

1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1036211

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1994-04-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN ACHIEVING THEIR FULL PHYSICAL, INTELLECTUAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL POTENTIALS AS INDIVIDUALS, AS RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS AND AS MEMBERS OF THEIR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITIES

Activities: Scout Group

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-01-31	£29,392	£19,986	-	-
2024-01-31	£42,425	£40,745	-	-
2023-01-31	£41,830	£38,311	-	-
2022-01-31	£40,985	£18,144	-	-
2021-01-31	£37,099	£25,252	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Phillip Prescott	Chair	2014-07-09
Elizabeth Jane Brugsch		2021-05-17
Julie-Anne Hills		2026-03-18
LESLEY BRUTON		2012-12-01
Lisa Walsh		2024-06-06
Sarah Jane Brown		2023-09-10

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Period of Report

For the year 1st February 2024 to 31st January 2025

Presented at the virtual Annual General Meeting on 28th June 2025

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Governance

All decisions that are either material to the group or relate to any form of financial approval are approved via the Trustee Board that is formed by the above Trustees.

The Trustee Board meets every two months (or more regularly as required for key decisions) and has a standing agenda that includes Financial Statement from the Treasurer, and update on group sections from the Group Scout Leader / Lead Volunteer.

(Aligned with the Trustee Board is the Operations Board which meets before the Trustee Board, with any actions or requests flowing to the Trustee Board for consideration. Members of the Operations Board include all uniformed leaders who are no longer members of the Trustee Board)

All meetings have a formal agenda with Actions and Decisions, along with key discussion points documented. This includes all voting decisions.

The Group executes activities as defined in the Scout Association Policy Organisation and Rules (POR) as available on the Scout Association website and updated as required.

Trustee training is available from the Scout Association.

Sections

- Squirrels - Monday Evening
- Mountain Beaver Colony – Wednesday Evening
- Python Cub Pack – Thursday Evening
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Chair's Update

Another great year with well over 110 young people across ages 4 to 18 involved with the Group, along with our adult volunteers that do such an amazing job of making the activities and camps happen.

It's also seen some fantastic camps that our leaders give up their weekends to run – having attended two, I can see how much effort is put in.

In terms of site maintenance, we have improved the building with new corridor protection, and are planning to grade and remove the old playground area this summer,

We continue to need volunteers who can help keep the group going. We are looking for everything from helping with cutting the grass once a month, to members of our Trustee Board. If you can help, then please let me know.

Andrew Prescott, Chair

Group Scout Leader's Update

We've had a busy year with all five sections providing a brilliant variety of activities - All sections are well subscribed which is a good indicator of the group's success.

In the summer we celebrated the group's 80th Birthday!!

We had a big party in the grounds with about 100 people attending. We had the district scout band attend and play for us which was great and quite moving too.

Our Squirrels leader Sarah Brown and her mum made an amazing cake with marzipan figures representing all the scout sections on it sat around a camp fire – it was really impressive. The cake was all eaten up in no time but I've kept the figures safe & sound.



We had people attending from our past & present and it was a really lovely afternoon with a barbeque to keep us all fed.

The Squirrels section is thriving and I'm always amazed at the different activities the leaders arrange for them.

The beavers had a joint Beavers and Cub camp a few weeks ago at Lyons Copse and have just attended a fun district beaver day at Lyons Copse.

The cubs are doing well, winning the district football competition last summer and then the camping competition in September too!

The scouts have been on a joint cub & scout camp at Denmead and are off to Lyons Copse in a couple of weeks then to Brownsea Island in September.

The Explorers have been busy too with ever new activities arranged for them. This week the explorers ran an incident hike for the scouts and it was a major success! This week they were learning all about car maintenance, a valuable life skill for sure.



I'd like to finish this report by thanking the Young People for their enthusiasm, it makes it all worthwhile.

Thank you to all the Parents / Guardians for your support and a massive thank you to the leadership team as without you all there would be no 1st Catisfield Scout Group.

Lesley Bruton, Group Scout Leader

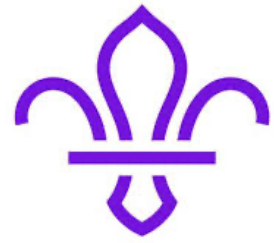
Approval

The Trustees (Committee) declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed by two trustees on behalf of the Committee

The committee considered and approved this report on 28th June 2025.

