

Annual General Meeting

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AGENDA

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| 1. Executive committee welcome | Baldish McGurrin |
| 2. Apologies for absence | Baldish McGurrin |
| 3. Thanks to the executive committee | Baldish McGurrin |
| 4. Approval of Annual Accounts and Treasurer's Report | Ken Ward |
| 5. Review and Approval of Reports from Sections and Executive | Baldish McGurrin |
| 6. Nominations / Elections to Executive Committee | Baldish McGurrin |
| a. Group Chair: Baldish McGurrin | Mungo Knott |
| b. To elect Group Treasurer: Mr Kenneth Ward | Baldish McGurrin |
| c. To elect Group Secretary: Mrs Glenda Hunter | Baldish McGurrin |
| d. To approve Group Scout Leader's nominations for Executive Committee: | Baldish McGurrin |
| i. Mr David Hunter | |
| ii. Mr Graham Cook. | |
| iii. Mrs Nafisa Ashing | |
| iv. Mr Darren Weeks – Standing down | |
| v. Mrs Alina Rusu | |
| vi. Mr Ben Weinberger | |
| 7. Confirmation of Ex Officio membership from the leadership | Baldish McGurrin |
| i. Geradine Palfreman | |
| ii. Christ Church Representative | |
| 8. Report from the Group Scout Leader | Mungo Knott |
| 9. A.O.B. | |
| 10. Close of Meeting | |

A Growing Movement - The Scout Association in the UK has grown

"We are a movement, not an organisation. We change with the times" – Robert Baden-Powell (BP)

The UK Scout Association has grown by 4% over the last 4 years. Proof that whilst it is a movement with a history, it has continued to adapt and therefore still remains relevant and valuable in the development of our young people today.

Looking forwards Scouting has been developing its 'Skills for Life' strategy which was launched 1 year ago, with a clear Vision

The 5 year Vision

By 2023 we will have prepared more young people with skills for life, supported by amazing leaders delivering an inspiring programme. We will be growing, more inclusive, shaped by young people and making a bigger impact in our communities.

Skills For Life

Is the plan to develop better futures for the young people with the aim of increasing the scope of Scouting to a further 50,000 young people in the next five years – That is doubling the current growth rate.

To do this the organization is focusing upon 3 pillars of Programme, People and Perception.

There are a range of initiatives being implemented including an exploration of Scouting opportunities for early years, a review of the current Uniform across sections and an improved support programme for adult leaders.

At the 11th

We know how much the young people in our Group gain from their involvement in Scouting. It is always a joy to see this.

During the last year we have welcomed new leaders across the Beaver and the Cub sections. We have also had some changes in our Scout section with Sam Covill standing down from his role as Scout Leader, but continuing to support the section as an Assistant Scout Leader. We are therefore currently seeking a new Scout Leader Appointment.

We have introduced Parent Rotas across both the Cub and Scout sections and I would encourage any adults who feel that they may be able to offer some time to support the leadership of the Group that this is a great way to find out a little bit more about how we work. The more support we can get here the more programme we can offer.

We have also appointed a new Chair to lead the Executive Committee, which is a very valuable body supporting the Leadership and overseeing the finance, resources and organization of the Group. We would also welcome new members who may be interested in supporting us in this way. If you are not sure what is involved or what you could offer please come and talk it through with me or any of the leaders or Executive Committee

Thank you to all those in the Section Leadership, Executive Committee and others for their contributions to our Group over the last year. I look forward to us creating more opportunities for our young people to learn their Skills For Life.

Mungo Knott

Group Scout Leader

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2019

<u>INCOME</u>		
<u>2017/18</u>		<u>2018/19</u>
13.78	Interest	21.11
7557.00	Subscriptions	8430.32
1257.54	Gift Aid Tax Refund	1817.10
7012.50	Hire of Headquarters	6775.88
116.00	100 Club - Net	80.00
45.21	Easy Fundraising	73.09
12441.74	Grants	
725.50	Donations	566.50
	Miscellaneous	
<u>29169.27</u>		<u>17764.00</u>
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		
2745.00	Membership Fees	3022.50
22069.74	Headquarters Running Costs	9933.34
2208.33	Sundry Income/Expenses of Sections	2545.40
	Equipment Purchase and Repair	1653.36
1683.02	Minibus Expenses	1963.82
56.00	Sundry Expenses	132.35
13.62	Transfer to(from) Repairs & Renewals Fund	21.05
<u>28775.71</u>		<u>19271.82</u>
<u>393.56</u> (S)	SURPLUS(S)/DEFICIT(D) FOR YEAR	<u>-(1507.82)</u> (D)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST MARCH 2019

