

30TH REIGATE SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1121934

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2007-12-11

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

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Activities

Objects: ROYAL CHARTER GRANTED 4 JANUARY 1912ROYAL CHARTER DATED 4 JANUARY 1912 AND SUPPLEMENTAL CHARTERS DATED 28 MARCH 1949, 18 FEBRUARY 1959, 5 MAY 1967 AND 19 JULY 1991.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: The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED. IN PRACTICE: LOCALLY IN THE REIGATE, SURREY AREA.
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£92,989	£84,994	-	-
2024-03-31	£100,173	£96,005	-	-
2023-03-31	£97,938	£79,018	-	-
2022-03-31	£93,067	£59,417	-	-
2021-03-31	£73,503	£23,480	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
John Michael Hill	Chair	
JAMES CLARK		
Peter Mitchell		2020-04-01

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30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

Annual Report & Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2025



30th Reigate Scout Group

30th Reigate Scout Group Scout Council

Annual General Meeting

Monday 15 September 2025 at 7.30pm

At Somers Hall

Agenda

1. Introduction and welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Governance topics
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 September 2024
 - b. Confirm the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR), as agreed by the Trustee Board
 - c. Note the Group's financial year
 - d. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
 - e. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Trustee Board
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 - a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the 30th Reigate Scout Group
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 - c. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board
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30th Reigate Scout Group Trustee Board

Minutes of Annual General Meeting 23 September 2024 at Somers Hall, 7.30 pm

Introduction: The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

Apologies: Martin Boyce, Judy Clark

Governance topics

- a. The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 September 2023 were approved by the meeting
- b. The model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) was readopted
- c. The Group's financial year was noted as 31 March
- d. The number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board was approved in line with POR
- f. Agreed the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM) as four members

Review of Previous Year

- a. The Lead Volunteer referred his report in the Annual Report and advised of upcoming important changes to the way the Scout Movement is being managed from next year. The Group sections have enjoyed a successful year, as has the Group overall.
- b. The Report and the Accounts were accepted and approved by the Meeting

Appointments

- a. The Group Chair, John Hill, was reappointed, there being no other nominations
- b. The Group Treasurer, Peter Mitchell, was reappointed, there being no other nominations
- c. The existing members of the Group Trustee Board were reappointed, there being no other nominations, although it was noted that Alan Reed was appointed as a Trustee during the current year
- d. The Scrutineer / Independent Examiner, Patrick Nolan, was reappointed

There being no other business, the Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the Meeting at 8.00pm

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	30 th Reigate Scout Group
Group charity registration number	1121934
Charity's principal address	Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street, Reigate RH2 9HU
Scout Association registration number	1199

Members of the Trustee Board

Mr John Hill	Chair
Mr James Clark	Lead Volunteer
Mr Peter Mitchell	Treasurer
Mrs Betty Geer	Secretary
Mr Alan Reed	
Mr Simon Cottle	
Mr Rob Gregory	
Mr Martin Boyce	

Additional Members of the Operations Group

Mrs Alison Bruce
Mrs Judith Clark

Section B Constitution and controls

The Constitution of the 30th Reigate Scout Group Council almost exclusively follows Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

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Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main activity of the charity during the year

Membership

Each section of Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers has continued successful activities, incorporating both indoor and outdoor programmes, as well as overnight sleepovers and camps.

Badgework is always an important opportunity to try new things and obtain some proficiency in new activities and our annual badge invoice shows how successful this has been. There have been celebrations of other cultures and to open our members eyes to things they would not necessarily have been a part of.

Our Scout Hall was used for some events in the Reigate Festival of Arts, with bell ringers and a ukulele band. The Hall will again be used in the 2025 festival, with extended variety of arts, music and crafts. We continue to be members of the Reigate Business Guild and contribute to its activities where we can.

Our waiting list for Beavers is still extensive, in common with other Scout Groups and many have to wait until Cub age or even Scout age, before they can join. We have not introduced Squirrels, which are the 4-6 year olds, as we do not have any volunteers to run this section. If anyone is interested to find out more about this, please contact any section leader.

Building

Since the developments and improvements that was reported in last year's Report and Accounts, there has not been any further projects. This decision is partly to take a breather and assess our current and future needs.

The trustees have intentions for further improvements and will consider these now that the Group is settling after the implementation of the major changes brought about by the Scout Association and the Charity Commission, in respect of management requirements and procedures.

Section E Financial Review

Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves

At 31 March 2025 we held cash and deposits of £317,341.83. The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the Group holds sufficient reserves to satisfy this policy.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Investment Policy

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The current account is reviewed regularly and if thought prudent, will transfer funds not required for near use to obtain maximum value and income from suitable cash deposits.

Section F Future Plans

Our plans for 2025/2026 are to continue to improve the headquarters as described above and to seek an increased leadership team to reduce the strain on the section leaders in managing their sections. Whether experienced or not, every bit of help is important and flexible, so any help is welcome and readers should contact a leader or email Jim Clark at gsl@30threigate.org.uk

Section G Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures

The original has been signed by

**Full name(s)
Position**

**John Michael Hill
Chair of Trustees**

**James Clark
Group Lead Volunteer**

Date **30 June 2025**

Current Team Leaders as at 31 March 2025

Jim Clark (Lead Volunteer)

Jonathan Gold (Scout Team Leader)

Trudi Wallace (Beaver Team Leader)

Jonathan Reeve (Scout Team Leader)

Judy Clark (Cub Team Leader)

Tom Elwood (Explorer Team Leader)

In addition, there are Team Volunteers, Young Leaders from the Explorer Unit, as well as Helpers who support the leadership team

Chairman of Trustees' Report 2024 – 2025

The year has been a time of consolidation following the disruption of Covid and changes to the Scout Association's Policy Organisation and Rules which sets out how Scouts is run.

We have needed to recruit new leaders after some of our long-standing leaders have stood down, albeit continuing to give much valued support; more detail is in the Group Lead Volunteer's report. We are very grateful both to those reducing their involvement and those who have stepped up to take their place.

The Group also welcomed some new trustees, but there is still a need to recruit more, in part to replace long serving trustees wishing to retire.

The number of young members has fallen a little compared to the previous year, in part a reflection of a need to reduce the pressure on our leaders.

The Group's finances remain sound. Again, there has been a surplus of income over expenditure, albeit less than in recent years. No major upgrades were made to Somers Hall, but it is still proposed that an upstairs room should be upgraded to improve its usefulness.

Running the Group is a major undertaking possible only through the hard work of the leaders, helpers, Trustees and Members of the Executive. We still need more volunteers for these roles. I thank all those who have contributed to the 30th for their support, without which we could not continue. Jim Clark works very hard as Group Lead Volunteer.

John Hill

Chairman of Trustees

Group Lead Volunteer's Report 2024 – 2025

The year has been one of significant changes, both structurally and the team.

The Scout Association has implemented changes that has required the management team and the Volunteer Leaders to spend considerable time understanding the new requirements. These covered revised learning programmes with the aim of updating safety and safeguarding protocols and management to ensure the wellbeing of our members. The Scout Association has also made some management changes, in line with the Charity Commission requirements and the Group trustees have been assimilating and implementing those changes.

During the year, the trustee board has increased the number of trustees and currently has a membership of eight. In addition, there are other operational volunteers with specific roles that look after safety aspects and the building management.

There have been some volunteer section leadership changes. In Beavers Wendy has retired from being the Beaver Leader after 8 years in that role. Wendy continues to help in both a District role and in the Group as needed. Trudi Wallace has taken up the reigns and wish her every success with it.

In the Scout section, Nick Clark has stood down as Scout Leader of both Wednesday and Friday Troops, after 22 years' service. Nick has achieved such great success in building up the troops and providing innovative programmes. Nick was given a great send off by the young members at the annual Awards and camp reunion evening, last November. Sarah, his wife, also stood down from mainstream activities after backing up Nick so ably during his tenure.

Both will still be around in different capacities, without the weekly pressures of running the troops. Replacing Nick on Wednesday is Jonathan Gold and on Friday, Jonathan Reeve, both seasoned Leaders, backed up by a super team. The programmes for both nights continue to be the same and both teams work together to deliver the activities.

Sue Wallace, the Deputy GLV, has also retired from mainstream activities and helping me, after some 22 years' service but again is around to assist where needed. I thank her for all that she has achieved.

The average life of a volunteer in Scouts, nationally, is six years but many of our total leadership team have far more years under their belt, such is our family environment.

It is vital that we retain and encourage more volunteers to help in a variety of ways, whether in sectional activities, management, including Chair and Treasurer, hall maintenance, equipment maintenance. You only give what time you can but more hands makes life easier.

If you would like to be part of the team, please contact me on gsl@30threigate.org.uk

Our thanks goes to all volunteers in the Group, who make things happen for our members, your children.

Jim Clark,

Group Lead Volunteer

Income & Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 March 2025

Income	24/25 £	23/24 £
Subscriptions	23,429.60	24,929.52
Fundraising	2,654.29	2,258.67
Camps & activities	43,292.47	52,760.57
Clothing	1,393.10	1,509.00
Hall & other donations	4,212.30	4,240.00
Interest	8,966.20	7,099.31
Gift aid tax reclaim	6116.40	6764.70
Training fees received	1,874.32	-
Miscellaneous	1,050.00	611.48
Total Income	92,988.68	100,173.25
Expenditure		
Scout Assoc. payment	10,229.00	10,215.00
Camps & activities	59,042.13	50,919.31
100 Club final payments	-	885.00
Jamboree	-	500.00
Equipment	3,545.67	1,977.61
Repairs, Maintenance and improvements	3,050.03	22,030.27
Utilities, Council tax & subscriptions	3,530.02	3,949.40
Telephone & Broadband	873.51	833.81
Insurances	1,358.52	1,439.73
Uniform, badges, clothing	1,300.21	2,885.57
Training	30.00	40.00
Bank charges, OSM fees etc.	348.50	329.50
Miscellaneous	1,686.74	-
Total Expenditure	84,994.33	96,005.20
 Regular income less expenses	 7,994.35	 4,168.05
Income less expenses		
Allocation from / to reserves		
To building reserve	7,994.35	4,168.05
To general reserve	nil	nil
	7,994.35	4,168.05

Allocation to reserves –100% is allocated to building reserves for refurbishments

Notes

Subs paid – similar amount paid as last year but the rate has gone up and member numbers down. It is expected that member numbers will rise again over the next few years.

Equipment – mainly purchase of climbing equipment

Repairs and Maintenance and Improvements – No major refurbishment during the year. Further improvements are envisaged during 2025/2026

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2025

		31 March 2025	31 March 2024
		£	£
Bank Balances	CAF Current	74,015.21	74,807.26
	CAF Deposit	63,172.16	61,696.25
	Skipton BS	90,869.53	87,813.50
	Cambridge & County	89,284.93	86,324.08
		317,341.83	310,641.09
Camp fees paid/ received in advance		-39,518.92	-36,630.48
Capitation fee paid in advance		10,229.00	10,215.00
Total Reserves		288,051.91	284,225.61
Analysis of Reserves			
	General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
	£	£	£
31 March 2024	101,750.08	178,307.48	280,057.56
Allocate from income & expenditure	nil	7,994.35	7,994.35
31 March 2025	101,750.08	186,301.83	288,051.91

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

30th Reigate Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 8 and 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented 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
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patrick Nolan ACIB

Independent Examiner

Date 2 June 2025

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30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

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30th Reigate Scout Group
30th Reigate Scout Group Scout Council
Annual General Meeting

Monday 23 September 2024 at 7.30pm

At Somers Hall

Agenda

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 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21 September 2023
 - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
 - c. Note the Group's financial year
 - d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council
 - e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board
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4. **Review of the previous year**
 - a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the 30th Reigate Scout Group
 - b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
5. **Making appointments**
 - a. Appoint the Group Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board
 - b. Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board
 - c. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board
 - d. Appoint the Scrutineer / Independent Examiner
6. **Closing remarks**

Trustee Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Of 30th Reigate Scout Group Held at Somers Hall at 8pm on 21 September 2023.

Apologies – Alison Bruce, Peter Mitchell, Judy Clark, Martin Boyce, Carmel Briody, Adrian Jackson, Chris Davis

Attendance – John Hill, Betty Geer, Jim Clark, Sue Wallace, Alan Reed, Jonathan Gold, Dan Phillips, George Chandler

The Chair, John Hill welcomed everyone to the Meeting

Minutes of the Last Meeting - The minutes of the last meeting were accepted without amendment.

Charity Report - The Chair highlighted that there had been a change in Scout Association rules in the way the management of the charity is run. In particular, the Scout Group was required to have its own constitution. The Scout Association model had been used and slightly adapted to our Group model of management. There was also a requirement to change the model of Executive Committee responsible for Group matters to a Board of Trustees. As before, it is proposed to have a limited number of members acting as trustee, the remaining members being part of the overall management group. The practical effect on the management of the Group is small. The new constitution was put to the vote and accepted.

Charity Year End – The charity year end was confirmed as 31 March each year

Accounts – John Hill presented the Treasurer's report in the absence of our Treasurer, Peter Mitchell. There is a surplus of income, which will be added to the Building Maintenance Reserve Fund and will be used for the ongoing improvement of the building and facilities of Somers Hall, which is currently underway. The meeting accepted the accounts proposed by George Chandler and seconded by Jonathan Gold.

Quorums – it was agreed any quorum for any committee or meeting would be two people, one of whom must be the Chair or GSL. Proposed by Sue Wallace and seconded by Betty Geer. Acceptance of the Trustee's charity report was proposed by Jonathan Gold and seconded by Sue Wallace.