Signature	Printed name	Role / Designation	Date of Signature
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1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending 31st January 2025

1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Financial Year 1st February 2024 – 31st January 2025

Note the accounts are prepared on receipts and payments basis and not on accruals basis
Full account detail is within 1st Catisfield FreeAgent Reporting.

INCOME STATEMENT

Income for the year was £29,392. The income detail as summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Subscriptions	14,018
Less Capitation	-6,245
Sub-Total	7,773
Clothing Purchase	309
Donation	803
Camps & Activities	3,638
Gift Aid	3,211
HQ Rental	11,983
Grant Income	250
Interest Received	1,425
OVERALL INCOME TOTAL	29,392

MAIN COSTS

Gross Expenditure for the Year is £19,986 for the Receipts and Payments Account as presented for the year end submission. The expenditure is summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Water Supply Costs	537

HQ Maintenance	3,984
Badge Costs	381
Clothing Purchases	545
Sundries	755
Bank/Finance Charges	173
Insurance	842
Energy Costs	3,822
Section Expenses	3,283
Equipment Purchase	828
Camps & Activities Costs	4,836
TOTAL	19,986

PROFIT/LOSS

The profit for the current year is £9,406 (Income less Expenditure).

BALANCE SHEET

Shows Assets of £49,823 which is made up of:

Category	Value (£)
Current Account	8,248
90 Day Liquidity Manager Account	18,379
United Trust Bond (April 26)	15,541
United Trust Bond (Sept 26)	7,352
Accounts Receivable (inc Invoices not paid)	303
Accounts Payable (inc Camp & Event Funds held)	0
TOTAL	49,823

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Catisfield Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Catisfield Scout Group for the year ended 31st January 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the 1st Catisfield Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the 1st Catisfield Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the [Insert Scout Group/District name] as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed:

Name: Paul Betteridge LLB FCA

Address: 21 Whalesmead Road, Bishopstoke, Eastleigh, SO50 8HG

Date: 28/08/2025

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Period of Report

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Chair's Update

Another great year with well over 100 young people across ages 4 to 18 involved with the Group, along with our adult volunteers that do such an amazing job of making the activities and camps happen.

We have also this year built our new Fire Pit which is now regularly used by all sections – a great addition to the development of the site.

We continue to need volunteers who can help keep the group going. We are looking for everything from helping with cutting the grass once a month, to members of our Trustee Board. If you can help then please let me know.

Andrew Prescott, Chair

Group Scout Leader's Update

We've had a busy year with all five sections providing a brilliant variety of activities -All sections are well subscribed which is a good indicator of the group's success.

This year we are celebrating the group's 80th birthday!

The records at Gilwell show that 1st Catisfield started in 1944 and was originally known as St Peter & St Pauls– a few years later the group was split into 2 groups, one being 10th Fareham and the other 1st Catisfield. We still have strong links with our sister group 10th Fareham.

We were originally based in Catisfield village in the old 'Tin Tabernacle' before moving to our current site when the land and original smaller hut were gifted to the group.

We will be having a party to celebrate our birthday on Saturday 29th June and everyone is welcome. We have been contacting ex leaders and anyone that was involved with the group to invite them along.

We are hoping that the scout band will make an appearance, as they originally started at 1st Catisfield and as a child I well recall hearing them from across the estate when they were practicing!

We will have a barbeque and of course a big cake!

I'd like to finish this report by thanking the Young People for their enthusiasm, it makes it all worthwhile. Thank you to all the Parents / Guardians for your support and a massive thank you to the leadership team as without you all there would be no 1st Catisfield Scout Group.

Lesley Bruton, Group Scout Leader

Approval

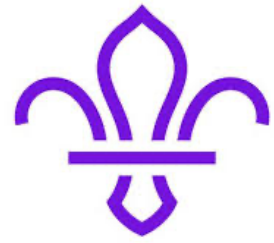
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Signed by two trustees on behalf of the Committee



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1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending 31st January 2024

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Financial Year 1st February 2023 – 31st January 2024

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INCOME STATEMENT

Income for the year was £42,425. The income detail as summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Subscriptions	14,820
Clothing Purchase	490
Donation	1,318
Camps & Activities	8,884
Gift Aid	3,545
HQ Rental	13,174
Fundraising	45
TOTAL	42,275
Interest Received	149
OVERALL INCOME TOTAL	42,425

MAIN COSTS

Gross Expenditure for the Year is £40,745 for the Receipts and Payments Account as presented for the year end submission. The expenditure is summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Water Supply Costs	491
HQ Maintenance	2,792

Badge Costs	916
Clothing Purchases	644
Sundries	312
Accommodation and Meals	746
Bank/Finance Charges	337
Insurance	810
Energy Costs	4,867
HQ Refurbishment	7,417
Camps & Activities Costs	10,918
Leaders Expenses	3,153
Equipment Purchase	1,066
Capitation	6,276
TOTAL	40,745

PROFIT/LOSS

The profit for the current year is £1,680 (Income less Expenditure).

