekend up at RAF Cosford for the two day march. The first aid team dusted off their first aid kits and welcomed some new members to the team. We also had the opportunity to welcome some of our newest walking members, some of whom let me treat their feet!

We now look forward to seeing you all again in Nijmegen, which is only Eleven weeks away!

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Eleven weeks

It might not sound like much but with eleven weeks to go, and now you know if you have a place or not, then it is time to make sure you have a valid passport and EHIC card, it is worth looking at your holiday insurance too.

For those of you who have done little (or no) training then it certainly is time for you to be out on the road, the evenings are much lighter now. Don't forget there is a two

day walk starting in Lynham at the end of May as well as several other walks taking place before Nijmegen itself.

Walker Liaison Reporting – BDWF Clothing – Final Reminder

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.

I'll be taking our order to the printers on the 2nd 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:

- a) **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 ****

- b) **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.

**** In the case of postal orders make sure that there is sufficient time to allow for delivery of your order form with regard to the timescales identified above.**

In the event of having mislaid your copy of the order form, just needing an initial copy, or timing issues with placing any order please contact Herman secretarybdwf@gmail.com who will be pleased to assist you.

Roy Hayward

Walker Liaison

e-mail: walkerliaisonbdwf@gmail.com

BDWF Members Supporting in Nijmegen

Last month I included a list of all those walking the vierdaagse, this month I have a list of the support staff who will be there to look after us.

NEM

Herman Boston

Office Manager

Sarah Turrell

Dutch Translator

Marian Van Essen Westerhoff

Student Liaison

Samantha Elliman

Night Crew

Dave Holyday, Tony Chandler, Georgina Crowley and Petra Kolen Rouschop

Drivers

Nigel Lacy, Niek Rouschop and Chris Bexhill

First Aid

Darren Gray, Tom Watling, Christine Brand, Leonie van Soest, Gerry Bouwman, Lydia Verstraate, Katie Elliman, Kevin Mitcham and Emma Wilson

Cosford 2 day March

Once again the BDWF Medical team provided First aid for this event as we have done for many years.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of my team who this year went above and beyond the call of duty. Not only did they treat 241 walkers over the weekend, they also attended 3 serious incidents on route using their own cars, that also required the assistance of 2 NHS Ambulances.

The team worked very hard all weekend showing a great professional approach and I am proud of them all.

So once again a big thank you to you all.

Darren Gray
First Aid & Support Coordinator

Nijmegen Invoices

For those attending this years Nijmegen with the BDWF, your invoice for services in Nijmegen will be appearing on your door mat this week. Full payment to be made by the end of May 2014. Payment can be made electronic bank transfer to:

Bank: HSBC ,
sort code 40-43-35 ,
account name: British-Dutch Walking Fellowship ,
account number: 01530682 .

Forthcoming Events

Walks this month:

May 2014:

It is time for the students to do their qualifying walk at Lynham. The walk is held over the second bank holiday weekend in May. We hope to see lots of you there!

Walks in 2014

May 2014

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

4th Sarsen trail, a Neolithic walk between Avebury and Stonehenge

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

June 2014

15th - Hawk dean hike.

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>

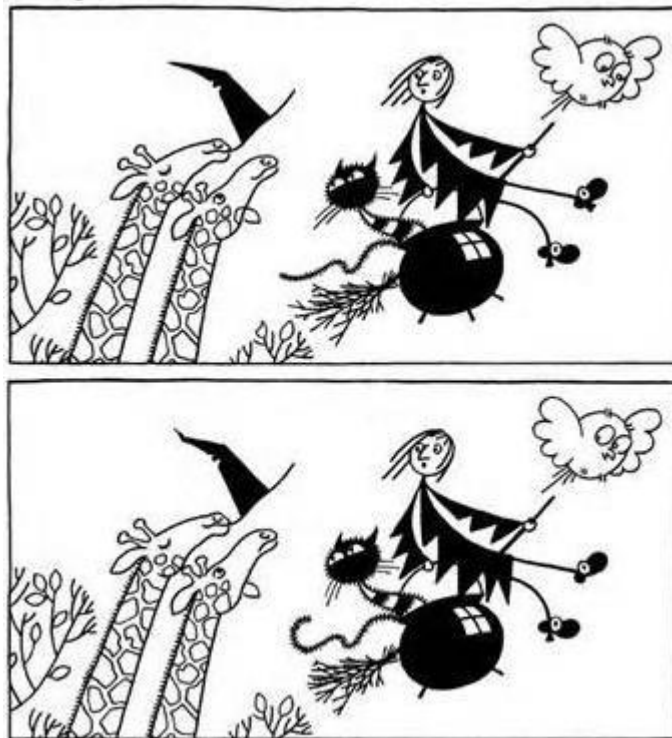
If you know of other walks that our members would be interested in, please let us know - contact details

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...

something simple this month, there are 15 differences - can you find them?



Puzzle Time!

For those of you who replied to last months question the man in the photo was **Talbot Williams**

That is 10 weeks and four days! Doesn't time fly.

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Days to go!

Happy Birthday!

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

1 Rienk Cloo; Andy Lock; Chloe Williams; Ryan Evans. **2.** Arie de Knijf; Nigel Young; Debra Griffiths; Jochem Huffmeijer; Edwin Vreeling **4.** Dave Sutton; Renger Rakhorst; David Hutchinson **5.** Stuart Hammersley; W Seders; Francien Kastanja; Joshua Battaglia **6** John Turner; Christopher Pratt; James Pirrie **7** John Foden; Ron Williams; Finn Baker-James **9.** Cliff Evans **10.** Mischa van der Bos **11** Anton Aelberts; Rachel Lovelock; Dominic Bray; Luke Paynter **12.** Cashain David; Dafydd Jones; Charles Bryant; Chloe Weston **13.** Stephen Cherry; Toon Vogels; Kenna Leigh; Aled Griffiths-Moses; Julia Gaffney **14.** Hennie Stoel; Lydia Verstraate; Peter Richmond; Thomas Rouse; Michael Newman **15.** Josey Thornton; Amanda Bryer; John Howell; Rachel Palmer **16** George Thornton; Sandra Bird; Dave Saunders; Andrew Mohun-Smith; Frans Vogels; W van de Wijdeven; Ross Shannon **17** Sandra Thompson **18** Sue Clements; Matthew Keates; Vivienne Sherry **19.** Steve Waites; Tracey Sharland **20.** Tracey Birch **21.** Doug Pearce; Thomas Wakelam; Jessica Cotton **22.** Brian Kiel; Jacqui Wakelam; Siobhan Smith **23** Marilyn Hurley; Daniel Lewis **24.** J Vergeer; Marian van Essen Westerhoff; Christopher Oyston; Samantha Holland; Francesca Mabbott; Matthew Hayward **25.** Andrew Tilley **26** Sheila Hanson; Lucy Johns **28** Samantha Bowstead; Andrew Smith **29** Louis van der Krabben; Bep van der Krabben-Enner; Gijs van Reenen; P E Boomsma **30.** Roly Greer; John Warnier; David Sinclair; Vicky Couper **31.** Dianne Schijvenaars; Ashleigh Roome

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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