Appointment of Group Chairperson – Jim Clark, GSL, stated that in the absence of any other nominations, John Hill was gratefully re-elected and thanked him for the many years guiding the Group.

Appointment of Trustee Board – The members of the Trustee Board, as listed in the Report, have agreed to continue in that role for another year. The Chair advised that in the absence of any other nominations, the following had agreed to continue in the roles of Treasurer and Secretary

- **Election of Group Treasurer** – Peter Mitchell was elected
- **Election of Group Secretary** - Betty Geer was elected

Election of Independent Examiner for financial records - Patrick Nolan has agreed to continue to undertake this role

All nominations accepted by proposer Alan Reed and seconded by Dan Phillips.

John Hill advised that Carmel Briody was stepping down from the management team with effect from this AGM and he thanked her for her involvement over the last few years. Sue Wallace was appointed a Trustee as Deputy GSL.

Any Other Business –

The 100 Club, which had been run as a Group lottery to raise funds for over 30 years, was closed on 31 March, with falling numbers of subscribers. John Hill thanked Michael Knight for managing this Club over all those years.

The Chairman gave thanks to everybody for continuing to work for the Group's success.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024

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Management

Members of the Trustee Board

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Mr James Clark	Lead Volunteer
Mrs Susan Wallace	Leadership Team Member
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Mrs Betty Geer	Secretary

Members of the Operations Group

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Mr Martin Boyce	Building adviser
Mr Alan Reed	Scout Team Member and building
Mrs Alison Bruce	Scout Team Member and general

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Membership

Each section of Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers have fully returned to their imaginative programmes after the difficult covid period. As reported last year, there were some behavioural and other difficulties resulting from the long period that the sections could not meet but these continue to be managed.

The Group remains popular and thanks to the efforts of the Leaders, has a long waiting list to join, particularly of a Beaver age. Although Squirrels were introduced by the Scout Association (4-6 year olds), the Group has not introduced this section, even though there are many of that age on the waiting list, as the Group does not have sufficient leadership to manage this. Indeed, the Group has purposely reduced numbers in the scout section, as there has been some loss of regular leadership. This has been managed by a large extent by not taking more from the waiting list, which also affects the Cub and Beaver sections. Nonetheless, the number of scouts in 30th Reigate is greater than the other groups in Reigate District, currently, split between two troops.

The Group needs more leadership volunteers who can give some of their time. This includes those who can provide section organisation skills or general help at section evenings. The more we have the more that can be spread around, remembering, any help is good help.

You will note from this that the term leadership volunteer is used, which reflects the changes that are being made by the Scout Association to simplify terminology and make the process of adults joining more welcoming and easier to understand.

Whilst the Group is making efforts to recruit more volunteers; if this is not successful the Group will need to provide alternative solutions to manage the ongoing position.

To aid anyone thinking of helping in some way, the age groups are:

Beavers 6-8

Cubs 8-10.5

Scouts 10.5-14

Explorers 14-18

Building

In the last report the Trustees were considering improvements to Somers Hall. The upstairs kitchen was gutted and refurbished. Although there are now no cooking facilities, new sinks were installed and a new hard wearing floor laid, new lighting, as well as general redecoration. The room now looks much brighter and is a useful additional usable space.

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Full name(s)
Position

John Michael Hill
Chair of Trustees

James Clark
Group Lead Volunteer

Date 30 June 2024

Current Team Leaders as at 31 March 2023

Jim Clark (Lead Volunteer)

Judy Clark (Cub Team Leader)

Sue Wallace (Leadership Team Member)

Nick Clark (Scout Team Leader)

Wendy Gregory (Beaver Team Leader)

Tom Elwood (Explorer Team Leader)

In addition, there are Team Volunteers, Young Leaders from the Explorer Unit, as well as Occasional Helpers who support the leadership team

Chairman of Trustees' Report 2023 – 2024

From the viewpoint of face-to-face scouting and meetings for our young people, 2023-24 was again one of relative stability.

Financially, the year showed again that the Group's finances are sound. There was a substantial surplus of normal income over expenditure. Much of this was used to upgrade what was the kitchen to be more generally available for activities, whilst leaving a modest surplus to add to our reserves. It is proposed that another upstairs room, currently able to be divided into two, should be upgraded. The existing divider is no longer fit for purpose, but whether it should be replaced, and if so by what, is still under debate.

Somers Hall does not belong to the 30th. It is held by trustees under a trust created in 1927 for the benefit of the youth of Reigate. The current arrangement whereby the 30th use the building and keep it in good repair is of benefit to the 30th and enables the Trustees of Somers Hall to fulfil the objectives of the Trust.

In April 2023 a new version of the Scout Association's 'Policy Organisation and Rules' (POR) was published. The differences from the previous version are largely to do with organisational and procedural matters rather than the practical aspects of scouting. However, the changes have had some influence on how we are organised and on the content of this Annual Report.

The work needed to run a scout group is substantial and we rely on the hard work of the leaders, helpers, Trustees and Members of the Executive. We need more volunteers for these roles. Jim Clark, as Group Scout Leader has a particularly onerous job. I thank all those who have contributed to the 30th for their support, without which we could not continue.

John Hill
Chairman of Trustees

Group Lead Volunteer's Report 2023 – 2024

In the last report the Trustees were considering improvements to Somers Hall. The upstairs kitchen was gutted and refurbished. Although there are now no cooking facilities, new sinks were installed and a new hard wearing floor laid, new lighting, as well as general redecoration. The room now looks much brighter and is a useful additional usable space.

In the downstairs small hall, the sink and cupboard units were removed and replaced with a new freezer and food storage shelving. This will provide benefits to camp preparations.

Further work is planned for other rooms to bring up to standard and this hoped to be completed during the current year.

Each Section has provided their usual quality in the programme. The success and reputation, evidenced by the young membership retention and the long waiting list to join us is only made possible by the sterling work that our Volunteer Leaders and Young Leaders put in, week after week. I make no apology for reiterating the request for more volunteer help. I know anyone thinking of helping will enjoy it and see the benefits for our young members, first hand and working with a great team. Come and join the team

Again, this year, I want to thank the leadership team, the trustees led by our Chair, John Hill and those who make up the operational side of the management team.

Jim Clark,
Group Lead Volunteer

30th Reigate Scout Group

Income & Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 March 2024

Income	23/24	22/23
	£	£
Subscriptions	24,929.52	27,181.81
Fundraising	2,258.67	4,666.61
Camps & activities	52,760.57	48,285.21
Clothing	1,509.00	1,269.90
Hall & other donations	4,240.00	3,948.79
Interest	7,099.31	2,477.45
Gift aid tax reclaim	6,764.70	7,797.52
Transfer from 100 Club	-	1,610.92
Miscellaneous	611.48	699.50
Total Income	100,173.25	97,937.71
Expenditure		
Scout Assoc. payment	10,215.00	10,215.00
Camps & activities	50,919.31	49,992.42
100 Club final payments	885.00	-
Jamboree	500.00	1,500.00
Equipment	1,977.61	5,687.18
Repairs, Maintenance and improvements	22,030.27	1,914.57
Utilities, Council tax & subscriptions	3,949.40	2,776.07
Telephone & Broadband	833.81	2,043.33
Insurances	1,439.73	1,141.86
Uniform, badges, clothing	2,885.57	3,251.96
Training	40.00	-
Bank charges, OSM fees etc.	329.50	347.50
		148.25
Total Expenditure	96,005.20	79,018.14
 Regular income less expenses	 4,168.05	 18,919.57
Income less expenses		
Allocation from / to reserves		
To building reserve	4,168.05	18,919.57
To general reserve	nil	nil
	4,168.05	18,919.57

Allocation to reserves –100% is allocated to building reserves for a refurbishments

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2024

		31 March 2024	31 March 2023
		£	£
Bank Balances	CAF Current	74,807.26	74,807.26
	CAF Deposit	61,696.25	60,372.17
	Skipton BS	87,813.50	85,000.00
	Cambridge & County	86,324.08	85,000.00
		310,641.09	305,179.43
Camp fees paid/ received in advance		-36,630.48	-35,336.87
Capitation fee paid in advance		10,215.00	10,215.00
Total Reserves		284,225.61	280,057.56

Analysis of Reserves

	General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
	£	£	£
31 March 2023	101,750.08	178,307.48	280,057.56
Allocate from income & expenditure	nil	4,168.05	4,168.05
31 March 2023	101,750.08	182,475.53	284,225.61

Notes to the Accounts

The main changes from an income perspective are that there is a small reduction in subscriptions reflecting a planned reduction of young people during the period. Fundraising opportunities have decreased, mainly for the Group as a consequence of changes in conditions after covid. Interest has increased as interest rates have risen. The gift aid tax repayments reduction is a consequence of reducing subscriptions.

Expenditure is about flat overall, with the exception of refurbishment of the kitchen area, totalling c £19k but the Group has still managed a surplus of just over £4k to add to the building reserve

Further refurbishment is planned to improve the property.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
30th Reigate Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are set out on pages 8 and 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented 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
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patrick Nolan ACIB

Independent Examiner

Date 4 June 2024

30TH REIGATE SCOUT GROUP

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30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

Annual Report & Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2023



30th Reigate Scout Group

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 21 September 2023 at 8.00pm

At Somers Hall

Agenda

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To agree Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting
- 3 To adopt or readopt the constitution of The Group
- 4 To confirm the dates of the charity's year
- 5 To agree the number of Trustees that can be elected to the Board
- 6 To agree the quorum for each of the Group Scout Council, Trustee Board and any Sub committees
- 7 To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2023
- 8 To receive and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2023
- 9 To appoint the Group Chairman (Group Scout Leader's nomination)
- 10 To appoint the members of the Trustee Board (Group Scout Leader's nominations)
- 11 To appoint the following positions:
 - To elect the Group Secretary
 - To elect the Group Treasurer
 - To appoint the Independent Examiner
- 12 Any Other business

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held at Somers Hall on 15 September 2022.

Apologies – Alison Bruce, Julian Baker, Peter Mitchell, Betty Geer, Margaret Tilford (ADC Cubs), Judy Clark

Attendance – John Hill, Jim Clark, Alan Reed, Martin Boyce, Carmel Briody, Sue Wallace, Michael Knight

The Chair, John Hill welcomed everyone to the first face to face AGM after Covid.

Minutes of the Last Meeting - The minutes of the last meeting were accepted without amendment.

Sectional Reports - All reports were distributed before the meeting. The GSL highlighted that there had been improvement to getting back to meeting face to face although summer camps were restricted. It is hopeful that things will return to normal by the next report. Everybody has again worked very hard to keep programmes going and I give thanks to all for achieving this.

Accounts – John Hill presented the Treasurer's report in the absence of our Treasurer, Peter Mitchell. Again, a surplus of income, although less than previous year, which received government support and gift aid. The Group has maintained a healthy financial position.

The meeting accepted the accounts proposed by Alan Reed and seconded by Martin Boyce.

Nomination of Chairperson – Jim Clark, GSL, stated that in the absence of any other nominations, John Hill was gratefully re-elected.

Executive Committee

The Chair advised that in the absence of any other nominations, all roles on the Executive were being re-elected, with exception of Julian Baker, who is stepping down. The Chairman thanked him for his work on the Executive.

- **Election of Group Treasurer** – Peter Mitchell was elected
- **Election of Group Secretary** - Betty Geer was re-elected
- **Nomination of Group Council** - All on council to continue

All nominations accepted by proposer Michael Knight and seconded by Sue Wallace

Election of Scrutineer - Patrick Nolan has agreed to continue to undertake this role

Any Other Business –

Presentation of 10 year service award to John Hill and 30 year service award to Martin Boyce. Both awards were dated 2017.

Michael Knight drew the winners of the Group's 100 club monthly draw.

The Chairman gave thanks to everybody for continuing to work successfully for the Group's success.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	30 th Reigate Scout Group
Group charity registration number	1121934
Charity's principal address	Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street, Reigate RH2 9HU
Scout Association registration number	1199

Management

Members of the Trustee Board

Name	Office
Mr John Hill	Chair
Mr James Clark	Group Scout Leader
Mrs Susan Wallace	Deputy Group Scout Leader
Mr Peter Mitchell	Treasurer
Mrs Betty Geer	Secretary
Mrs Susan Wallace appointed Trustee at AGM 21 September 2023	

Members of the Executive

Mrs Judith Clark	Cub Scout Leader
Mr Martin Boyce	Building adviser
Mr Alan Reed	Asst. Scout Leader and building
Mrs Alison Bruce	Asst Scout Leader and general
Mrs Carmel Brody (retiring at this AGM)	

Section B Constitution and controls

The Constitution of the 30th Reigate Scout Group has been sent to members of the Scout Council and almost exclusively follows Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Controls

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include two signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure the insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity is set out in its governing document

The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The purpose of Scouting is to contribute to 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

Summary of the main activities

The leaders in each section provide programmes for our young people of learning, fun activities and teamwork leading to confident, sociable and useful members of society.

The Scout Group also fundraises with various activities and receives income from scout hall lettings. From time to time the Scout Group may engage in grant funding applications for specific purposes. In addition, the Scout Group may make grants in respect of individual young members for support purposes.

-Public Benefit

Subscriptions are charged for membership to cover immediate running costs of the Group and these do not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the principle that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions.