BALANCE SHEET

Shows Assets of £40,790 which is made up of:

Category	Value (£)
Current Account	8,914
90 Day Liquidity Manager Account	8,047
United Trust Bond (April 24)	15,000
United Trust Bond (Sept 24)	7,000
Accounts Receivable (inc Invoices not paid)	1,468
Accounts Payable (inc Camp & Event Funds held)	0
TOTAL	40,429

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Catisfield Scout Group

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Responsibilities and basis of report

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Independent examiner's statement

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2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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Paul Betteridge FCA LLB

11th October 2024

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Chair's Update

This year has thankfully seen a return to a more normal scouting activities after a number of yours of covid disruption. It's great to see the group continue to be successful, with over 100 young people in our sections from Blackbrook Squirrels, right through to Merlin Explorers. This year has also

seen a number of new adult helpers and leaders join us, which is so vital if we want to continue to offer an exciting programme of activities.

This year sees a change in name for the Executive Committee, with it now being referred to as Trustee Board. This is really more representative of what this group does, and directly refers to the role the Board has as Charity Trustees for the group. We have a couple of vacancies for parent representatives, so if you can give an hour every couple of months to support us then please let me know.

The group has also continue to be successful in other income sources – particularly with the rental of the HQ which is now well used throughout the week by various other groups. This really helps financially as we look to continue to develop the programme and facilities.

Finally, I would like to offer my thanks to Lesley, the section leaders, and all of our leaders and helpers that make the group the success it has been over the last 12 months.

Andrew Prescott, Chair

Group Scout Leader's Update

We've had a busy busy time with all five sections providing a brilliant variety of activities over the past year. All sections are well subscribed which is a good indicator of the group's success.

Hopefully most of you will have seen our splendid new fire-circle which was completed over the summer holidays. It will be great to have a purpose built area where we can have camp-fires and practice fire-lighting and backwoods cooking. The Scouts christened it this Wednesday night with a fire and the obligatory marshmallows and toasted bread.



After a few years break we all went off to Braggers Wood camp-site in the New Forest in May for our 1st Catisfield Group Camp.

The Squirrels had a day visit, the Beavers stayed for a night and the Cubs, Scouts & Explorers all stayed two nights. It's a beautiful site right in the forest and we did a lovely hike plus archery, axe throwing, rifle shooting, cook-out on open fire, pizza making plus a big group camp-fire.

Our Squirrels Drey is doing really well and had their 1st Birthday earlier in the year. They attended a Squirrels Fun day at Fernycrofts activity centre in the New Forest last September. The number of activities laid on was very impressive, like archery, climbing, bouncy castles, crafts and backwoods cooking. Lots of our Squirrels are booked on to go again this autumn.

There has been a change of leadership with Jess Sansom stepping down and Danielle Wheatley & Sarah Brown taking on the leadership between them. They need another couple of leaders to join them on Monday evenings from 5-6pm so if anyone fancied helping out even on an occasional basis please let us know.

The Beavers have been busy too. They had an easter sleepover at the scout hut earlier this year and had an egg hunt, easter craft activities, a camp-fire and fish & chips for dinner. There's another one arranged for Halloween this winter and our leader 'River' will be gaining her Night Away permit. They have also been out and about doing climbing and archery at Lyons Copse.

The Beavers are off on a District Fun Day at Lyons Copse in a couple of weeks with lots of them signed up for the day's activities.

The Cubs have been very busy with lots of camps and competitions. They competed in the District Camping competition in September and took first and second place! Good luck to them in this year's competition in a couple of weeks. They also took part in the District Football competition in June and won, both our teams did really well.

In April we took them to London to stay aboard the HMS Belfast and see the sights, it was a weekend to remember.

The District Cub camp was held at Lyons Copse in July and we welcomed about 170 Cubs from all our neighbouring groups. We have 9 Cubs in the process of moving up to Scouts and wish them well.