<u>ASSETS</u>		
	Fixed Asset and Equipment costs are all written down to nil	
2903.27	Investment - National Savings Bank	2924.32
5759.49	Cash at Bank etc. and held by Sections	4086.06
8662.76		7010.38
<u>-632.31</u> (P)	Adj: Sundry Creditors(C)/Prepayments(P)	<u>-(797.92)</u> (P)
<u>9295.07</u>		<u>7808.30</u>
<u>GENERAL FUND</u>		
5998.24	Balance at Start of Year	6391.80
393.56 (S)	Surplus(S)/Deficit(D) for Year	-(1507.82) (D)
<u>6391.80</u>		<u>4883.98</u>
2903.27	REPAIRS & RENEWALS FUND	2924.32
<u>9295.07</u>		<u>7808.30</u>

The new team joined our experienced leaders: We started the autumn term with new faces in both terms of leaders and Beaver kits. The new leader team were soon given their names (from the Friends of the Forest story) by the Beavers:

Vicky Knott - Brown Beaver

Joelle Bailey - Malak

Sue Jones - Rainbow.

We've also had the continued strong and experienced presence of Peter Blayney (Rama) our Cub link leader, and Rusty, our Young Leader.

We covered both **challenge and activity badges** in this term,

We spent covered the **Space** badge, looking at a space mission to Mars and made robots for the **Builder** badge

We also completed the **Health and Fitness** badge, looking at the healthy foods and what makes a good meal, the importance of exercise, we make healthy snacks and also looked at a lamb's heart to learn how the heart works and is important in health and fitness.



We looked at code breaking, cipher wheels, different codes such as binary code and also learnt the phonetic alphabet, and all Beavers enjoyed spelling their name this way.

We made Christmas crafts in December.





← And we enjoyed a visit to the **Christmas pantomime**, The Wizard of Oz.

Sleepover: At the end of January, we held our first Beaver Sleepover in the scout hut. We were very grateful for the enormous help we had from Darryl Ashing, one of the Scout Leaders and our Young Leaders Rusty and Hawkeye. We couldn't have done it without them.





They led games in the dark (wildly popular) and set up the tents. The Beavers had snacks and watched a movie. Mum Farzana helped us until bed time. In the morning, Darryl made pancakes and the Beavers each helped to make their own. This event helped the Beavers towards their Outdoors Challenge Award badge.

Young Leaders: We welcomed a new young leader to our team this term, Sam, who is a great asset, and is now known by the name Hawkeye.



Luke, known to the Beavers as Rusty) achieved his Young Leader's Award. It was presented in front of the Beavers and we welcomed a number of guests to help celebrate Luke's achievement.

Chief Scout Bronze Awards and Moving up to Cubs:



Cameron, Ayan and Tia moved up to Cubs and so far this year, Cameron Ayan and Khalil have earned their Chief Scout Bronze awards. To earn it, Beavers have to participate in lots of activities including the weekend events where they can learn lots of the required skills.

District Craft Competition:

In January we took 4 Beavers to the craft competition where they had to create a set for their chosen play, 'The Wizard of Oz'. The 4 Beavers worked really hard throughout the competition, being very creative and thinking of unique ideas and they received a well deserved first place! We were very proud of their work. WELL DONE BEAVERS!!

District Dominoes Competition:

In March 4 Beavers took part in a dominoes competition, we have 2 weeks of knock out rounds on Monday nights at Beavers which was enjoyable for all!

All four Beavers played really well, and in the end we came sixth overall but we were so proud of the way the Beavers played and their attitude towards the other players and their positive attitude, so WELL DONE BEAVERS!!

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Badge work: Also in the Spring term we looked at what to do when an accident happens and who to call. We also started the disability awareness badge, learning about kids with autism, what guide dogs for the blind do and learnt the Beaver Promise in sign language, which we then performed to the parents.

We also did some nature activities, which included making a bird feeder and planting sunflower seeds.

The **summer term** has got off to a good start with learning about the green cross code and helping plant hanging baskets for Christchurch Lodge and playing outdoor games.

St Georges Day: The scouts of all levels celebrated St Georges Day and renewed our promises at Tolmers Activity Centre near Potters Bar. The Beavers did the climbing wall, trampolines, adventure playground, abseiling, a ramble through the woods, chopping kindling and cooking over a fire (sausages, bread on a stick and marshmallows). It was an action filled day and our Beavers were so brave and adventurous. We hope they slept well that night – the leaders did!



More fun to come: We are planning a hike in June which is has always been a great day in the Beaver Calendar and will finish up at the Cubs camp for a visit.

This summer term we plan to look at international aspects of Beavers, meet members from the community, and learn how they help people. As well as lots of outdoor games and fun.

We have very much enjoyed our first year of leading Beaver, we have learnt a lot and had so much fun and we are very much looking forward to our second year, hopefully welcoming more kits and having more fun and learning skills that these Beavers an use for life.