Two key principles demonstrate that Scouting's aims are for the public benefit and that through the Scout method, young people develop towards their full potential and that there is a clear link between the benefits for young people and the purpose of Scouting. The safety of young people is taken very seriously and the benefits Scouting activities provide far outweigh the risks. Any private benefits from Scouting are incidental, other than to those as a beneficiary.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Each of the sections has been returning to normal, after the covid period of restrictions. However, whilst our scouting has continued via zoom or restricted meetings and activities, there has been an effect on many of our young people, who have missed out on social meetings and lack of experience and continuity of operations. This has manifested with some behavioural issues and lack of guidance from the more experienced members in each section, of how anything works or expectations. This will take time to recover the flow that has been achieved over the years.

Nonetheless, the camps and outdoor activities have been successful and provides opportunities to gain and use skills relevant to each section.

We continue to look for new adult leaders, which with our numbers are so important. Any decline will have an impact on what can be provided and indeed how many young people can join.

Plans for improvements of the building facility are being developed for the Hall Trustee Board's consideration, which includes better space, improved storage facilities and general modernisation and decoration. In addition, consideration will be given to whether a further building extension is desirable.

Leader Awards:

20 year service	Sue Wallace	15 year service	Jeremy Brittain
15 year service	John Hill	15 year service	Keith Baxter
10 year service	Tom Elwood		
BAR to Award of Merit	Nick Clark		
Award of Merit	Toby Wallace		
Award of Merit	Wendy Gregory		
Chief Scout Commendation	Jane Wardle		
Chief Scout Commendation	Adrian Tighe		
Chief Scout Personal Award	Calum Jordan (Explorer Scout)		

Section E Financial Review

Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves

At 31 March 2023 we held cash and deposits of £305,179.43. The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the Group holds sufficient reserves to satisfy this policy.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Investment Policy

The Group's policy is not to invest in longer term investments in stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or other deposits.

The current account is reviewed regularly and if thought prudent, will transfer funds not required for near use to obtain maximum value and income from suitable cash deposits.

Section F Future Plans

Our plans for 2023/2024 are to continue to improve the headquarters as described above and to seek an increased leadership team to reduce the strain on the section leaders in managing their sections. Whether experienced or not, every bit of help is important and flexible, so any help is welcome and readers should contact a leader or email Jim Clark at gsl@30threigate.org.uk

Section G Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures

The original has been signed by

**Full name(s)
Position**

**John Michael Hill
Chair**

**James Clark
Group Scout Leader**

Date **14 June 2023**

Current Team Leaders as at 31 March 2023

Jim Clark (Group Scout Leader)

Judy Clark (Cub Leader)

Sue Wallace (Deputy Group Scout Leader)

Nick Clark (Scout Leader)

Wendy Gregory (Beaver Leader)

Tom Elwood (Explorer Scout Leader)

In addition, there are Assistants, Young Leaders from the Explorer Section, as well as Occasional Helpers who support the leadership team

Chairman's Report 2022 – 2023

The year 2022-23 was one of relative stability, with face-to-face scouting and meetings; a welcome return to scouting as it should be following the pandemic.

From a financial point of view the year showed once more that the Group's finances are sound with a substantial surplus to increase our reserves. It is still the ambition to further extend the usable space in Somers Hall by building over the small hall and making the kitchen a more adaptable space. However, there are several smaller, but important, projects to improve the usability of the existing space. It has been agreed that these should be tackled before readdressing the project to extend the building further.

It should be noted that Somers Hall does not belong to the 30th. Rather it is held by trustees under a trust created in 1927 for the benefit of the youth of Reigate. The current arrangement whereby the 30th occupy the building and keep it in good repair is of great benefit to the 30th and enables the Trustees of Somers Hall to fulfil the objectives of the Somers Hall Trust.

In April a new version of the Scout Association's 'Policy Organisation and Rules' (POR) was published. The differences from the previous version are largely to do with organisational and procedural matters and have little effect on the practical aspects of scouting. However, since the constitution of the 30th is that laid down in POR, the changes are material to us and have had a significant influence on the content of this Annual Report.

The amount of work needed to run any scout group is substantial and we rely on the hard work of the leaders, helpers, Trustees and Members of the Executive to keep the Group operating effectively. We need a constant supply of volunteers for these roles. Jim Clark, as Group Scout Leader has a particularly onerous job. We are lucky that Sue Wallace has agreed to become Deputy Group Scout Leader. I thank all those who have contributed to the 30th for their support, without which we could not continue.

**John Hill
Chairman**

Group Scout Leader's Report 2022 – 2023

This year, we have been able to get back to normality, although that has been a difficult path with young people missing two years of 'normality'. Having said that, sections have returned to activities, both inside and outside and doing what they do best.

My concern for 2023/24 is maintaining and increasing the leadership team. There are current strains for section leaders to keep the programmes alive and we do need more adults to provide cover with whatever time is available but if not achieved, this will affect quality and the number of young people we can maintain in each section.

I would like to give another year of thanks for the leadership team, trustees and Executive for the work they do and successes they have achieved.

Jim Clark

Group Scout Leader

30th Reigate Scout Group

Income & Expenditure Account

Year ended 31 March 2023

Income	22/23	21/22
	£	£
Subscriptions	27,181.81	30,495.94
Fundraising	4,666.61	3,188.70
Camps & activities	48,285.21	41,136.92
Clothing	1,269.90	2,383.30
Hall & other donations	3,948.79	385.06
100 Club	-	400.00
Interest	2477.45	663.09
Govt. covid grants	-	8,000.00
Gift aid tax reclaim	7,797.52	6,240.60
Transfer from 100 Club	1,610.92	-
Miscellaneous	699.50	100.00
Total Income	97,937.71	92,966.61
Expenditure		
Scout Assoc. payment	10,215.00	11,374.75
Camps & activities	49,992.42	37,525.27
Jamboree	1,500.00	-
Equipment	5,687.18	948.47
Repairs & Maintenance	1,914.57	248.83
Utilities, Council tax & subscriptions	2,776.07	1,942.19
Telephone & Broadband	2,043.33	946.70
Insurances	1,141.86	1,078.57
Uniform, badges, clothing	3,251.96	4,560.25
Training	-	260.00
Bank charges, OSM fees etc.	347.50	531.50
Miscellaneous	148.25	
Total Expenditure	79,018.14	59,416.53
Regular income less expenses	18,919.57	33,550.08
Income less expenses		
Allocation from / to reserves		
To building reserve	18,919.57	33,550.08
To general reserve	nil	nil
	18,919.57	33,550.08

Allocation to reserves – 100% is allocated to building reserves for a proposed refurbishment

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2023

		31 March 2023	31 March 2022
		£	£
Bank Balances	CAF Current	74,807.26	95,887.69
	CAF Deposit	60,372.17	59,960.72
	Hampshire Trusts	nil	131,779.50
	Skipton BS	85,000.00	nil
	Cambridge & County	85,000.00	nil
		305,179.43	287,627.91
Camp fees paid/ received in advance		-35,336.87	-38,264.67
Capitation fee paid in advance		10,215.00	11,374.75
Due from 100 Club		nil	400.00
Total Reserves		280,057.56	261,137.99

Analysis of Reserves

	General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
	£	£	£
31 March 2022	101,750.08	159,387.91	261,137.99
Allocate from income & expenditure	nil	18,919.57	18,919.57
31 March 2023	101,750.08	178,307.48	280,057.56

Notes to the Accounts

The main changes from an income perspective are that there is a small reduction in subscriptions reflecting a few losses of young people during the period, which coming out of covid, is expected. Fundraising through hall hire has increased now that we are able hire out the hall for a regular booking. Interest has increased as interest rates have risen. The 100 Club is in the process of being wound up and surplus funds transferred to the main account. Government covid grants have now ceased, so further payments have not been received.

Expenditure has increased now that normal activities are returning. We supported the jamboree, taking place in South Korea in the summer, with a donation and some camping equipment has been replaced. There were some repairs in the Hall to pay for and in general all utilities and insurance costs have risen.

In spite of current financial conditions, we have still managed a surplus of £18,919.57, which is being added to the Building Reserve for future improvements in the Hall.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 30th Reigate Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 11 and 12.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts.
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented 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
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patrick Nolan ACIB

Independent Examiner

Date 4 June 2023

30TH REIGATE SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1121934

Accounts



30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

Annual Report & Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2022



30th Reigate Scout Group

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 15 September 2022 at 7.30pm

At Somers Hall

Agenda

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To agree Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting
- 3 To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2022
- 4 To receive and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2022
- 5 To appoint the Group Chairman (Group Scout Leader's nomination)
- 6 Elections and appointments
 - To elect the Group Secretary
 - To elect the Group Treasurer
 - To elect members to the Group Executive Committee (Group Scout Leader's nominations)
 - To co-opt members to the Group Executive Committee
 - To appoint the Independent Scrutineer
- 7 Presentations
- 8 Any Other business

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	30 th Reigate Scout Group
Group registration number	1121934
Charity's principal address	Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street, Reigate RH2 9HU

Name of the members of the Group Executive Committee

	Name	Office (if any)
Ex -Officio	Mr John Hill (Trustee)	Chair
	Mr James Clark (Trustee)	Group Scout Leader
	Mr Peter Mitchell (Trustee)	Treasurer
	Mrs Betty Geer (Trustee)	Secretary
	Mrs Judith Clark	Cub Scout Leader
Elected Members	Mr Julian Baker	Parent
	Mrs Carmel Briody	Parent
Nominated Members	Mr Martin Boyce	Ex Leader and building adviser
Co-opted Members	Mr Alan Reed	Asst. Scout Leader and building
	Mrs Alison Bruce	Asst Scout Leader and general

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of Governance

Type of governing document	The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Group Executive selection methods	The appointments are made in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Additional Governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee and the Group is separately registered with Charity Commission as an educational charity. Four members of the Group are 'Charity Trustees' for this purpose.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the Group's property and equipment
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group's finances
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting with the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support

Risk and Internal Control

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure the insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The purpose of Scouting is to contribute to 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these 3 objectives	Refer to the reports by the section Leaders.
Public Benefit	Subscriptions are charged for membership to cover immediate running costs of the Group and these do not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the principle that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions. Two key principles demonstrate that Scouting's aims are for the public benefit and that through the Scout method young people develop towards their full potential and that there is a clear link between the benefits for young people and the purpose of Scouting. The safety of young people is taken very seriously and the benefits Scouting activities provide far outweigh the risks. Any private benefits from Scouting are incidental, other than to those as a beneficiary.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Refer to the reports by the section Leaders.
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Section E Financial Review

Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves	We hold cash and deposits of £287,627.91. The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group holds sufficient reserves to satisfy this policy.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

Section E Investment Policy

The Group's policy does not have sufficient spare funds to invest longer term investments in stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or other deposits.

The current account is reviewed regularly to transfer funds not required for near use to obtain maximum value and income from its banking arrangements

Section G Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures	The original has been signed by	
Full name(s)	John Michael Hill	James Clark
Position	Chair	Group Scout Leader
Date	2 September 2022	

Current Leadership as at 31 March 2022

Jim Clark (Group Scout Leader)
Penny Bull (Asst. Group Scout Leader)

Beavers

- Wendy Gregory (Beaver Scout Leader)
- Jo Stilwell (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Alex Wright (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Rob Gregory (Section Asst.)
- Maddie Halsey (Sect Asst.)

Cubs

- Judy Clark (Cub Leader)
- Jonathan Lidbury (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Victoria Darnton-Summers (Asst. Leader)
- Adrian Tighe (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Toby Wallace (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Jane Wardle (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Alison Swain (Section Asst.)
- Neil Emmerson (Section Asst.)

Scouts

- Nick Clark (Scout Section Leader)
- Keith Baxter (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alison Bruce (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sarah Clark (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Trevor Ford (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Katharine Hills (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Chris Littlefair (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alan Reed (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Jonathan Reeve (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Dan Phillips (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sue Wallace (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Gala Evans (Section Asst.)
- Jonathan Gold (Section Asst.)
- Grace Quantick (Section Asst.)

Explorers

- Tom Elwood (Acting Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Brittain (Asst Explorer Scout Leader)
- Mark Colacchio (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Archie Evans (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Parsons (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Tim Holmes (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Trudi Wallace (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)

In addition, there are many Young Leaders from the Explorer Section, as well as Occasional Helpers who support the leadership team

Chairman's Report 2021 – 2022

The year 2021-22 was one of transition from online activities and meetings back to face-to-face scouting, a welcome resumption of scouting as it should be. Thanks are due to everyone who worked hard to adapt to the changes that Covid forced upon us and then to get back to face-to-face scouting. 'Everyone' includes our leaders, our young people, their parents the Group Executive and in particular our Group Scout Leader, Jim Clark. I encourage you to read the various reports below.

From a financial point of view the year showed once more that the Group's finances are sound with a substantial surplus to increase reserves. It is still the ambition to further extend the usable space in Somers Hall by building over the small hall and making the kitchen a more adaptable space. Progress on this project has been delayed by the pandemic, and it may be next year before plans are agreed.

We must all hope that there will be a period of calm ahead in which we can enjoy a normal programme of activities including camps.

John Hill

Chairman

Group Scout Leader Report 2021 – 2022

My message in this report is short and to the point.

Well, we have come through a terrible period, in which many of our young people have not been able to be outside together, camping and learning new skills and traditions. This is a void which needs to be rebuilt and all leaders are wasting no time to catch up.

It has been an epic task to keep sections going, with innovative ways to keep everyone together and leaders, young leaders and parent helpers, all volunteers, have worked tirelessly to keep your young people active, both physically and mentally. Parents tell us how wonderful we are and hope all parents appreciate what has been achieved, particularly over the last couple of years, but we continue to need your support.