The Scouts have had a great year and are thriving under the leadership team with lots of activities arranged. They are off to Fernycrofts in October on a 'Fright Night' last time they went the Scouts loved it. They have been climbing, done archery, lots of hikes, backwoods cooking and hikes.

In June some of the Scouts had the opportunity to go to Wales. They camped at a Scout ground in the Brecon Beacons and did lots of walking and exploring.

Sabine gained her Nights Away permit on the Wales trip – congratulations.



They are arranging another camp for later this year.

The Explorers have been away camping lots, a firm favourite and are off again in a couple of weeks – sleeping in hammocks at Everetts Copse. They took part in the County Kudo night hike earlier this year and their team took first place in their category – excellent.

We also had a team of Explorers take part in their DofE expedition in the New Forest and they did a great job showing very impressive map reading skills and teamwork.

I'd like to finish this report by thanking the Young People for their enthusiasm, it makes it all worthwhile. Thank you to all the Parents / Guardians for your support and a massive thank you to the leadership team as without you all there would be no 1st Cat Scout Group.

Lesley Bruton, Group Scout Leader

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INCOME STATEMENT

Income for the year was £41,830. The income detail as summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Subscriptions	14,650
Clothing Purchase	964
Donation	585
Camps & Activities	10,171
Gift Aid	3,031
HQ Rental	12,344
Fundraising	85
TOTAL	41,830

MAIN COSTS

Gross Expenditure for the Year is £38,311 for the Receipts and Payments Account as presented for the year end submission. The expenditure is summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Water Supply Costs	446
HQ Maintenance	1,812
Badge Costs	1,243
Clothing Purchases	2,064
Sundries	560
Bank/Finance Charges	260
Insurance	737
Energy Costs	3,120
HQ Refurbishment	9,438
Camps & Activities Costs	6,855
Leaders Expenses	2,369
Equipment Purchase	4,447
Capitation	4,960
TOTAL	38,311

PROFIT/LOSS

The profit for the current year is £3,518 (Income less Expenditure).

BALANCE SHEET

Shows Assets of £38,751 which is made up of:

Category	Value (£)
Current Account	21,286
Savings Account	15,000
Accounts Receivable (inc Invoices not paid)	2,465
Accounts Payable (inc Camp & Event Funds held)	0

TOTAL

38,751

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Paul Betteridge FCA LLB
22nd August 2023

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Sections

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Mountain Beaver Colony – Wednesday Evening

Python Cub Pack – Thursday Evening

Discovery Scout Troop – Wednesday Evening

Merlin Explorer Unit - Thursday Evening

Chair's Update

Another challenging but successful year for the group. It's really fantastic to see the group grow to over 120 young people, and open a new section for 4-6 year olds (Squirrels). It's great to see the HQ busy every week with these sections back regularly face to face, after so long with disruption.

The focus for the exec team has been on continuing to support the group, and this period has seen the new disabled ramp and defibrillator installed, and substantial funding for new camping equipment for a number of sections (including new tents that had their first outing at Cub camp!). Subs, combined with the rental of the HQ across the week really helps to ensure we can continue that support.

As a growing group, we are still in need of more adult volunteers, so if you can spare even a small amount of time, then there is undoubtedly something you can contribute to help the group - just chat to any of the section leaders, myself or Lesley.

Finally I would like to thank the leaders and assistants across all sections - their efforts are vital in making the group the success it is.

Andrew Prescott, Chair

Group Scout Leader's Update

The last year has seen the welcome return of proper face to face Scouting.

Member numbers are back up and all sections are running at full capacity which is great to see.

November saw the opening of our first ever Squirrels Drey 'Blackbrook Squirrels' and we were delighted to welcome the new Squirrels leaders Jess, Rosie, Sarah, Julie, Gemma and Young Leaders Jayne & Chloe. They are doing a great job.

The 4 – 6 year olds are embracing Scouting and very smart they look in their bright red jumpers!

One of our longest standing leaders Clive Searle retired this spring at the venerable age of 82 years – he'd notched up over 40 years of sterling service and he will be much missed by those of us who know him.

The Explorers have been away camping a couple of times and Melissa Chorlton gained her Nights Away Permit – the Explorers Unit is proving very successful with member numbers continuing to grow.

Rachel Butcher, assistant Explorer leader has now stepped down and we wish her well and are grateful for her service.

Discovery Scouts are doing well and some of them are off to the New Forest next weekend on an Expedition Camp which will help them gain their Chief Scout Gold award.