Thank you very much to Peter Blayney (Rama) for his constant support, guidance, wisdom and enthusiasm ☺ Also to Luke (Rusty) and Sam (Hawkeye) for their dedication week after week and all their help, especially with the games and all their creative ideas.

Sue (Rainbow) is always a breath of fresh air and fits in with team so well. We are so grateful all she brings to the team and how good she is with the Beavers.

Events still to come:

Saturday 8th June - Family Activity Day and AGM – a fun activity day for all the 11th Southgate scout families including parents.

Sunday 30th June - First Hike, finishing with a visit to the Cubs at camp

Vicky and Joelle

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Cubs Annual report to April 2019

Our numbers have varied over the last year ranging from 27 last summer, peaking at 38 during this Spring term and now back to a more manageable 32 now that we have recently despatched a batch of cubs up to the Scout section. New cubs have been arriving not only from the beaver section but also from outside the group as cubs have introduced their friends to the Group.



Cub Camp 2018. 29th June – 1st July 2018.

One of the main highlights of the Cub year – all of the cubs look forward to this event. Once again we had a good camp weekend with most of the cubs being able to take part. 21 in total. Our theme for this year was “International Camp”.



Our weekend included taking part in many basic scouting skills, trying our hand at fire lighting and backwards cooking; pioneering hike and a good old fashioned camp fire and sing learnt about maps and contours. We had great fun with a had a go at rifle shooting. We held our “Super cub” in a variety of activities requiring different skill sets. We had Jack Sutcliffe and Harry Sclater. Well done boys.



at fire lighting and backwards cooking; song. We did some mapping and scavenger hunt and wide games and competition with the cubs taking part joint winners this year.

A big thank you to all the leaders for giving up their weekend to run the camp, especially, Mary and Julie who work so hard cooking and generally looking after all of us, but an even bigger thank you to the parents that entrust their children to us for the weekend. We do hope that all of our cubs benefit from this event, learning to be a little more independent, learning to be a little more responsible for their own property, learning to share with others and hopefully growing in confidence in themselves.

Group AGM/Fun Day 2018. We have a nice number of cubs attend this day with their parents and families and a great time was had by all.

Cubs and parents tried their hand at a range of activities and as the weather was kind to us it made for a very sociable and pleasant day. Thank you to everyone that turned up and took part.





County/District Events. During this year we took part in a number of District Events.

Cub Sports	12 th May 2018	13 cubs taking part
Cub Trek 8	14 th October 2018	5 cubs
District Bowling	8 th November 2018	24 cubs
County Bowling	18 th November	5 cubs
District Chess	3 rd February 2019	6 cubs
District Swimming Gala	9 th March	13 cubs
St George's Day	28 th April 2019	13 cubs

We had a very wet and soggy Sports Day but everyone was in good spirits and the cubs all gave it their best shot.

We had some very young cubs in the Cub Trek 8 event which was one of the longer routes that we do. They all finished and were still smiling at the end but they all needed a good night's rest afterwards.

We did well in the District Bowling and then had to send a team to represent Southgate District in the County Event so well done all. We did not win but we received comments on how well behaved and polite our team was and so for me – that is a WIN!

We entered two teams into the Chess event and put up a good show as we did in the Swimming Gala where we achieved a very good 2nd and 3rd place with our two teams.



Programmes and badge work

Between the 1st May 2018 and the 30th April 2019 we have awarded a total of **347** badges!

This included 17 Challenge badges and more importantly 9 Chief Scout Silver Awards.

Congratulations to **Jack Sutcliffe, Jeet Thakrar, Marco Woodward, Edward Trew, Max Buchanan, Samuel McClean, Weinberger and Mikhail Parmar-Wilkins.**

Other badges awarded include Artist, Athletics, Backwoods Entertainer, Global Issues, Hobbies, Home Safety, Physical Away (various stages), Musician, Nautical Skills, Nights Away (Swimmer, Time on the Water. The variety reflecting the during the year and the cub's own interests.



Tsangari, Caspar Martin

Cooking, Cyclist, recreation, Hikes (various stages), programme

We also run programmes for fun and interest – not always for badges and we did some lovely craft work whilst commemorating Remembrance Day as well as discovering new things related to Chinese New Year and making a Wishing Tree. We also touched on Emergency Aid and Health and Fitness, we enjoyed Pancake Day and Easter and much much more.

As a Pack we also thought of others and took part in Christmas Shoe Box Appeal with a charity called TEECH. We made and sent out to Moldova 22 shoe boxes for children less fortunate than our own. A huge thank you to everyone that helped us with this appeal.

This is just a glimpse of what we have been up to over the last year. I hope you agree it is a varied programme and we try to find something for everyone to enjoy.