You will read in the reports, and please read them, what has been achieved and asking for more help within the leadership team. We cannot grow or provide first class activities without further help, so please consider joining the fun, with enormous satisfaction at what you can achieve.

Jim Clark

Group Scout Leader

Beaver Colony Report 2021-2022

We have had a great year in Beavers!

After a staggered start in September for a few weeks we were back meeting weekly and all together – yippee.

We started the term relooking at our code of conduct and having lots of safe fun outside, Autumn walks and earning our Sports badge.

We currently have 29 Beavers on our register but over the year we have fluctuated between 30 and 28. We have a mixture of girls and boys.

We started the year with 4 adult Leaders: Jo Stillwell (Squirrel) , Rob (Mr Otter, Alex (Bear)and myself . Sadly, Squirrel has left us for a while, as her family needs her and Alex (Bear) has moved area. For the good news, Maddie (Foxy) has completed some training and is brilliant with the young Beavers. My amazing parents have also been very supportive.

We have some great young leaders too Oscar Bloomfield, Evie Stockton, Orla Chavasse, Sara Littlefair, Remy Brooks, Luke Arnell and Anna Mitchell. A special thanks must go to Oscar, who is leaving to go to university. He has been brilliant as a leader and we will miss him – he has literally done anything that I have asked him for 4 years with enthusiasm and genuine kindness for all the young Beavers, we wish him the best of times and visit us when you are home please.

The Autumn term started with a Hike around Priory Park and was great fun. We built dens and played wide games in the Priory. We played our key game on the castle grounds and looked at the trees and how they change through the seasons. Lots of safe fun.

The Spring term started with great enthusiasm, we enjoyed an evening of New Year, New me! We completed our Healthy Eating badge, First Aid, International Badge, Science and Faith Badge all in the first half term, catching up on all the badges we have missed. We also celebrated the Winter Olympics and our amazing Mum's. We enjoyed an evening of Mum's and other Superheroes.

The Summer term started with a celebration of St George's and we met with all the District at the Airplane Museum at Gatwick. It was fantastic.

There was a great turn out from almost all the colonies, and it was brilliant. They followed an Eye Spy quiz around the museum, played lots of wide games on the huge grass area and then marched and renewed our promise in front of a plane – all great fun and very memorable.

The summer term flew by we earnt lots of badges, explore badge, safety and disability badge. We also had an amazing evening at Reigate College with the wonderful Chris Schultz, who set up an evening of Paddle Sports level 1, on dry land! It was a triumph and the young Beavers loved it. We also said goodbye and 'swum up' our oldest Beavers to cubs on the kayak – a ceremony which will be hard to beat – Thank you again Chris.

The year has ended and I am so pleased that we are back face to face and having lots of fun.

Wendy Gregory

Beaver Scout Leader

Cub Pack Report 2021-2022

Nearly Normal! We have had our meetings mostly outside met as much outside with, hand cleansing and trying to maintain social distancing!

Summer Term 21

The term started with St Georges Day with the Pack renewing their Cub Promise, in uniform, on Reigate Heath and finally welcoming Edward Butterfield, Gil Emberson, Rory Grantham, Rory De Mallet- Morgan, Freddie Stockton and Luke Wilson, who couldn't move up earlier from Beavers.

Also, other new Cubs joined: Jack Bandari, Sebby Catling, Teddy Doyle, Monty Manthorpe, Emma Shoosmith and Miles Tiramani, so numbers still large at 46.

The Athlete, Athlete plus, Road Safety and Navigator Badges were achieved on the Heath in small school year groups.

Several weeks were spent Fire lighting, Shelter Building, Hiking and Tracking, which were all enjoyed as we were back to together again, even at a distance. Only two weeks of the term were disrupted, one by a whole group having to self-isolate and the other due to torrential rain!

Camp Activity Day

By July 3rd the strict camping regulations had not yet been lifted and so we held a Camp Activity day with all our usual activities but with no overnight camping or camp fire singing!

33 Cubs enjoyed climbing, shooting, archery, tent pitching, fire-lighting and ballista making. At the end of the day they had a fish and chip supper and toasted marshmallows on the camp fire.

We said goodbye to all the Cubs going up to Scouts and those who amazingly, still gained their Chief Scout Silver Award, had their badges presented to them at the end of the day or at the Group presentation evening, later in November.

Congratulations to: Samuel Anderson, Esther Booker, Sophie-Boys-Guest, Myrus Brooks, Edward Hessey, Kitty Jordan, Billy O'Dowd, Eliza Parsons, Charlie Prior, Evie Purdy, Tommy Rivers, Leila Savidge, Jonty Smallwood, Edward Taylor, Abigail Twigg, Daniel Wright and Harry Warren.

Autumn Term

Unfortunately, we had to say goodbye to two leaders this term who have been sorely missed. Firstly, to Vicky (Shetland) who moved to Milton Keynes and Neil (Shere Khan) due to work issues.

We therefore had to restrict our numbers to 36 and the new Cubs joining us this term were: Ethan Anderson, Louis Broscombe, Jude Burton, Henry Davies, Caitlin Dilks-Hopper, Felicity Dilks-Hopper, Isabelle Dorlandt, Alfie Fletcher, Elliot Knapman and Mabel O'Dowd.

We had a Challenge evening and then completed the Artist, Entertainer Activity, Home Help and Scientist badges over two weeks. A highlight of the term was a visit by 20 of the Cubs to the Town Hall to visit the mayor. They were shown around the Town Hall and after squash and biscuits were allowed to try on the mayor's robes, see the Mace and also to have a question and answer session with her. Our thanks go to Mayor, Cllr Jill Bray for the allowing us to visit and being so enthusiastic with the Cubs.

It was also great to get back to doing Christmas Craft and fitness evenings at the hall, something especially previously missed

Spring Term 22

We welcomed Eli Bloch, Rosie Prior, Zachary Saunders and Leo Warren up from Beavers and were glad to be back inside with slightly less restrictions. We had a busy term, with Chinese New Year, Lego Masters, Emergency Aid, Personal Safety and a Pirate evening to name but a few. Some of the older ones also did the Chef's badge to practice for a District Cub Cooking Competition. Our team of Cooper Byrne, Aimee Schepen and Emma Shoosmith came joint second, but more importantly after the judging they ate every bit of their meal of Chicken, Sweet potato and coconut curry with Chocolate Mousse to follow.

We finished off a busy term with Mother's Day craft and Community service of Litter picking in Priory Park and the Castle Grounds. Thank you to all the parents who helped, especially with the badge evenings and filling in when we were short of adults. Much appreciated and I hope you will return in the future.

I wish to thank the leadership team of Adrian (Kaa), Jane (Bagheera) Toby (Hathi), Jonathan (Baloo), Alison (Chil), for their total commitment throughout this time. I would also like to thank Harvey, Wizzie and all our Young Leaders George, Georgia, Harry, Maddy and Rachel for all their continued support.

My personal thanks go to them all.

Judy (Akela)

Scout Troops' Report 2021-2022

As the pandemic continued to rear its head during the summer, the Troop met largely outdoors. The Scouts completed hikes, wide games, challenges and Activity Badges. The Troop also utilised Zoom to complete more hands-on activities such as cooking, which could be supervised directly by parents.

The latter part of the term focused on Scouting skills including knotting, pioneering and tent pitching in preparation for Summer Camp. Unfortunately, the summer wave of Covid-19 caused the restrictions on Nights Away to tighten, which prevented us from completing our camp as planned.

However, the Leaders were determined to offer the best possible experience in the circumstances. The Year 9 Scouts were able to camp closer to home and the rest of the Scouts completed several day activities during the camp week. The activities included paddleboarding, canoeing, archery, water games, Scoutcraft and an incident hike. Whilst it was not the camp we had planned and hoped for, it was great fun and meant that the Scouts could still come together to have fun.

The autumn term brought with it a change in the restrictions and we were once again able to meet face-to-face indoors without social distancing. The Scouts took part in activities across a range of themes including fire lighting, geocaching, the senses, cooking and engineering.

Our Annual Presentation Evening was a special night, as it was the first time we had been able to bring families together to share our experiences in two years. The top awards in the Scout section were awarded on the night for 2020 and 2021 as follows:

Chief Scout's Gold Award

Luke Arnell, Sam Chaney, Bea Clementson, Eleanor Flint, James Ford, Amber Goward, Max Gower, Harry Harcourt, Tess Hassan, James Hessey, Will John-Cox, Alys Jones, Harry Judge, Hannah Lidbury, Sara Littlefair, Abi Lunberg, Anna Mitchell, George Mooney, Oliver Parsons, Theo Penrose Buckley, Georgia Pope, Melody Reader, Tilly Richardson, Sienna Rogers, Emma Shaw, Henrik Smallwood, Ella Tyler, Maddy Tyler, Lilah Unwin, Izzy Walker and Emily Webb.

<i>Patrol of the Year (2020)</i>	Ravens (Wednesday) and Swifts (Friday)
<i>Patrol of the Year (2021)</i>	Seagulls (Wednesday) and Buffalos (Friday)
<i>Scout Moving On Award (2020)</i>	Jack Littlefair
<i>Scout Moving On Award (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Kitty Heath Florence Higton and Alistair Reader
<i>Camp Contribution Award (2020)</i>	Anna Mitchell
<i>Camp Contribution Award (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Sienna Rogers Claudia Shaw, Jack Littlefair and Izzy Marshall
<i>Young Leader of the Year (2020)</i>	Lauren Crighton
<i>Young Leader of the Year (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Amy Ellis Calum Jordan, Holly Boys-Guest and Laila Hassan

Grant Award (2020)

Orla Chavasse

Grant Award (2021)

Runners Up:

Will John-Cox

Sienna Rogers, Abi Lunberg and Anna Mitchell

The Scouts supported the Round Table once again with the Father Christmas Collections, raising money for local charities.

The New Year started with a night hike and Patrol Challenges. The Scouts also looked at healthy living and took part in our Scouting Winter Olympics.

The Year 9 Scouts undertook training for their Expedition Challenge and the newest Scouts got an opportunity to finally go away on the Moving On Camp, which was a huge success.

The Spring Term finished with pancakes, zoo tycoon and an evening dedicated to performing arts.

Although this year has been full of challenges, the Leadership Team has continued to offer a wide range of activities, pushing the limits of technology and innovation to provide quality Scouting for the young people who have suffered so much during the pandemic. I am incredibly proud of everyone who has stepped up to help this year and I would like to say a huge thank you to them, without whom our job would be even more difficult.

One of our strengths for many years has been our Young Leader programme. My thanks to Annie Banks, Holly Boys-Guest, Jamie Cattermole, Amy Ellis, Lucy Grant, Laila Hassan, Eben Heath, Louis Heath, Holly Holman, Emma Hughes, Calum Jordan, Zack Lovegrove, Gemma Lovibond, Eleanor Milne, Hannah Reader, India Rogers, Luke Rush, Oli Shaw, Tilly Skyrme, Joel Smith, Evie Stockton and Annie Thompson for their time and efforts. Our Young Leaders continue to be an integral part of the weekly leadership teams and their contributions are highly valued and appreciated by all who work with them and by the Scouts who benefit from their skills.

On behalf of all the Scouts and parents, I would like to thank the core leadership team, Keith Baxter, Alison Bruce, Gala Evans, Jonathan Gold, Bianca Kudla, Chris Littlefair, Dan Phillips, Alan Reed, Jonathan Reeve and Raoul Schepen for their continued outstanding hard work and commitment that is invaluable to our continuing success. Without this dedicated team of adults, we would not be able to offer such an active and enjoyable programme.

I would also like to thank our regular parent helper, Richard Emms and the other parents who have assisted us throughout the past year. This support is crucial to ensure we have the resources to continue to provide the highest quality programme. I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who has enjoyed what they have read in this report to come and join the adventure with us. We always welcome new assistance, regardless of how much time you can give.

Nick Clark
Scout Leader

Explorer Scout Unit Report 2021-2022

The summer term in Explorer Scouts is always a little more relaxed than the remainder of the year. There is no expectation for attendance from Years 11, 12 or 13 since they have various exams to be doing, or the Covid equivalent! To account for covid and a small leadership team, we decided to run the programme on alternating weeks. Year 10 and Year 12 would attend on Week A, and Year 11 and Year 13 would attend on Week B. This meant half the planning, which was welcomed! We were very lucky with the weather as all the activities were outside.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, HQ deemed it safe to only go on camp with a maximum of 30 young people. We had approximately 50 signed up for camp when this news broke. However, by enormous coincidence, about 20 of these people were our youngest year group – Year 10 – who have 3 more years of camps ahead of them. So, it was decided to go ahead with camp and only take Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13, for a grand total of 29 Explorers and about 10 leaders.

Once everyone had done their negative Covid test at 6am on the Saturday morning at the Scout Hall, we went to Cornwall and had an amazing time. The camp had a markedly different feel by only having the older ones there, and everything was a lot more relaxed than usual. It was fantastic.

The first day of activities was at Newquay Watersports centre, where they did a combination of Stand Up Paddleboarding, Coasteering and Surfing.

The next day we went to a nearby National Trust site which had mountain bike trails and had a great time zooming down these at full speed!

Tuesday saw a visit to the Eden Project, which was only a 10 minute drive away, so this gives you an idea of our location. I was a little worried that the Explorers would find this too boring, but they really enjoyed looking around at the different plants in the biomes.