Pythons Cubs have just had their first camp in 2 years.

We were at 'Cricket Camp' at Hamble River Country Park and had a splendid time. 29 Cubs attended and on the second day we had 14 Beavers come along and join us. We had the entire site to ourselves which was a treat.

All the children did really well, especially as it was the first night under canvas for the majority of them.

District Camp at Lyons Copse is coming up over the Jubilee long bank holiday weekend and we have already got lots of Young People signed up to attend.

This year the theme is Star Wars and all the Sections will be dressing up, always good fun.

We are really pleased to say that the disabled ramp at the hut is just being finished and the defibrillator has just been fitted to the outside of the gates.

The defib is available to the general public as well as anyone using the hut and we thank Fareham Council for funding towards both the ramp and the defib.

I'd like to finish this report by thanking the Young People for their enthusiasm, it makes it all worthwhile. Thank you to all the Parents / Guardians for your support and a massive thank you to the leadership team as without you all there would be no 1st Cat Scout Group.

Lesley Bruton, Group Scout Leader

Approval

The Trustees (Committee) declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed by two trustees on behalf of the Committee

The committee considered and approved this report on 29th May 2022.

Signature	Printed name	Role / Designation	Date of Signature
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1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending 31st January 2022

Financial Year 1st February 2021 – 31st January 2022

Note the accounts are prepared on receipts and payments basis and not on accruals basis

Full account detail is within 1st Catisfield FreeAgent Reporting.

INCOME STATEMENT

Income for the year was £40,985. The income detail as summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Subscriptions	12,893
Clothing Purchase	530
Donation	2,153
Camps & Activities	1,067
Gift Aid	2,773
HQ Rental	5,535
Jumble Sale Proceeds	20
Fundraising	64
Grant Income	15,943
Interest Received	7
TOTAL	40,985

MAIN COSTS

Gross Expenditure for the Year is £18,144 for the Receipts and Payments Account as presented for the year end submission. The expenditure is summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Water Supply Costs	489
HQ Maintenance	2,506
Badge Costs	794
Clothing Purchases	1,439
Sundries	53
Bank/Finance Charges	30
Insurance	707
Energy Costs	1,234

HQ Refurbishment	1,950
Camps & Activities Costs	1,148
Leaders Expenses	1,248
Equipment Purchase	1,956
Capitation	4,590
TOTAL	18,144

PROFIT/LOSS

The profit for the current year is £22,841 (Income less Expenditure).

BALANCE SHEET

Shows Assets of £35,594 which is made up of:

Category	Value (£)
Current Account	35,594
Accounts Receivable (inc Invoices not paid)	0
Accounts Payable (inc Camp & Event Funds held)	0
TOTAL	35,594

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Catisfield Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Catisfield Scout Group for the year ended 31st January 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no material concerns and have come across no other significant matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Betteridge".

Paul Betteridge FCA LLB
3th May 2022

1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1036211

Accounts

1st Catisfield Scout Group

Period of Report

For the year 1st February 2020 to 31st January 2021

Presented at the virtual Annual General Meeting on 17th May 2021

Registered Charity Number: 1036211



1st Catisfield Scout Group

Name of Charity 1st Catisfield Scout Group
Principal / Contact Address 134 Blackbrook Road, Fareham, PO15 5BY

Names of all trustees (all voting members of the committee)

Andrew Prescott (AP), Chair | **Hazel Stevens (HS)**, Treasurer | **Dave Braines (DB)**, Secretary | **Lesley Bruton (LB)**, Group Scout Leader | | **Angela Kerfoot (AK)**, Leader – Mountain Beavers | **Sabine Braines (SB)**, Leader – Discovery Scouts | **John Campbell (JC)**, Quartermaster and Assistant Leader – Discovery Scouts | **Melissa Chorlton (MC)**, Leader – Merlin Explorers | | **Bill Starkey (BS)**, Parent Representative | **Eileen Leach (EL)**, Representative | **Derek Kelson (DK)**, Parent Representative | **Daren Emmons (DE)**, Parent Representative | **Becci Hatt (BH)**, Parent Representative

Note: Bob Turner and Rob McClurg have stood down as Executive Members and trustees during this period.

Governance

All decisions that are either material to the group or relate to any form of financial approval are approved via the Executive Committee that is formed by the above Trustees.

