**26th March 2018 EGM Minutes**

Prosecco opened to cheers, followed by a toast to TR

1. Attendees: Anna (AS), Becky (BS), Ellie (EW), Emma (EH), Ffion (FD), Hannah N (HN), Joanna (JS), Katherine (KR), Laura (LW), Rachel (RS), Rachel-Anne (RAS), Sue (SC), Martin (MC), Patrick (PD), Paul (PM)
Apologies: Hannorah, Emily, Hannah TD (HTD)
2. LW elected chair.
3. **2017 AGM Minutes:** All asked to have read minutes from AGM in advance. Action points summed up as follows.
	* Done:
		+ Ravens Insta Account (though needs connecting to FB account)
		+ Hoodies!
		+ Jubilee changes – changed single guard to egg-whisk
		+ Characters. HTD has had a go at it stepping in for SC. PM rather obviously has too! Had workshop/discussion with Simon Vaughn in run up to DERT.
		+ Trad team to decide on DERT kit
		+ Music, didn’t find anyone to join Kate, but did get MC & PD for DERT!
		+ Tat for DERT / stickers.
	* In progress:
		+ New/existing positions – see spreadsheet for updating
	* Not done yet:
		+ Tumbling practice
		+ Day of Dance - oops! Was supposed to be April, HN will sort a doodle asap and figure out when we can do this.
		+ Edinburgh Fringe festival – on hold as will be at Sidmouth!
		+ Archiving discussions – To be done once RAS has studied this! Still super keen though ☺
		+ Random figure calling practice
		+ Photos (staged ones at a practice followed by some at nearby pub. Alastair?)
4. **Updates:**
	* BS – Awesome! Well done. Did amazing. Got so much better since last year. Buzz was great. Lots of people talking about us. Ship video has so many views! (>20K and > 420 shares – next most shared has 30…) Thanks all! Good progress on Jubilee and Westerz has been made. Now to get everyone caught up in the next few months ahead of Sidmouth.
	* HN – We’re all awesome, just need to make sure we do the paperwork and sign-up.
	* SC – £341.85 in the account at the mo, will be topped up once we all pay for hoodies/T-shirts etc. and subs are due shortly. LW to send an email with costs. SC to let EW and EH know what they owe for DERT. Funds are ok.
	* Crawl organisers – done some. New people could “buddy up” for their first go at organising. Need to keep the crawl map up to date. TR should communicate with Thrales to avoid clashes.
	KR to step down. AS volunteered (Bank/St Pauls/Monument area can be covered easily). Vote of thanks to KR.
	Clapham nice in the Summer. Crawl organisers to chat about pubs – what done/needs doing.
	* Publicity – Thanks to all who did social-media-ing etc. at DERT. Where to store photos? Hard drive for the good ones (archivist job), and thumbnails elsewhere. WhatsApp good for sharing – can pick up for social media.
5. **Funds:** Subsidy of 50% is working well. Continue for rest of year.
Vote of thanks for booking trains and accommodation for DERT, as that made it easy.
6. **DERT:** We were awesome, keep doing what we do. Trad dance was lovely, results hopefully out soon. As well as being technically good, we’re better at the “swagger” now – more confident. Absolutely fabulous achievement, just need to keep the focus on winning next year!
7. **Dance Development:** Explore other Westerhope figures.
Forward tumbles? – need a safe space. Could Tom R come and teach us? Need strong arms.

20:18 RS enters.

Chorus/called dance – lots of different figures in people’s heads, let’s experiment. Could call it Crossrail/Elizabeth/Regina… Write a chorus dance as a pub dance.
New trad – not now!
8. **Crawls / Dancing out:** Dates for next few crawls on sign-up sheet.
	* No other festivals that we might have a team for, but mention if you are going anyway.
	* Characters – HTD happy to fill in, but would like to dance. Discuss when she is around! PM – thanks for having, can’t commit for next 5 months, but would like to come when free – odd crawl / back up etc. Special thanks to Paul for stepping in last minute for Westerhope tommy, Mabels enjoyed the story!
	MC – could all be beefeaters at Sidmouth. Dismissed due to quantity of sewing required…
	Piccadilly intro was 31s.
	* Sign-ups – HN to use the “Location TBC” and “Confirmed” to hopefully make it clearer.
9. **Sidmouth**. Will be hard work, but great fun. If want to do something as an individual, can arrange for that to happen as should have enough of us. Prepare a called dance soon – could then teach that if we have a workshop. Doodle asap to figure out day practice options (Sat better as can use the church hall). Practice teaching. All need to be able to lock from any position.
Meet the team (with Whip the Cat) – to discuss with them in advance.
Morris Party – we have been asked to do a spot – will be themed.
Need to confirm attendees by end of April.
if anything someone doesn’t want to do, then that’s ok, just let Becky know.
10. **Music:** MC would like to stay and be permanent musician. PD – would also like to come – could miss one Thrales practice a month to come to ours.
Back-up musician – MC likely to miss some practices in June. Could ask Nikki.
AS happy to play along /help in emergency.
11. **Clog:** EW has a simple dance she can teach us that can be done in rapper shoes. Try at next day practice. Waltz best for one person. Interested people: BS, RAS, KR, EH, EW, HN.
12. **AOB:**
	* Practice venues – Pub function rooms. Room inspectors – KR and EH. If spot a room while out in pubs let them know and they’ll ask at the bar.
	* DERT – at some point. Would be good to have help/share the load. Various people have organised an IVFDF. Don’t want to do on our own, but probably should do it at some point.
	* Zone 9-ers. Inactive members that wanted to stay in touch. FD and BS to review the list on the sign-up sheet.
	* Beginners Guide / Welcome Pack. SC has a thing she gives out with info on subs.SC to emails round and we can add to it to make official. Could accompany welcome to emailing list.
	PM – Drunken history recital at Xmas party?
	* Trampolining – Yes. LW to do a doodle for a Mon/Weds session.
	* BS going to ask for more feedback on the dance in The Ship.
	* DART – Candyrapper sort of invited us to go at some point. Would put us up, so would only need to worry about flights. Would like a whole team, but if one or two, could judge. All to consider this. (Sallyport going in 2019)
13. **Party!** (20:28)