On Wednesday, we ran an on-site survival day. They were to be doing their own cooking and washing up in their own patrols (which, incidentally they chose themselves on the first day, to reduce the risk of transmission..!), whilst also participating in 4 different leader-run activities based around craft and survival skills such as how to use axes and knives safely. Breakfast was cooked on portable stoves; lunch was prepared in patrols and dinner was cooked in Dutch Ovens over a fire which they built using the firewood they had collected over the course of the day.

Thursday was "Archie Day", a name which has now stuck for the past few years. Each year, Archie Evans and I come up with a convoluted day-long wide game. This year was no different. They were dropped off in a minibus and given a route to follow back to camp, with a variety of encounters along the way, where they had to smuggle items past leaders, bribe others and sell their wares back at camp. Everyone had a great time!

On the final day of activities, we went to Swanpool Beach in Falmouth where the Explorers did two activities – raft building and another session of coasteering. The weather was very hot (despite the wind and torrential rain from the night before which caused a few tent casualties!) so the water was welcome. The quality of their rafts was questionable, but some stayed afloat for a good amount of time and then all had an amazing time jumping off cliffs coasteering and some very impressive acrobatics were captured on film. A few ice creams in Falmouth on the way back to site polished off the day nicely.

We sadly said goodbye to a wonderful group of Year 13s this year who will be greatly missed and we hope they return as leaders in the future!

We welcomed a worryingly large number of new members from Scouts. With regular high attendance, delivering an invigorating programme can be difficult with the number of leaders on the team. However, we have managed to succeed so far.

Activities such as Cooking, a Night Hike and a DoF Training are all staples of the Autumn Term and this year was no different.

With the continuing theme of discussing difficult things, we had an evening where we discussed inclusion in society and the difficulties this presents, which was well-received by all.

Annual Presentation Evening

The highlight of the Autumn Term for me is always the Annual Presentation Evening. This event allows us all to gather, reminisce and laugh at the antics of the previous year and also to celebrate the achievements of our young people.

Our first award is the Explorer Commitment Award, gained by the Explorer who attends the largest number of evenings and events over the course of the year. Highly commended was Luke Rush and Sid Bowers, with Runner Ups Lizzie Coveney and Katie Ford. Congratulations to Niamh Chavasse for winning this award.

Next we have the Camp Contribution Award. This is awarded to the Explorer who gave their all during this year's summer camp and helped make it the huge success that it was. Highly Commended was Lizzie Coveney with Niamh Chavasse as Runner Up. Many congratulations to Calum Jordan for winning this prestigious award!

Finally, the Explorer Scout of the Year Award is given to the Explorer who not only goes the extra mile but is also able to set an example to the rest of the Unit. This year the choice was tough with Highly Commended being Oli Shaw with Runner Up being Amy Ellis. Our thanks and congratulations to Calum Jordan for winning this award, and for achieving the double, which hasn't happened since 2007!

The Spring Term this year involved a wide variety of activities, with a particular focus on You Shaped Scouting. This took the form of, during the first night back, each patrol planned an evening and then pitched it to the rest of the Unit at the end of the evening. The two ideas with the most votes were then two evenings which were run a few weeks later.

In addition to this, we had a collaborative art evening, a wide game, and first aid training, amongst other things.

There was also a variety of District Events this term – District Quiz (the trophy has now finally returned to the 30th!), the London Challenge and the District Archery Competition. We didn't do so well at the latter two...!

A final point to note for the Spring term is the supremely popular Great Escape District Explorer competition run by the 7th Reigate at Broadstone Warren on the last weekend of March. This year only 1 team from the 30th took part out of a total of 13 teams overall. For this weekend-long wide game, teams were given tactical training on the Friday night before being rudely awoken on Saturday morning ready for 30 hours of completing challenges, sleeping under tarpaulin and of course evading capture by the enemy armed with flour bombs! The event culminated in an all-out battle to save the world once and for all. Our team did much better than last year, coming 7th overall (344 pts with the winners scoring 427 and 13th place scoring 295). A great weekend loved by all. I hope we return next year!

Duke of Edinburgh's/Chief Scout's Report

After a year's hiatus for irritating reasons, we had a jam-packed expedition season this year, taking full advantage of the flexibilities on offer from DofE HQ. For example, a Silver Practise expedition could also simultaneously count as the Bronze Qualifying expedition and so forth. We therefore gave everyone the opportunity to catch up on missed expeditions whilst also undertaking the correct expedition for their age group (Bronze for Year 10, Silver for Year 11 and Gold for Year 12). Some of them had to go on three trips to succeed, but they did so and should be proud of what they achieved.

The only Year group unaffected was the Year 10 Bronzes who only needed to do one expedition anyway. It was the largest cohort to date with 6 teams successfully completing their expedition.

I shall be chasing participants to finish their Volunteering, Physical and Skills sections in September so that they can receive their Awards at the Presentation Evening in November.

On a personal note...

I have found this year to be quite a challenge in terms of organising lots of young people with a relatively small leadership team. I am very thankful to Trudi Wallace who joined our leadership ranks in January and to Niamh Chavasse and Oli Shaw who, despite having left only last year, have been providing support on Tuesday evenings when they can.

However, as ever, we are always looking for more help. I know that it has been a challenge this year to run a unit of this size with just six "full-time" leaders, all of whom have work commitments on top of Explorers. If we expand much further, then I am certain that Explorers will not run without further support. I intend to create a parent rota should the need arise.

If reading this report has stirred some sense of adventure inside you, please come and join the fun. Help is always welcome, however much you feel able to give.

Thomas Elwood

Explorer Scout Leader

30th Reigate Scout Group

Income & Expenditure Account Year Ended 31 March 2022

Income		21/22		20/21	
		£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	Income	30,495.94		24,487.94	
	Less overpayments	-	30,495.94	-330.00	24,157.94
Fund Raising	Income		3,188.70		373.74
Camps & Activities	Income		41136.92		nil
Clothing	Income	2,383.30		1,255.35	
	Expenditure	-		-1,049.40	
	Stock w / d to zero	-	2,383.30	-1,238.39	-1,032.44
Hall & other donations			358.06		1,004.00
100 Club			500.00		500.00
Interest			663.09		1,154.48
Govt. covid grants			8,000.00		21,070.44
Gift aid tax reclaim			6,240.60		26,274.66
Miscellaneous			100.00		-
Total Income			93,066.61		73,502.82
Expenditure					
Scout Assoc. payment			11,374.75		11,427.00
Activities and refunds, inc. camps			37,525.27		1,652.64
Equipment			948.47		nil
Repairs & maintenance			248.83		4,755.09
Utilities, Web, rates & Subscriptions			1,942.19		3,199.50
Telephone, broadband			946.70		757.44
Insurance			1,078.57		1,054.67
Uniform, badges, clothing			4,560.25		118.66
Training			260.00		136.50
Bank charges, OSM fees etc.			531.50		378.25
Total Expenses			59,416.53		23,479.75
Regular Income less expenses			33,650.08		50,023.57
Income less expenses					
Allocation from / to reserves					
To building reserve			33,650.08		50,023.57
To general reserve			nil		nil
			33,650.08		50,023.57

Allocation to reserves – 100% is allocated to building for a proposed major extension

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2022

		31 March 2022	31 March 2021
		£	£
Bank Balances	CAF Current	95,887.69	62,900.70
	CAF Deposit	59,960.72	59,950.64
	Hampshire Trust	131,779.50	131,127.34
		287,627.91	253,978.68
Debtors		nil	Nil
Petty cash		nil	Nil
Camp fees paid/ received in advance		-38,264.67	-38,871.02
Capitation fee paid in advance		11,374.75	11,980.25
Due from 100 Club		400.00	500.00
Total Reserves		261,137.99	227,587.91

Analysis of Reserves

	General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
	£	£	£
31 March 2021	101,750.08	125,837.83	227,587.91
Allocate from income & expenditure	nil	33,550.08	33,550.08
31 March 2022	101,750.08	159,387.91	261,137.99

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held via Zoom on 23 September 2021.

Apologies – None

The Chair, John Hill welcomed everyone to the second AGM by video link, Zoom.

Minutes of the Last Meeting - The minutes of the last meeting were accepted without amendment. The Chair asked for a proposer and seconder for the Minutes, these were accepted via zoom voting and it was noted that all acceptances would be via zoom.

Sectional Reports - All reports were distributed before the meeting. The GSL highlighted that there had been some improvements in the ability to meet face to face, as well as zoom. All Leaders and young leaders have again done a wonderful job all working together creating new ideas.

Accounts – John Hill presented the Treasurer’s report in the absence of Peter Mitchell. The meeting accepted the accounts via zoom voting and thanks were given to Peter for all his hard work throughout the accounting year.

Nomination of Chairperson – Jim Clark, GSL, stated that in the absence of any other nominations, John Hill was gratefully re-elected

Executive Committee

The Chair advised that in the absence of any other nominations, all roles on the Executive were being re-elected, with exception of Mike Coveney, who is stepping down. John thanked him for his work on the Executive.

- **Election of Group Treasurer** – Peter Mitchell was elected
- **Election of Group Secretary** - Betty Geer was re-elected
- **Nomination of Group Council** - All on council to continue

Election of Scrutineer - Patrick Nolan has agreed to continue to undertake this role

Any Other Business -

Michael Knight drew the winners of the Group’s 100 club monthly draw.

John Hill gave thanks to everybody for continuing to work successfully for the Group’s success.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm



30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

Annual Report & Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2022



30th Reigate Scout Group

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 15 September 2022 at 7.30pm

At Somers Hall

Agenda

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To agree Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting
- 3 To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2022
- 4 To receive and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2022
- 5 To appoint the Group Chairman (Group Scout Leader's nomination)
- 6 Elections and appointments
 - To elect the Group Secretary
 - To elect the Group Treasurer
 - To elect members to the Group Executive Committee (Group Scout Leader's nominations)
 - To co-opt members to the Group Executive Committee
 - To appoint the Independent Scrutineer
- 7 Presentations
- 8 Any Other business

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	30 th Reigate Scout Group
Group registration number	1121934
Charity's principal address	Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street, Reigate RH2 9HU

Name of the members of the Group Executive Committee

	Name	Office (if any)
Ex -Officio	Mr John Hill (Trustee)	Chair
	Mr James Clark (Trustee)	Group Scout Leader
	Mr Peter Mitchell (Trustee)	Treasurer
	Mrs Betty Geer (Trustee)	Secretary
	Mrs Judith Clark	Cub Scout Leader
Elected Members	Mr Julian Baker	Parent
	Mrs Carmel Briody	Parent
Nominated Members	Mr Martin Boyce	Ex Leader and building adviser
Co-opted Members	Mr Alan Reed	Asst. Scout Leader and building
	Mrs Alison Bruce	Asst Scout Leader and general

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of Governance

Type of governing document	The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Group Executive selection methods	The appointments are made in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Additional Governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee and the Group is separately registered with Charity Commission as an educational charity. Four members of the Group are 'Charity Trustees' for this purpose.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the Group's property and equipment
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group's finances
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting with the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support

Risk and Internal Control

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure the insurable risks are covered.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The purpose of Scouting is to contribute to 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these 3 objectives	Refer to the reports by the section Leaders.
Public Benefit	Subscriptions are charged for membership to cover immediate running costs of the Group and these do not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the principle that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions. Two key principles demonstrate that Scouting's aims are for the public benefit and that through the Scout method young people develop towards their full potential and that there is a clear link between the benefits for young people and the purpose of Scouting. The safety of young people is taken very seriously and the benefits Scouting activities provide far outweigh the risks. Any private benefits from Scouting are incidental, other than to those as a beneficiary.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Refer to the reports by the section Leaders.
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Section E Financial Review

Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves	We hold cash and deposits of £287,627.91. The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group holds sufficient reserves to satisfy this policy.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

Section E Investment Policy

The Group's policy does not have sufficient spare funds to invest longer term investments in stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or other deposits.

The current account is reviewed regularly to transfer funds not required for near use to obtain maximum value and income from its banking arrangements

Section G Declaration

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signatures	The original has been signed by	
Full name(s)	John Michael Hill	James Clark
Position	Chair	Group Scout Leader
Date	2 September 2022	

Current Leadership as at 31 March 2022

Jim Clark (Group Scout Leader)
Penny Bull (Asst. Group Scout Leader)

Beavers

- Wendy Gregory (Beaver Scout Leader)
- Jo Stilwell (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Alex Wright (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Rob Gregory (Section Asst.)
- Maddie Halsey (Sect Asst.)

Cubs

- Judy Clark (Cub Leader)
- Jonathan Lidbury (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Victoria Darnton-Summers (Asst. Leader)
- Adrian Tighe (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Toby Wallace (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Jane Wardle (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Alison Swain (Section Asst.)
- Neil Emmerson (Section Asst.)

Scouts

- Nick Clark (Scout Section Leader)
- Keith Baxter (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alison Bruce (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sarah Clark (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Trevor Ford (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Katharine Hills (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Chris Littlefair (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alan Reed (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Jonathan Reeve (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Dan Phillips (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sue Wallace (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Gala Evans (Section Asst.)
- Jonathan Gold (Section Asst.)
- Grace Quantick (Section Asst.)

Explorers

- Tom Elwood (Acting Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Brittain (Asst Explorer Scout Leader)
- Mark Colacchio (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Archie Evans (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Parsons (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Tim Holmes (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Trudi Wallace (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)

In addition, there are many Young Leaders from the Explorer Section, as well as Occasional Helpers who support the leadership team

Chairman's Report 2021 – 2022

The year 2021-22 was one of transition from online activities and meetings back to face-to-face scouting, a welcome resumption of scouting as it should be. Thanks are due to everyone who worked hard to adapt to the changes that Covid forced upon us and then to get back to face-to-face scouting. 'Everyone' includes our leaders, our young people, their parents the Group Executive and in particular our Group Scout Leader, Jim Clark. I encourage you to read the various reports below.