The Executive Committee meets every two months (or more regularly as required for key decisions) and has a standing agenda that includes Financial Statement from the Treasurer, and update on group sections from the Group Scout Leader.

All meetings have a formal agenda with Actions and Decisions, along with key discussion points documented. This includes all voting decisions.

The Group executes activities as defined in the Scout Association Policy Organisation and Rules (POR) as available on the Scout Association website and updated as required.

Trustee training is available from the Scout Association online, and in this reporting period many of the Executive have undertaken different elements of this training.

Sections

- Mountain Beaver Colony – Wednesday Evening
- Python Cub Pack – Thursday Evening
- Discovery Scout Troop – Wednesday Evening
- Merlin Explorer Unit - Thursday Evening

Chair's Update

This is my seventh year as Chair, and I think I can safely say it has been a challenging and somewhat different year to all others.

COVID has undoubtedly, like most of you, turned our Scout Group upside down. Within a matter of weeks of the initial lockdown, the leaders had mobilised on zoom-based section meetings - this is a whole new way of meeting and requires a different approach to face-to-face. I would like to personally thank the section leaders and their teams in how they moved so quickly, and provided what many parents have commented to me as the only way of their children connecting with their friends during a protracted period of time - a really fantastic achievement. We then returned to scouting face-to-face, but again that brought a whole new set of challenges - from one-way systems, to enhanced cleaning, face masks, hand washing - and all in a way that can still motivate and inspire the children - something I am confident we have achieved and again my thanks go out to a great set of leaders that have responded so positively in what have been challenging times.

After another lockdown period, we are just restarting face-to-face scouting again, and with some level of hope, no return to further lockdowns, but the group does this with a whole new set of skills and options for the future.

Other things have happened in the last 12 months with the group. We completed the demolition of the original Scout HQ building (dating back to the 1950's), and have returned that area and the area adjacent to the entrance to grass. This has enabled us to move the fire-pit to a more open area where can hopefully fit the whole group round at some point when restrictions allow. We also made the tough decision to stop running Jumble Sales. Whilst we know this was a popular community event each month, we were continually struggling to find volunteers to run it. We will now focus our fund raising on specific events once conditions allow.

Now we have adjusted the site, the next few months will see a new hedge line planted on the western boundary, and establishing the promised rose garden in memory of Rose Fogwill, our previous Group Scout Leader in the old playground area.

Finally, a thank you to the Executive, and our supporters. A whole range of contributions in time and effort make the group the success it is today. From mowing the lawn, to electric work, to accounts, it all makes the group the success it is today with over 100 young people across all of our sections.

Andrew Prescott, Chair

Group Scout Leader's Update

When we went into lockdown last spring we all wondered what this would mean for local scouting – a few weeks later we were up and running with 'Virtual Scouting' on Zoom.

It was a steep learning curve for a lot of us but with some help from those 'that know' and social media Scouting Facebook groups for virtual programme ideas we were on a roll.

We held weekly section Zoom meetings and our leaders did a sterling job of keeping the Young People entertained – I'd like to thank all the Group leaders for doing such an amazing job during what has been a very difficult and challenging year for everyone.

The Young People and parents have been great in supporting the online activities and challenges we set.

In July at the end of term we arranged a 'Virtual Group Camp' and we had the Young People camping out in their gardens and making dens indoors. They 'pimped' their tents and dens and had great fun cooking meals and playing games and naturally we had a 'virtual' camp fire with songs. Parents sent in photos which were posted on our Group Facebook site throughout the camp so everyone could see what was going on. We had a design a camp badge competition and the entrants were inspiring. There was a vote for the winner and the favourite badge was made up and given to all camp participants. The winning designer was Adam Barfoot in the Beavers, well done Adam. It was a lovely way to end the term and we even pre-recorded an opening and closing ceremony at the Scout hut with guest appearances from most of the leaders.

We were able to finally demolish the small hut during the summer holidays and the area has now been turfed making the site look even bigger with more space for the Young People to run around.

The site continues to be improved and we are in the process of making a new fire circle and setting up raised planting beds – a big thank you to the leaders and Executive Committee members who have been helping with all the site improvements.

There will be a planter for each section to plant up and two will be used for Rose's commemorative roses - they are currently growing nicely in my garden

We will then put Rose's bench out with her roses.

So, things are looking up now and it's been great to see everyone returning to face-to-face Scouting – long may it continue!

