

G.S.L.'s Report

What a brilliant year we have had – well done to all our young people in joining back in with face to face activities. As you will read in our Section Reports: Leaders, Explorers, Scouts, Cubs and Beavers have all enjoyed some amazing experiences and challenges over the past twelve months and we are all looking forward to 2023.

My particular highlight was finally returning to the Isle of Wight for our long-awaited summer camp at the Corf campsite – the weather was brilliant and some wonderful memories made – well done to all the adults and young people (for many it was their first full week of camping away from home) for helping to build them. Particular thanks to Stephanie for organising and cooking most of our meals – with help from Zachary – we have decided that personal chefs are a must for future camps 😊. We know that our younger leaders faced a difficult time taking the power boats back home – so a big thank you to them for taking on that challenge and for getting home safely.

Looking forward we now face the challenge of team changes. Our Cub team, Richard and Tim (Akela and Shere Khan) are stepping down from their roles with the pack at half-term and we are faced with big shoes to fill. Richard has run the pack for many years, with Tim joining him for the past decade – we know that lots of young people have enjoyed their experience as Cub Scouts because of them: THANK YOU – YOU WILL BE MISSED. They are not leaving the group, and you will see that they are running a weekend camp shortly to share their Scouting skills with other leaders – let us know if you would like to join in the fun.

We are also sad that our deputy treasurer, Mandie, is moving "up north": over her many years with the group (Compass tells me since 2005) she has helped to obtain grants of over £80 000 – a huge sum –

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which has paid for boats, the nature area, soundproofing the hut, sheds at Spinnaker and trailers. We wish Mandie and her family all the best with their move and thank her for the amazing contribution to the group, enabling us to be successful well-equipped Sea Scouts.

I was trying to keep my report short this year, failing as usual, but my final request is that if you think you might be interested in helping our TEAM to continue to offer Scouting to our children – please do try it, it is rewarding and you will enjoy it.

Martine Coatham,
Group Scout Leader

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Accounts for Year Ending 31st March 2022

	Account Scottish Widows	Account Lloyds Current	Account Lloyds 100 Club	Petty Cash	Total Scout Group	Previous Year
Opening Balance	14,364.74	16,292.98	6,036.58	50.00	36,744.30	27,041.02
Receipts		37,155.10	571.00		37,726.10	33,329.44
Interest	1.43	-	0.60		2.03	3.14
Payments		36,284.61			36,284.61	23,629.30
Transfers			- 360.00		- 360.00	- 360.00
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Closing Balance	14,366.17	17,523.47	6,248.18	50.00	38,187.82	36,744.30

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 1st Sandleheath Sea Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the 1st Sandleheath Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2022, which are attached.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the Charity's Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Section 43(7) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) does not apply.

It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43(7) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records
 - to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act,have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.
3. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material aspect the accounting rules of the Group's constitution have not been met.

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