From a financial point of view the year showed once more that the Group's finances are sound with a substantial surplus to increase reserves. It is still the ambition to further extend the usable space in Somers Hall by building over the small hall and making the kitchen a more adaptable space. Progress on this project has been delayed by the pandemic, and it may be next year before plans are agreed.

We must all hope that there will be a period of calm ahead in which we can enjoy a normal programme of activities including camps.

John Hill

Chairman

Group Scout Leader Report 2021 – 2022

My message in this report is short and to the point.

Well, we have come through a terrible period, in which many of our young people have not been able to be outside together, camping and learning new skills and traditions. This is a void which needs to be rebuilt and all leaders are wasting no time to catch up.

It has been an epic task to keep sections going, with innovative ways to keep everyone together and leaders, young leaders and parent helpers, all volunteers, have worked tirelessly to keep your young people active, both physically and mentally. Parents tell us how wonderful we are and hope all parents appreciate what has been achieved, particularly over the last couple of years, but we continue to need your support.

You will read in the reports, and please read them, what has been achieved and asking for more help within the leadership team. We cannot grow or provide first class activities without further help, so please consider joining the fun, with enormous satisfaction at what you can achieve.

Jim Clark

Group Scout Leader

Beaver Colony Report 2021-2022

We have had a great year in Beavers!

After a staggered start in September for a few weeks we were back meeting weekly and all together – yippee.

We started the term relooking at our code of conduct and having lots of safe fun outside, Autumn walks and earning our Sports badge.

We currently have 29 Beavers on our register but over the year we have fluctuated between 30 and 28. We have a mixture of girls and boys.

We started the year with 4 adult Leaders: Jo Stillwell (Squirrel) , Rob (Mr Otter, Alex (Bear)and myself . Sadly, Squirrel has left us for a while, as her family needs her and Alex (Bear) has moved area. For the good news, Maddie (Foxy) has completed some training and is brilliant with the young Beavers. My amazing parents have also been very supportive.

We have some great young leaders too Oscar Bloomfield, Evie Stockton, Orla Chavasse, Sara Littlefair, Remy Brooks, Luke Arnell and Anna Mitchell. A special thanks must go to Oscar, who is leaving to go to university. He has been brilliant as a leader and we will miss him – he has literally done anything that I have asked him for 4 years with enthusiasm and genuine kindness for all the young Beavers, we wish him the best of times and visit us when you are home please.

The Autumn term started with a Hike around Priory Park and was great fun. We built dens and played wide games in the Priory. We played our key game on the castle grounds and looked at the trees and how they change through the seasons. Lots of safe fun.

The Spring term started with great enthusiasm, we enjoyed an evening of New Year, New me! We completed our Healthy Eating badge, First Aid, International Badge, Science and Faith Badge all in the first half term, catching up on all the badges we have missed. We also celebrated the Winter Olympics and our amazing Mum's. We enjoyed an evening of Mum's and other Superheroes.

The Summer term started with a celebration of St George's and we met with all the District at the Airplane Museum at Gatwick. It was fantastic.

There was a great turn out from almost all the colonies, and it was brilliant. They followed an Eye Spy quiz around the museum, played lots of wide games on the huge grass area and then marched and renewed our promise in front of a plane – all great fun and very memorable.

The summer term flew by we earnt lots of badges, explore badge, safety and disability badge. We also had an amazing evening at Reigate College with the wonderful Chris Schultz, who set up an evening of Paddle Sports level 1, on dry land! It was a triumph and the young Beavers loved it. We also said goodbye and 'swum up' our oldest Beavers to cubs on the kayak – a ceremony which will be hard to beat – Thank you again Chris.

The year has ended and I am so pleased that we are back face to face and having lots of fun.

Wendy Gregory

Beaver Scout Leader

Cub Pack Report 2021-2022

Nearly Normal! We have had our meetings mostly outside met as much outside with, hand cleansing and trying to maintain social distancing!

Summer Term 21

The term started with St Georges Day with the Pack renewing their Cub Promise, in uniform, on Reigate Heath and finally welcoming Edward Butterfield, Gil Emberson, Rory Grantham, Rory De Mallet- Morgan, Freddie Stockton and Luke Wilson, who couldn't move up earlier from Beavers.

Also, other new Cubs joined: Jack Bandari, Sebby Catling, Teddy Doyle, Monty Manthorpe, Emma Shoosmith and Miles Tiramani, so numbers still large at 46.

The Athlete, Athlete plus, Road Safety and Navigator Badges were achieved on the Heath in small school year groups.

Several weeks were spent Fire lighting, Shelter Building, Hiking and Tracking, which were all enjoyed as we were back to together again, even at a distance. Only two weeks of the term were disrupted, one by a whole group having to self-isolate and the other due to torrential rain!

Camp Activity Day

By July 3rd the strict camping regulations had not yet been lifted and so we held a Camp Activity day with all our usual activities but with no overnight camping or camp fire singing!

33 Cubs enjoyed climbing, shooting, archery, tent pitching, fire-lighting and ballista making. At the end of the day they had a fish and chip supper and toasted marshmallows on the camp fire.

We said goodbye to all the Cubs going up to Scouts and those who amazingly, still gained their Chief Scout Silver Award, had their badges presented to them at the end of the day or at the Group presentation evening, later in November.

Congratulations to: Samuel Anderson, Esther Booker, Sophie-Boys-Guest, Myrus Brooks, Edward Hessey, Kitty Jordan, Billy O'Dowd, Eliza Parsons, Charlie Prior, Evie Purdy, Tommy Rivers, Leila Savidge, Jonty Smallwood, Edward Taylor, Abigail Twigg, Daniel Wright and Harry Warren.

Autumn Term

Unfortunately, we had to say goodbye to two leaders this term who have been sorely missed. Firstly, to Vicky (Shetland) who moved to Milton Keynes and Neil (Shere Khan) due to work issues.

We therefore had to restrict our numbers to 36 and the new Cubs joining us this term were: Ethan Anderson, Louis Broscombe, Jude Burton, Henry Davies, Caitlin Dilks-Hopper, Felicity Dilks-Hopper, Isabelle Dorlandt, Alfie Fletcher, Elliot Knapman and Mabel O'Dowd.

We had a Challenge evening and then completed the Artist, Entertainer Activity, Home Help and Scientist badges over two weeks. A highlight of the term was a visit by 20 of the Cubs to the Town Hall to visit the mayor. They were shown around the Town Hall and after squash and biscuits were allowed to try on the mayor's robes, see the Mace and also to have a question and answer session with her. Our thanks go to Mayor, Cllr Jill Bray for the allowing us to visit and being so enthusiastic with the Cubs.

It was also great to get back to doing Christmas Craft and fitness evenings at the hall, something especially previously missed

Spring Term 22

We welcomed Eli Bloch, Rosie Prior, Zachary Saunders and Leo Warren up from Beavers and were glad to be back inside with slightly less restrictions. We had a busy term, with Chinese New Year, Lego Masters, Emergency Aid, Personal Safety and a Pirate evening to name but a few. Some of the older ones also did the Chef's badge to practice for a District Cub Cooking Competition. Our team of Cooper Byrne, Aimee Schepen and Emma Shoosmith came joint second, but more importantly after the judging they ate every bit of their meal of Chicken, Sweet potato and coconut curry with Chocolate Mousse to follow.

We finished off a busy term with Mother's Day craft and Community service of Litter picking in Priory Park and the Castle Grounds. Thank you to all the parents who helped, especially with the badge evenings and filling in when we were short of adults. Much appreciated and I hope you will return in the future.

I wish to thank the leadership team of Adrian (Kaa), Jane (Bagheera) Toby (Hathi), Jonathan (Baloo), Alison (Chil), for their total commitment throughout this time. I would also like to thank Harvey, Wizzie and all our Young Leaders George, Georgia, Harry, Maddy and Rachel for all their continued support.

My personal thanks go to them all.

Judy (Akela)

Scout Troops' Report 2021-2022

As the pandemic continued to rear its head during the summer, the Troop met largely outdoors. The Scouts completed hikes, wide games, challenges and Activity Badges. The Troop also utilised Zoom to complete more hands-on activities such as cooking, which could be supervised directly by parents.

The latter part of the term focused on Scouting skills including knotting, pioneering and tent pitching in preparation for Summer Camp. Unfortunately, the summer wave of Covid-19 caused the restrictions on Nights Away to tighten, which prevented us from completing our camp as planned.

However, the Leaders were determined to offer the best possible experience in the circumstances. The Year 9 Scouts were able to camp closer to home and the rest of the Scouts completed several day activities during the camp week. The activities included paddleboarding, canoeing, archery, water games, Scoutcraft and an incident hike. Whilst it was not the camp we had planned and hoped for, it was great fun and meant that the Scouts could still come together to have fun.

The autumn term brought with it a change in the restrictions and we were once again able to meet face-to-face indoors without social distancing. The Scouts took part in activities across a range of themes including fire lighting, geocaching, the senses, cooking and engineering.

Our Annual Presentation Evening was a special night, as it was the first time we had been able to bring families together to share our experiences in two years. The top awards in the Scout section were awarded on the night for 2020 and 2021 as follows:

Chief Scout's Gold Award

Luke Arnell, Sam Chaney, Bea Clementson, Eleanor Flint, James Ford, Amber Goward, Max Gower, Harry Harcourt, Tess Hassan, James Hessey, Will John-Cox, Alys Jones, Harry Judge, Hannah Lidbury, Sara Littlefair, Abi Lunberg, Anna Mitchell, George Mooney, Oliver Parsons, Theo Penrose Buckley, Georgia Pope, Melody Reader, Tilly Richardson, Sienna Rogers, Emma Shaw, Henrik Smallwood, Ella Tyler, Maddy Tyler, Lilah Unwin, Izzy Walker and Emily Webb.

<i>Patrol of the Year (2020)</i>	Ravens (Wednesday) and Swifts (Friday)
<i>Patrol of the Year (2021)</i>	Seagulls (Wednesday) and Buffalos (Friday)
<i>Scout Moving On Award (2020)</i>	Jack Littlefair
<i>Scout Moving On Award (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Kitty Heath Florence Higton and Alistair Reader
<i>Camp Contribution Award (2020)</i>	Anna Mitchell
<i>Camp Contribution Award (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Sienna Rogers Claudia Shaw, Jack Littlefair and Izzy Marshall
<i>Young Leader of the Year (2020)</i>	Lauren Crighton
<i>Young Leader of the Year (2021)</i> Runners Up:	Amy Ellis Calum Jordan, Holly Boys-Guest and Laila Hassan

Grant Award (2020)

Orla Chavasse

Grant Award (2021)

Runners Up:

Will John-Cox

Sienna Rogers, Abi Lunberg and Anna Mitchell

The Scouts supported the Round Table once again with the Father Christmas Collections, raising money for local charities.

The New Year started with a night hike and Patrol Challenges. The Scouts also looked at healthy living and took part in our Scouting Winter Olympics.

The Year 9 Scouts undertook training for their Expedition Challenge and the newest Scouts got an opportunity to finally go away on the Moving On Camp, which was a huge success.

The Spring Term finished with pancakes, zoo tycoon and an evening dedicated to performing arts.

Although this year has been full of challenges, the Leadership Team has continued to offer a wide range of activities, pushing the limits of technology and innovation to provide quality Scouting for the young people who have suffered so much during the pandemic. I am incredibly proud of everyone who has stepped up to help this year and I would like to say a huge thank you to them, without whom our job would be even more difficult.

One of our strengths for many years has been our Young Leader programme. My thanks to Annie Banks, Holly Boys-Guest, Jamie Cattermole, Amy Ellis, Lucy Grant, Laila Hassan, Eben Heath, Louis Heath, Holly Holman, Emma Hughes, Calum Jordan, Zack Lovegrove, Gemma Lovibond, Eleanor Milne, Hannah Reader, India Rogers, Luke Rush, Oli Shaw, Tilly Skyrme, Joel Smith, Evie Stockton and Annie Thompson for their time and efforts. Our Young Leaders continue to be an integral part of the weekly leadership teams and their contributions are highly valued and appreciated by all who work with them and by the Scouts who benefit from their skills.

On behalf of all the Scouts and parents, I would like to thank the core leadership team, Keith Baxter, Alison Bruce, Gala Evans, Jonathan Gold, Bianca Kudla, Chris Littlefair, Dan Phillips, Alan Reed, Jonathan Reeve and Raoul Schepen for their continued outstanding hard work and commitment that is invaluable to our continuing success. Without this dedicated team of adults, we would not be able to offer such an active and enjoyable programme.

I would also like to thank our regular parent helper, Richard Emms and the other parents who have assisted us throughout the past year. This support is crucial to ensure we have the resources to continue to provide the highest quality programme. I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who has enjoyed what they have read in this report to come and join the adventure with us. We always welcome new assistance, regardless of how much time you can give.

Nick Clark
Scout Leader

Explorer Scout Unit Report 2021-2022

The summer term in Explorer Scouts is always a little more relaxed than the remainder of the year. There is no expectation for attendance from Years 11, 12 or 13 since they have various exams to be doing, or the Covid equivalent! To account for covid and a small leadership team, we decided to run the programme on alternating weeks. Year 10 and Year 12 would attend on Week A, and Year 11 and Year 13 would attend on Week B. This meant half the planning, which was welcomed! We were very lucky with the weather as all the activities were outside.