Lesley Bruton, Group Scout Leader

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Signed by two trustees on behalf of the Committee

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1ST CATISFIELD SCOUT GROUP

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending 31st January 2021

Financial Year 1st February 2020 – 31st January 2021

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INCOME STATEMENT

Income for the year was £37,099. The income detail as summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Subscriptions	12,906
Clothing Purchase	83
Donation	214
Camps & Activities	205
Gift Aid	3,381
HQ Rental	2,115
Jumble Sale Proceeds	347
Fundraising	37
Grant Income	17,811
TOTAL	37,099

MAIN COSTS

Gross Expenditure for the Year is £22,252 for the Receipts and Payments Account as presented for the year end submission. The expenditure is summarised below:

Category	Value (£)
Jumble Sale Expenses	135
Water Supply Costs	780
HQ Maintenance	5,102
Badge Costs	711
Clothing Purchases	106
Sundries	97
Bank/Finance Charges	8
Insurance	807
Staff Training	0
Bad Debts W/O	0
Energy Costs	1,636
HQ Refurbishment	10,577
Camps & Activities Costs	13

Leaders Expenses	652
Equipment Purchase	0
Capitation	4,628
Explorer Unit Expenses	0
TOTAL	25,252

RETAINED EARNINGS

The total Retained Income (profit) for the current year is £11,847
(Income less Expenditure).

BALANCE SHEET

Shows Assets of £12,710 which is made up of:

Category	Value (£)
Current Account	16,960
Nationwide Savings Account	100
District Loan	-4,250
Accounts Receivable (inc Invoices not paid)	-100
Accounts Payable (inc Camp & Event Funds held)	0
TOTAL	12,710

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Paul Betteridge FCA LLB
5th May 2021

APPENDIX ONE: Section Reports

Mountain Beaver Colony Report

Wow what a year, from three national lockdowns and switching Beavers to Zoom, to going from Assistant Beaver Leader to Beaver Leader, a role which I'm still trying to get my head round and still learning. I officially took over in November, in the middle of lockdown 2. In that time, we lost one of our young leaders to another Explorer unit, but gained another leader in Sarah McArdle. We have a very healthy membership and many on the waiting list.

After we had all got to grips with Zoom, we did loads of fun activities including, making Chinese window flowers, junk modelling, healthy eating and fitness, watching planes landing and taking off from Heathrow, cracking messages in Morse Code, and making Armpit Rocky Road!! That was a first for me and went down a treat with the Beavers. All of these activities covered many different badges including, Communicator, Health and Fitness, Build, and My World. As well all these activities we have had some fabulous guests joining us. We've seen some exotic animals with Jungle Jo, made lots of noise with Rhythmicity, meet a First Aider, and had a great story with Conrad Burderkin.

We've also had two Beavers achieve their Chief Scout Bronze Award, well done Adam Barfoot and Imogen Prescott.

I would just like to say a massive thank you to all the Mountain Colony leaders for helping to make all these activities lots of fun and enjoyable for the Beavers – Eleanor Coutts, Edel Relph, Sarah McArdle, Eileen Leach, our young leaders Lewis and Toby, and in particular Mel Chorlton who has been a massive help to me with the transition to Beaver Leader, I couldn't have done it without her. Also, a big thank you to Lesley Bruton and all the other Leaders at 1st Catisfield for all your help and support.

Angela Kerfoot / River - Beaver Scout Leader

Python Cub Pack Report

I've been writing these reports every year for many many years now but this year my annual report bears little resemblance to previous years.

Going into total lockdown last spring was a shock for everyone and it didn't seem possible that we would be able to carry on with any Scouting at all. However, after Easter we were back with Virtual Scouting and thank goodness for Zoom!

The Cubs embraced the weekly zoom meetings and challenges we set them.

We played games, did scavenger hunts and even managed to complete some badges, we did the Astronomers badge, Chef, Artist, Personal & Home Safety badges plus

some of the Cubs independently gained badges e.g., Home Help, Animal Carer, Hobbies, Collector and many more.

We encouraged the Cubs to camp in their gardens or make indoor dens and sleep in them – and they loved it! We counted these nights towards their ‘Nights Away’ staged badges and between them they racked up a LOT of nights.

We did a 1st Catisfield Virtual Camp at the end of the summer term and nearly all of the Cubs took part. They put up tents and made dens, they decorated them and flooded facebook with all the fabulous pictures. They made ‘Mocktails’ cooked dinner, played games, had a campfire and cooked their breakfast the next day.

It was a lovely way to end the summer term.

