



1st BLACKWATER VALLEY B-P SCOUT GROUP

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TRUSTEES REPORT

The four Trustees have met regularly and at need in addition to participating in bi-monthly Group leader meetings. All Trustees are Scouts with two still holding warrants within the Group, and another having previously held a warrant for Beavers and Cubs in our Group for two decades.

Continued efforts to secure grant funding to re-build our Scout Hut have continued to meet with rejection. The latest being the Community Ownership Fund a week ago, which would appear to have been written for our Scout Group. We hold a 25-year lease, our building is in community ownership (the members for the time being – all local families), and that building is in dire need of replacement. We have been running for over 30 years and have seen thousands of children pass through our Group benefitting from traditional Scouting and the positive character development that results.

The departure of the pre-school that had licensed use of our premises for 12 months continues to be acrimonious and unresolved.

However, our 30 years of providing Traditional Scouting has produced something very gratifying; “home Grown” new leaders, i.e. young adults who started with us at the age of 5 years in Beavers and have taken up warrants as leaders once they turned 18 years of age. Last November saw another three take up warrants as leaders once they turned 18, one for Cubs, one for Scouts, and one for the Senior Scout section. Our current team of 21 volunteers is now made up of 50% ‘young leaders’.

Group leader training has been another source of gratification with five leaders taking their Safety on the Hills (Expedition Leadership) Lowland module in Surrey last year, and three additionally taking their Upland module in Snowdon last year. Leader training this year includes a Preliminary Training Course (PTC) for new leaders, a ‘new leader’ camp and backwoods skills training weekend in Gloucestershire next month, with a further Safety on the Hills course (lowland and upland modules) planned for later this year. Most leaders hold 1st Aid, and ‘Remote 1st Aid’ training which is due for renewal this year.

Another positive to come out of this year is our Scout Group being accepted as a full member of the World Federation of Independent Scouts (WFIS) at their general Assembly in Portugal in February this year after satisfactory completion of the statutory three year probation period. WFIS has some 7 million members in 67 countries.

The focus of our Scout Group continues to be safely delivering traditional Scouting to young people through an established progress and achievement programme based on the good character, self confidence and community identity aspects of training identified by the founder of the Scout movement, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, and his wife Olave Baden-Powell, founder of the Guide movement.

Report compiled by Richard Llewellyn (GSM & Trustee)

FUND RAISING ACCOUNT 2022 - 2023

Bank Receipts £ a/c 33917262

Date	GIFT AID	Activities	DONATIONS	Transfer from Other Accounts	Fund Raising
April-22	-	-	-	-	26.30
May-22	-	-	-	-	12.00
June-22	-	-	-	-	2,616.09
July-22	-	-	-	-	12.00
August-22	-	-	-	-	60.94
September-22	-	-	-	-	15.00
October-22	-	-	-	-	12.00
November-22	-	-	-	-	38.32
December-22	-	-	-	-	-
January-23	-	-	14.00	30.00	113.63
February-23	-	-	-	358.64	133.48
March-23	-	-	-	660.00	10.68
Total	-	-	14.00	1,048.64	3,050.44

Expenditure £ a/c 33917262 FUND ACCOUNT

Date	Company Bank	Cash Expenses	Transfer to other a/c	Vehicles	fund raising costs	Scout Hut	Group Equipment	Unit costs	Cash received
April-22	55.00	-	-	55.00	-	-	-	-	55.00
May-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
June-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
July-22	1,691.20	-	-	1,691.20	-	-	-	-	1,691.20
August-22	104.10	-	-	104.10	-	-	-	-	104.10
September-22	152.00	-	-	152.00	-	-	-	-	152.00
October-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
November-22	50.00	-	-	50.00	-	-	-	-	50.00
December-22	295.00	-	-	295.00	-	-	-	-	295.00
January-23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
February-23	1,465.28	-	-	1,451.00	-	-	-	14.28	1,465.28
March-23	996.80	-	-	996.80	-	-	-	-	996.80
TOTAL	4,809.38	-	-	4,795.10	-	-	-	14.28	-

OPERATING ACCOUNT 2022 - 2023

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Year End Summary 2022-2023

Bank Receipts OPERATING A/C 25007262

Date	From Subs	Activities	Donations	Transfers from Other Accounts	Other
April-22	15.00	-	-	-	-
May-22	1,389.50	-	1.00	-	-
June-22	29.00	415.50	-	-	380.00
July-22	58.00	200.00	2.00	-	360.00
August-22	-	35.50	500.00	-	276.00
September-22	153.00	35.50	11.00	-	-
October-22	-	35.50	-	-	390.00
November-22	68.50	71.00	-	-	304.00
December-22	10.00	-	-	-	-
January-23	147.50	271.00	30.00	-	32.00
February-23	134.00	155.00	70.00	-	385.64
March-23	80.00	37.00	2.00	-	-
Total	2,084.50	1,256.00	616.00	-	2,127.64

Company Expenditure OPERATING A/C 25007262

Date	Company Bank	Cash Expenses	Association	Transfer to other	Activity costs	Scout Hut	Group Equipment	Unit costs	Cash in		
April-22	203.74	-	-	-	133.74	-	-	70.00	-	203.74	203.74
May-22	142.74	-	-	-	22.40	11.41	-	108.93	-	142.74	142.74
June-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
July-22	235.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	235.00	-	235.00	235.00
August-22	1,015.53	-	-	16.50	782.88	-	44.95	171.20	-	1,015.53	1,015.53
September-22	163.55	-	-	-	-	-	-	163.55	-	163.55	163.55
October-22	505.00	-	-	-	355.00	-	-	150.00	-	505.00	505.00
November-22	459.84	-	-	-	138.00	9.10	-	312.74	-	459.84	459.84
December-22	219.99	-	-	-	-	-	-	219.99	-	219.99	219.99
January-23	235.70	-	-	48.00	-	-	-	187.70	-	235.70	235.70
February-23	2,325.58	-	-	475.64	1,006.26	-	-	843.68	-	2,325.58	2,325.58
March-23	927.02	-	-	660.00	100.00	-	-	167.02	-	927.02	927.02
TOTAL	6,433.69	-	-	1,200.14	2,538.28	20.51	44.95	2,629.81	-		