Due to circumstances beyond our control, HQ deemed it safe to only go on camp with a maximum of 30 young people. We had approximately 50 signed up for camp when this news broke. However, by enormous coincidence, about 20 of these people were our youngest year group – Year 10 – who have 3 more years of camps ahead of them. So, it was decided to go ahead with camp and only take Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13, for a grand total of 29 Explorers and about 10 leaders.

Once everyone had done their negative Covid test at 6am on the Saturday morning at the Scout Hall, we went to Cornwall and had an amazing time. The camp had a markedly different feel by only having the older ones there, and everything was a lot more relaxed than usual. It was fantastic.

The first day of activities was at Newquay Watersports centre, where they did a combination of Stand Up Paddleboarding, Coasteering and Surfing.

The next day we went to a nearby National Trust site which had mountain bike trails and had a great time zooming down these at full speed!

Tuesday saw a visit to the Eden Project, which was only a 10 minute drive away, so this gives you an idea of our location. I was a little worried that the Explorers would find this too boring, but they really enjoyed looking around at the different plants in the biomes.

On Wednesday, we ran an on-site survival day. They were to be doing their own cooking and washing up in their own patrols (which, incidentally they chose themselves on the first day, to reduce the risk of transmission..!), whilst also participating in 4 different leader-run activities based around craft and survival skills such as how to use axes and knives safely. Breakfast was cooked on portable stoves; lunch was prepared in patrols and dinner was cooked in Dutch Ovens over a fire which they built using the firewood they had collected over the course of the day.

Thursday was "Archie Day", a name which has now stuck for the past few years. Each year, Archie Evans and I come up with a convoluted day-long wide game. This year was no different. They were dropped off in a minibus and given a route to follow back to camp, with a variety of encounters along the way, where they had to smuggle items past leaders, bribe others and sell their wares back at camp. Everyone had a great time!

On the final day of activities, we went to Swanpool Beach in Falmouth where the Explorers did two activities – raft building and another session of coasteering. The weather was very hot (despite the wind and torrential rain from the night before which caused a few tent casualties!) so the water was welcome. The quality of their rafts was questionable, but some stayed afloat for a good amount of time and then all had an amazing time jumping off cliffs coasteering and some very impressive acrobatics were captured on film. A few ice creams in Falmouth on the way back to site polished off the day nicely.

We sadly said goodbye to a wonderful group of Year 13s this year who will be greatly missed and we hope they return as leaders in the future!

We welcomed a worryingly large number of new members from Scouts. With regular high attendance, delivering an invigorating programme can be difficult with the number of leaders on the team. However, we have managed to succeed so far.

Activities such as Cooking, a Night Hike and a DoF Training are all staples of the Autumn Term and this year was no different.

With the continuing theme of discussing difficult things, we had an evening where we discussed inclusion in society and the difficulties this presents, which was well-received by all.

Annual Presentation Evening

The highlight of the Autumn Term for me is always the Annual Presentation Evening. This event allows us all to gather, reminisce and laugh at the antics of the previous year and also to celebrate the achievements of our young people.

Our first award is the Explorer Commitment Award, gained by the Explorer who attends the largest number of evenings and events over the course of the year. Highly commended was Luke Rush and Sid Bowers, with Runner Ups Lizzie Coveney and Katie Ford. Congratulations to Niamh Chavasse for winning this award.

Next we have the Camp Contribution Award. This is awarded to the Explorer who gave their all during this year's summer camp and helped make it the huge success that it was. Highly Commended was Lizzie Coveney with Niamh Chavasse as Runner Up. Many congratulations to Calum Jordan for winning this prestigious award!

Finally, the Explorer Scout of the Year Award is given to the Explorer who not only goes the extra mile but is also able to set an example to the rest of the Unit. This year the choice was tough with Highly Commended being Oli Shaw with Runner Up being Amy Ellis. Our thanks and congratulations to Calum Jordan for winning this award, and for achieving the double, which hasn't happened since 2007!

The Spring Term this year involved a wide variety of activities, with a particular focus on You Shaped Scouting. This took the form of, during the first night back, each patrol planned an evening and then pitched it to the rest of the Unit at the end of the evening. The two ideas with the most votes were then two evenings which were run a few weeks later.

In addition to this, we had a collaborative art evening, a wide game, and first aid training, amongst other things.

There was also a variety of District Events this term – District Quiz (the trophy has now finally returned to the 30th!), the London Challenge and the District Archery Competition. We didn't do so well at the latter two...!

A final point to note for the Spring term is the supremely popular Great Escape District Explorer competition run by the 7th Reigate at Broadstone Warren on the last weekend of March. This year only 1 team from the 30th took part out of a total of 13 teams overall. For this weekend-long wide game, teams were given tactical training on the Friday night before being rudely awoken on Saturday morning ready for 30 hours of completing challenges, sleeping under tarpaulin and of course evading capture by the enemy armed with flour bombs! The event culminated in an all-out battle to save the world once and for all. Our team did much better than last year, coming 7th overall (344 pts with the winners scoring 427 and 13th place scoring 295). A great weekend loved by all. I hope we return next year!

Duke of Edinburgh's/Chief Scout's Report

After a year's hiatus for irritating reasons, we had a jam-packed expedition season this year, taking full advantage of the flexibilities on offer from DofE HQ. For example, a Silver Practise expedition could also simultaneously count as the Bronze Qualifying expedition and so forth. We therefore gave everyone the opportunity to catch up on missed expeditions whilst also undertaking the correct expedition for their age group (Bronze for Year 10, Silver for Year 11 and Gold for Year 12). Some of them had to go on three trips to succeed, but they did so and should be proud of what they achieved.

The only Year group unaffected was the Year 10 Bronzes who only needed to do one expedition anyway. It was the largest cohort to date with 6 teams successfully completing their expedition.

I shall be chasing participants to finish their Volunteering, Physical and Skills sections in September so that they can receive their Awards at the Presentation Evening in November.

On a personal note...

I have found this year to be quite a challenge in terms of organising lots of young people with a relatively small leadership team. I am very thankful to Trudi Wallace who joined our leadership ranks in January and to Niamh Chavasse and Oli Shaw who, despite having left only last year, have been providing support on Tuesday evenings when they can.

However, as ever, we are always looking for more help. I know that it has been a challenge this year to run a unit of this size with just six "full-time" leaders, all of whom have work commitments on top of Explorers. If we expand much further, then I am certain that Explorers will not run without further support. I intend to create a parent rota should the need arise.

If reading this report has stirred some sense of adventure inside you, please come and join the fun. Help is always welcome, however much you feel able to give.

Thomas Elwood

Explorer Scout Leader

30th Reigate Scout Group

Income & Expenditure Account Year Ended 31 March 2022

Income		21/22		20/21	
		£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	Income	30,495.94		24,487.94	
	Less overpayments	-	30,495.94	-330.00	24,157.94
Fund Raising	Income		3,188.70		373.74
Camps & Activities	Income		41136.92		nil
Clothing	Income	2,383.30		1,255.35	
	Expenditure	-		-1,049.40	
	Stock w / d to zero	-	2,383.30	-1,238.39	-1,032.44
Hall & other donations			358.06		1,004.00
100 Club			500.00		500.00
Interest			663.09		1,154.48
Govt. covid grants			8,000.00		21,070.44
Gift aid tax reclaim			6,240.60		26,274.66
Miscellaneous			100.00		-
Total Income			93,066.61		73,502.82
Expenditure					
Scout Assoc. payment			11,374.75		11,427.00
Activities and refunds, inc. camps			37,525.27		1,652.64
Equipment			948.47		nil
Repairs & maintenance			248.83		4,755.09
Utilities, Web, rates & Subscriptions			1,942.19		3,199.50
Telephone, broadband			946.70		757.44
Insurance			1,078.57		1,054.67
Uniform, badges, clothing			4,560.25		118.66
Training			260.00		136.50
Bank charges, OSM fees etc.			531.50		378.25
Total Expenses			59,416.53		23,479.75
Regular Income less expenses			33,650.08		50,023.57
Income less expenses					
Allocation from / to reserves					
To building reserve			33,650.08		50,023.57
To general reserve			nil		nil
			33,650.08		50,023.57

Allocation to reserves – 100% is allocated to building for a proposed major extension

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2022

		31 March 2022	31 March 2021
		£	£
Bank Balances	CAF Current	95,887.69	62,900.70
	CAF Deposit	59,960.72	59,950.64
	Hampshire Trust	131,779.50	131,127.34
		287,627.91	253,978.68
Debtors		nil	Nil
Petty cash		nil	Nil
Camp fees paid/ received in advance		-38,264.67	-38,871.02
Capitation fee paid in advance		11,374.75	11,980.25
Due from 100 Club		400.00	500.00
Total Reserves		261,137.99	227,587.91

Analysis of Reserves

	General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
	£	£	£
31 March 2021	101,750.08	125,837.83	227,587.91
Allocate from income & expenditure	nil	33,550.08	33,550.08
31 March 2022	101,750.08	159,387.91	261,137.99

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held via Zoom on 23 September 2021.

Apologies – None

The Chair, John Hill welcomed everyone to the second AGM by video link, Zoom.

Minutes of the Last Meeting - The minutes of the last meeting were accepted without amendment. The Chair asked for a proposer and seconder for the Minutes, these were accepted via zoom voting and it was noted that all acceptances would be via zoom.

Sectional Reports - All reports were distributed before the meeting. The GSL highlighted that there had been some improvements in the ability to meet face to face, as well as zoom. All Leaders and young leaders have again done a wonderful job all working together creating new ideas.

Accounts – John Hill presented the Treasurer’s report in the absence of Peter Mitchell. The meeting accepted the accounts via zoom voting and thanks were given to Peter for all his hard work throughout the accounting year.

Nomination of Chairperson – Jim Clark, GSL, stated that in the absence of any other nominations, John Hill was gratefully re-elected

Executive Committee

The Chair advised that in the absence of any other nominations, all roles on the Executive were being re-elected, with exception of Mike Coveney, who is stepping down. John thanked him for his work on the Executive.

- **Election of Group Treasurer** – Peter Mitchell was elected
- **Election of Group Secretary** - Betty Geer was re-elected
- **Nomination of Group Council** - All on council to continue

Election of Scrutineer - Patrick Nolan has agreed to continue to undertake this role

Any Other Business -

Michael Knight drew the winners of the Group’s 100 club monthly draw.

John Hill gave thanks to everybody for continuing to work successfully for the Group’s success.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

30th Reigate Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2022 which are set out on pages 13 and 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts ;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

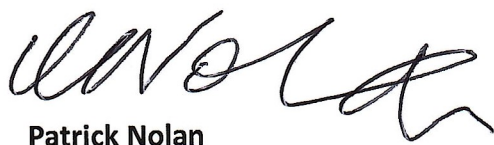
Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented 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
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Patrick Nolan

September 2022

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30TH REIGATE SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1121934

Accounts



30th Reigate Scout Group



Somers Hall, Slipshoe Street

Annual Report & Accounts Year Ended 31 March 2021



30th Reigate Scout Group

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 23 September 2021 at 8.00 pm

By video link (zoom)

Agenda

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 To agree the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting
- 3 To receive and adopt the Annual Report for the year ending 31 March 2021
- 4 To receive and adopt the Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2021
- 5 To appoint the Group Chairman (Group Scout Leader's nomination)
- 6 Elections and appointments:
 - To elect the Group Secretary
 - To elect the Group Treasurer
 - To elect members to the Group Executive Committee
 - To appoint members to the Group Executive Committee (Group Scout Leader's nominations)
 - To co-opt members to the Group Executive Committee
 - To appoint the Independent Examiner
- 7 Any other business

Trustees' Annual Report for the year

1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	30 th Reigate Scout Group
Group registration number	1121934
Charity's principal address	Somers Hall Slipshoe Street Reigate RH2 9HU

Name of the members of the Group Executive Committee

	Name	Office (if any)
Ex –Officio	Mr John Hill (Trustee)	Chair
	Mr James Clark (Trustee)	Group Scout Leader
	Mr Peter Mitchell (Trustee)	Treasurer
	Mrs Betty Geer (Trustee)	Secretary
	Mrs Judith Clark	Cub Scout Leader & Gift Aid
Elected Members	Mr Julian Baker	Parent
	Mrs Carmel Briody	Parent
	Mr Rob Gregory	Parent
Nominated Members	Mr Martin Boyce	Ex Leader and Building
Co-opted Members	Mr Alan Reed	Asst. Scout Leader & Building
	Mrs Alison Bruce	Asst. Scout Leader & General

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of Governance

Type of governing document	The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Group Executive selection methods	The appointments are made in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association

Additional governance issues

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee and the Group is separately registered with The Charity Commission as an educational charity. Seven members of the Group are 'Charity Trustees' for this purpose.

The Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of the Group's property and equipment
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group's finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting with the recruitment of Leaders and other adult support

Risk and internal control

The Group has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss; these include 2 signatories for all payments and a comprehensive insurance policy to ensure that insurable risks are covered

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objectives of the charity set out in its governing document	The objectives of the Group are as a unit of the Scout Association. The purpose of Scouting is to contribute to 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. The method of achieving the Aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	Refer to the reports by the section Leaders Subscriptions are charged for membership to cover immediate running costs of the Group and these do not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the principle that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions.
Public Benefit	Two key principles demonstrate that Scouting's aims are for the public benefit and that through the Scout method young people develop towards their full potential and that there is a clear link between the benefits for young people and the purpose of Scouting. The safety of young people is taken very seriously and the benefits Scouting activities provide far outweigh the risks. Any private benefits from Scouting are incidental, other than to those as a beneficiary.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	Refer to the reports by the Beaver Scout Leader, Cub Leader, Scout Leader and Explorer Scout Leader for each section
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Section E Financial Review

Brief statement on the charity's policy on reserves	Reserves Policy We hold cash and deposits of £253,978.68. The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the Group holds sufficient reserves to satisfy this policy.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None

Section F Investment Policy

The Group's policy does not have sufficient spare funds to invest longer term investments in stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or other deposits.