A huge thank you as always to the leadership team for all their help and assistance throughout the year not just on Thursday evenings but also time at weekends to accompany the cubs to various events. Thank you also to all the parents that bring their cubs along regularly to Pack Meetings and support us when we join in district events.

Akela.

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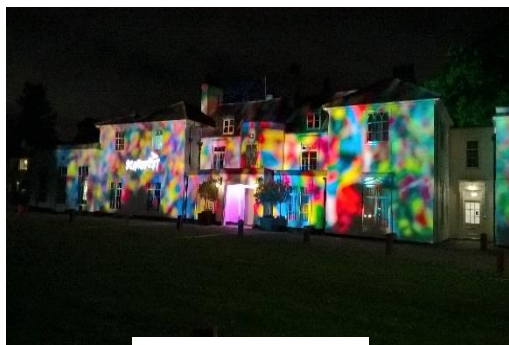
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Scout Section Annual Report

The troop is currently the largest it has been for at least the ten years that the current leadership team has been in post which is a fantastic endorsement of the programme we are running. We hope this will last for some years.

Given the numbers we have reintroduced a third patrol and so have six patrol leaders and assistants now which gives more scope for the scouts to help shape our programme and also allows us to arrange special activities just for them.



Scarefest 2018

Our first day back in Autumn is always when we finally have to finish cleaning up after summer camp and we all have to scrub out the pots and pans that resisted our efforts before leaving camp! However, we always end the evening on a high note with a good game.

The rest of the Autumn programme consisted of map and compass work with the scouts devising maps of the local areas and then using them to find their way around, emergency aid, training to safely use a knife, axe and saw, "trading posts" testing for scouting skills and teamwork, how to use tranguias to cook with, exploring our beliefs and attitudes including mental health issues, making star projectors and "stargazing".

We also hosted a very successful session "attending" JOTI/JOTA (Jamboree on the Internet/Jamboree on the Air) with our scouts speaking scouts from around the world. This was such a success that we intend to attend a campsite holding special event related to JOTI/JOTA in Autumn 2019.

District events we attended included: Paintball, 5-a-side football and ice skating and we'd like to thank the district team for putting on some great events.

At the end of October we attended Scarefest at the home of Scouting Gillwell Park with 7 of our scouts attending.



Ice Skating 2018

At the end of term as well as investitures and badge awards we had some fun at troop night. We also attended the pantomime put on by the London Pantomimers which was a very enjoyable version of the Wizard of Oz.

I am pleased to report that some of the leadership team earlier in the term attended a local Explorer scout unit to congratulate one of our former scouts achieving his Duke of Edinburgh Gold award. For a relatively small troop we have produced a lot of award winning scouts!

In the New Year we had a visit from a representative from HART (Humanitarian Aid Relief Trust) who explained about a competition they were running and which our scouts took part in enthusiastically. We continued our "star" theme from last term with the scouts constructing models of the solar system. The rest of the programme comprised practical first aid, knots and lashings, the ever popular Global village and of course wide games in Trent Park.



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Cooking Camp 2019

In February we visited a scout hut in East London for a very well attended cooking camp. The scouts produced some fantastic food and we hear that they have continued cooking at home as well!

Our scouts attended the district bowling although we did not perform as well this year as we have done in the past.

Term ended with presentations and badges as well as a fun shoebox quiz for the scouts and their families.



Troop night

Summer term can often be disrupted by exams but does have the benefit of bringing improved weather so we try to get out of the hut for various activities. Our focus this term has been on the "Air Activities" badge and we hope to culminate with a trip to the RAF museum in Hendon.

We also visited the 14th Southgate scout HQ for some fire lighting.

A team of our scouts took part in this year's district Ready, Steady, Cook! Competition showing some great team working skills.

District also organised a water activities day at ESSA which several of our scouts attended having a great time.



County organised a very good training day for patrol leaders and assistant patrol leaders and our scouts who attended have certainly benefited.

Looking forwards we have the following planned:

- District camp 2019 (which we organise);
- Trip to RAF museum Hendon;
- Water activities; and of course!
- Summer camp 2019

As ever we face some challenges as a leadership team particularly with the size of the troop. We are very happy to be joined by Steve Mayes formerly of the cub section and we are also grateful to Peter Blayney who helps out every week and most extra activities despite really being a cub leader and also thanks to Jemma Hey who somehow finds time to help us out as well as at least three other groups and units around the district. Lastly thanks to Charlie Clark our young leader who usefully lowers our average age as well as running several activities for the scouts.

We have had to institute a parent rota to ensure the safety of the scouts and would be grateful if parents could attend when requested as we may not be allowed to meet without this support!

Yours in Scouting

Darryl, Heather, Sam and Steve

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