A great favourite with the Cubs was our ‘Cooking with Kaa’ sessions - the Cubs made Sweetcorn fritters, pizza bagels, Sponge cake and Christmas cookies and Yule logs.

Parents took lots of photos of all the cooking and activities so we have lots of great photos to remind us of what we all got up to.

We made space models & book covers and we had some excellent special guests visit us too.

We had a crazy magician, Jungle Jo with all her reptiles & amphibians, a drumming session, a space session, Horus Birds of Prey plus the best storyteller ever, Conrad Burdekin who made a return visit for a fun poetry session.

The Cubs tuned in week after week and really embraced everything with enthusiasm and I’d like to thank the parents for their contribution as without their support and encouragement the last year would have been very different.

I’m so proud of everything the Cubs have achieved this past year, seeing their smiling faces on Zoom every week has made the effort all worthwhile.

As ever, without the support of my Cub leaders, we wouldn’t have been able to keep going and now that we are able to return face-to-face we look forward to doing all the activities we couldn’t do through a computer screen – hurrah!

Lesley Bruton / Akela - Pythons Cub Pack Leader

Discovery Scout Report

Never did we ever imagine life changing so much in one year, it has been resilience and adaptation at its best and scouting continued to provide the support and values it prides itself on.

Our Expedition Challenge weekend in March 2020 was attended by 15 of our scouts who successfully navigated their way across the marshes of the New Forest - it comprised 2 days of walking for at least 4 hours and an overnight camp, most (if not all) had never done this kind of challenge before so it was a huge achievement for all.

Once we'd realised that face-to-face was not going to be an option for some time, we came up with an online programme, it was important to keep the connection going and was fun to create a light-hearted varied programme including; escape rooms, lots of cooking (thank you John), games and quizzes, and even a virtual trip to a nature reserve in Tanzania!

The group virtual camp was well attended and many of the scouts enjoyed camping in the garden over the summer months.

On returning back to scouting after the summer we made the decision to merge the two scout troops so that we could run one programme and focus on badge work to continue to work towards their Gold Awards. The zoom sessions were well attended and along with a small backlog from the previous term, we ended up handing out almost 300 badges (digital citizen, digital maker, meteorologist, local knowledge, crafts, world, personal, expedition and creative challenge badges) and investing 11 new members.

We also said goodbye to several of our older scouts most of whom moved up to Merlin Explorers which is excellent!

I would like to thank the whole group; sections and support, for keeping everything moving and helping us all to adapt, especially Andrew who taught us the ways of zoom and set it all up for us! And a huge thank you to our scout leaders who all attended the online sessions and who stepped way out of their comfort zones to run sessions too, it was a learning curve for all. The scout hut also looks fantastic with lots of work continuing over lockdown and we look forward to using all that fabulous outdoor space over the coming months.

Sabine Braines, Scout Leader - Discovery Troop Leader

Merlin Explorer Report

This past year has been truly exceptional, both for Scouting in general and Merlin Explorers. Our membership has grown steadily despite restrictions and 2 lockdowns and we now have 16 members and a new Explorer Scout Leader! I took over as Explorer Scout Leader in May 2020 during lockdown 1 – a big leap into the unknown as I had been a Beaver Scout Leader for a long time. We also gained 2 new assistant leaders, bringing the Merlin leader team to 6.

We all soon got used to the format of Zoom meetings and, during the summer term, we did a wide variety of online activities ranging from armpit fudge and microwave mug cakes to marshmallow tower building and a virtual escape room. During the autumn term we were able to meet face-to-face for a while and we made the most of

the outdoors, making our own stoves and cooking on them and taking part in an incident hike amongst other things. Spring 2021 saw us back on Zoom again taking part in a drumming workshop, doing Taskmaster challenges, cooking pancakes and tortilla pizzas and vegetable carving. We also organised a presentation about the top awards in Explorer Scouts which was well attended with many Explorers expressing an interest in signing up to do the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

I would like to say a huge thanks to the Merlin leader team for helping to make all these exciting activities happen - Rachel Butcher, Cogy Coghlan, Andy Smith, Will Chorlton and Daren Emmons, to Lesley Bruton the Group Scout Leader, and also to all the other leaders from 1st Catisfield for their help and support.

Finally, I would like to thank all the parents and members of Merlin ESU for your help and support throughout the year. We hope the next 12 months will be even more action-packed and successful as the last.

Melissa Chorlton, Leader - Merlin Explorer Scout Leader