The current account is reviewed regularly to transfer funds not required for near use to obtain maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

The original has been signed by

Full names(s)
Position

John Michael Hill
Chair

James Clark
Group Scout Leader

Date

June 2021

Current Leadership as at 31 March 2021

Jim Clark (Group Scout Leader)
Penny Bull (Asst. Group Scout Leader)

Beavers

- Wendy Gregory (Beaver Scout Leader)
- Jo Stilwell (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Alex Wright (Asst. Beaver Scout Leader)
- Rob Gregory (Section Assistant)
- Maddie Halsey (Section Assistant)

Scouts

- Nick Clark (Scout Section Leader)
- Keith Baxter (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alison Bruce (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sarah Clark (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Mark Colacchio (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Trevor Ford (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Katharine Hills (Asst. Section Leader)
- Chris Littlefair (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Alan Reed (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Jonathan Reeve (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Dan Phillips (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Sue Wallace (Asst. Scout Leader)
- Jordan Boys-Guest (Section Asst.)
- Gala Evans (Section Asst.)
- Jonathan Gold (Section Asst.)
- Grace Quantick (Section Asst.)

Cubs

- Judy Clark (Cub Leader)
- Jonathan Lidbury (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Victoria Darnton-Summers (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Adrian Tighe (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Toby Wallace (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Jane Wardle (Asst. Cub Scout Leader)
- Alison Swain (Section Assistant)
- Neil Emmerson (Section Assistant)

Explorers

- Tom Elwood (Acting Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Brittain (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Archie Evans (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Jeremy Parsons (Asst. Explorer Scout Leader)
- Tim Holmes (Unit Asst.)

In addition, there are many young leaders from the Explorer section who support the leadership teams of the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts throughout the year, as well as parents often helping out on particular activities.

Chairman's Report 2020 – 2021

The year was dominated by the Covid 19 pandemic which made normal scouting activities impossible, put plans for improvements to Somers Hall on hold and created financial uncertainty. Our Group Scout Leader, Jim Clark, with the support of the leaders and Executive, faced the task of providing our young people with scouting activities in this unprecedented situation. The leadership has risen to the challenge with commendable energy and ingenuity and parents have responded in a very positive and supportive way.

The pandemic has resulted in some loss of Group income, though many have voluntarily continued subscriptions for which we are grateful. However, there has been significant loss of income from Hall lettings and other fundraising, with little offsetting reduction in costs. Fortunately, the Group was eligible for Covid related Government grants. These and receipt of a large Gift Aid tax reclaim have resulted in substantial surplus for the year. The Group continues to be in good health financially with high level of reserves carried forward at the year end, and well able to commit to further upgrades to Somers Hall.

The major project under discussion is the creation of a further room over the small hall, and hence behind the kitchen. As well as an activity room the plans include a toilet and a storage area. Plans for upgrading the kitchen have yet to be agreed. Jim Clark continues to project manage such work as well as leading the Group.

The Group is beginning to resume normal activities, but there need to be special measures taken to keep everyone safe. These will impose restrictions on what is possible, but hopefully only in the short term.

The leaders and other helpers work hard to give young people an enjoyable and valuable experience and have reacted positively to the challenges of the pandemic. I am sure that everyone associated with the Group will join me in thanking them for their magnificent response. In particular Jim Clark's leadership and the many hours he spends on work for the 30th have been invaluable. Thanks are also to the Executive, who give their time and skills to help manage the Group.

John Hill
Chairman

Group Scout Leader's Report 2020 – 2021

A year to forget or remember.

I am sure we would all like to forget the past year, as so many different pressures have been placed on everyone. In scouting, there have been few meetings that have been able to take place to meet each other and even less having any meetings in the Hall.

Covid has introduced us to a different life, at least for the time being and we have had to adapt scouting dramatically but thank goodness for technology to save the day. This is why, perhaps, we should remember, not forget, this period.

Everyone has had to learn the art of online meetings and adapt programmes to suit this environment and I am pleased to say that achievements under these conditions have been remarkable and I congratulate our Leaders and Young Leaders for taking the challenge and winning.

I am sure parents have been pleased with the outcome, in general, being able to provide socially distanced meetings and activities, at least that reflects the many comments we have received.

It is a great shame that we have not been able to hold the annual camps but I believe the alternative events had considerable participation.

At the year end of 31 March 2021, we are still locked down but the picture is beginning to change for the better, with vaccines becoming available and we hope to get back to some normality as the new year progresses.

Jim Clark
Group Scout Leader

Beaver Colony Report 2020 – 2021

“Unprecedented” is overused but sums up the year of 2020/2021.

We currently have 30 Beavers on our register but over the year we have fluctuated between 32 and 30. We have a mixture of girls and boys.

We started the year with 2 adult Leaders: Jo Stillwell (Squirrel) and myself and have ended the year with 4 – great stuff. My husband Rob has done some training during lock down and Alex (Bear) is back as his daughter Sophia has now joined. We also have Maddie Halsey starting her training and the possibility of another new leader. This is great news.

We have some great young leaders too Oscar Bloomfield, Evie Stockton, Orla Chavasse and Sara Littlefair. A special thanks must go to Orla and Sara who have been amazing during lockdown on zoom. The last term of zoom meetings they completely raised the bar and entertained the Beavers with Detective evenings, escape rooms and just generally being magnificent.

The Autumn term started with a Hike around Priory Park and was great fun. We split the colony in half, which was the directive from the Scout Association. It was different but nice as we got to know the young people much better and could take time. We managed to meet for a few weeks before the second lockdown. We built dens and played wide games in the Priory. Lots of safe fun.

The spring term started and finished on Zoom we started on a ‘New Year New me’ theme. We did lots of exercises, Otter’s exercises. Mr Otter, Rob dressed up in a sumo suit to explain what happens if you do not exercise and eat unhealthily. We also held a virtual Burns night, and Chinese New Year celebrations as well as learnt tracking techniques.

After half term, it was my turn to dress up, as a Banana! For Fairtrade week, we learnt about how we can buy Fair trade produce and what that means for the people who farm and produce the foods and what it means for the world.

The next week was book week and Orla created an amazing Book quiz and ran the whole evening. The next week Sara made a great Mother’s Day card with the Beavers. She had cut out all the individual pieces and then directed them through the making of them – lovely.

The next two weeks were the detective game and escape room, both excellent and kept the Beavers fully amused.

The lockdown has brought challenges, but we have also been busy. Some of our families are embracing all the activities but a few families are not at the moment. Most weeks we have about 22 out of the 30 that are engaged. Most weeks I post something, for the families that do not want to zoom, to amuse the Beaver.

Since Easter we have been meeting our Beavers face to face. We are dividing the colony into half again. I have consulted the parents and they are grateful for what we are offering. I am more confident that I can keep the necessary guidelines, with a smaller amount, also I am protecting my leaders.

We have been on a Bluebell walk, which was great and have played tennis at Reigate College, which was a great success. My plan is to stay with the small numbers until May half term and then, with my leader’s consultation, decide about meeting as 30 for the rest of the summer term.

A very different year but a good one for Scouting none the less.

Wendy Gregory

Beaver Scout Leader

Cub Scout Report 2020 – 2021

What a Year!

But we have hung on in there and finished the year in March still with 46 Cubs.

We met every week throughout lock down on Zoom with leaders running separate zoom sessions for their individual year group.

Summer Term 20

The term started with St Georges Day with everyone renewing their Cub Promise in uniform on the doorstep after the Clap for Carers. The Cubs also made cardboard figures with the Cub promise on, to put in their windows and on St Georges flags. We also took part in the VE celebrations.

There were zooms to finish Artist, Communicator, DIY, Home Help and Scientist Badges which were started the week before lockdown. We also welcomed by zoom our new Cubs, Samuel Hyde, Sid Richardson and Arthur Stapleton, who were also at a later date invested over zoom.

Some weeks there were activities to do at home or out with the family on the daily exercise walks, Countryside Code, Reigate Town Trail, Mini beast study and Nature Bingo.

Camp At Home

This was a very successful weekend with 45 Cubs taking part. The activities were varied as to suit each family's situation.

They had to camp out either one or two nights in the garden or in a homemade den in the house and make a camp fire, either real with parent supervision, of course, or one made of cardboard or sweets. Also, build a miniature raft from twigs and sail in a pond or bowl of water or bath. They did some knotting, using liquorice so we could eat the results. The Cubs favourite was cooking, making camp doughnuts, roasting marshmallows and making pitta bread pizza.

The Cubs also carried on completing requirements for their Challenge badges with evenings doing Healthy Eating with a mixture of things to complete at home and quizzes to share in, on zoom. Also, making a cake in a mug, some even on zoom.

During this time the Surrey Scout County also ran Competitions for the Cubs and I am pleased to report that Jonty Smallwood and Daniel Wright got a well done for their entries into the Junk modelling and Daniel, Samuel Anderson and Nathaniel Smith for their Lego entries, which were displayed on the county website.

Thank you to parents who uploaded photos of all the activities, especially the camp, as this allowed us to enjoy all the Cubs achievements. Well done to all the Cubs who participated in the 'Badges at Home', as I know a lot of badges were gained this way and it was good to see such a variety.

We continued to meet every Monday on zoom throughout the summer except for Bank Holiday as we thought we deserved one night off.

We said goodbye remotely to all the Cubs going up to Scouts and those who amazingly still gained their Chief Scout Silver Award, had their badges and certificates delivered and were presented to them by their parents in front of their peers.

Congratulations to: Ben Craig, Alexander Grantham, Kitty Heath, Daniel Judge, Ruth Lewis, Isaac McMannan-Smith, Hugh Morris, Teddy Nott, George Page and Alistair Reader.

Autumn Term

We returned to face to face outside with social distancing, in small groups and different start and finish times. There were Priory Park quizzes, Town walks, Recycling and litter picking and games outside the hall, all in groups of 4/5 with their own leader.

Later, we were allowed back inside again in small groups with sanitizing and face masks for leaders. We were joined by more new Cubs meeting them for the first time, with Cooper Byrne, Lily Schepen, Henry Goggin and Leo Bendyshe- Brown.

We had a Mr Men evening and then started on Artist, Astronomer and Entertainer Activity badges before once again we had lockdown and had to go back on zoom. By now the leaders had mastered Breakout rooms and although each breakout bubble had their same leader, it was great to see all the Cubs at the beginning and the end of the session.

Finishing the year, the Cubs learned about Diwali, St Andrew and Alaska which included making an Inuksuk. Christmas craft was delivered to the doorsteps this year and the zoom included Christmas Scattergories and a quiz. We said goodbye to Christopher Combes who completed his Chief Scouts Award Silver and moved up to Scouts.

Spring Term 21 saw us continue the pack meetings on zoom on Winnie the Pooh, Lego Masters, Bird Watch, Chinese New Year and International Women's Day. There were also two fitness evenings which included warm up sessions and kick boxing. The Pack also escaped the clutches of Professor Whistler twice, firstly from his Castle and then his underground jail! A lot of brain power needed!

We finished the term with Easter craft, collected from Akela's doorstep.

Whilst we are all desperate to get back to normal, we are grateful for everyone's patience and support.

I wish to publically thank Adrian (Kaa), Jane (Bagheera) Toby (Hathi), Jonathan (Baloo), Vicky (Shetland) and Neil (Shere Khan) for their total commitment throughout this time. Also to Sue, as although a Scout Leader has helped enormously with the zoom meetings and preparation. I would also like to thank Alison (Chil) and all our Young Leaders (not so young now!) Harvey, Wizzy Lizzie and Alex who have helped every time we were allowed to meet in person.

Judy Clark (Akela)

Scout Troops' Report 2020 – 2021

The pandemic meant that we were unable to meet face-to-face during the summer term. However, we were determined to continue to offer Scouting in some form. We began running online sessions via Zoom. Although this proved challenging, as so much of what we do requires some form of physical interaction, we were able to adapt and offer some excellent evenings.

Sadly, our ASPs, Scoutabout and Summer Camp were all cancelled due to the restrictions, but we were able to run our first (and hopefully our last) virtual Summer Camp. The Troop met for activities via Zoom and completed activities offline with families and bubbles.

The autumn term brought with it a change in the restrictions and we were once again able to meet face-to-face indoors and outdoors, albeit with restrictions such as social distancing and regular sanitisation. Even these minor restrictions required quite significant changes to the way in which the Troop operated, especially as we had to limit numbers of Scouts in each location. Evening activities included night hikes, wide games, graffiti, craft and badge work.

Our Annual Presentation Evening and Docklands Camp were also cancelled, along with our usual Christmas activities and fundraising efforts due to the restrictions.

The New Year brought a new lockdown, meaning we once again had to return to virtual meetings. Fortunately, we were able to provide more activities including evenings on The Crystal Maze, theme parks, international, science experiments and our popular cooking evenings.

The usual Winter Camp, District Patrol Leader Training, Moving On Camp and WaterMania were all cancelled, as was the postponed Scoutabout camp.

Although this year has been full of challenges, the Leadership Team has continued to offer a wide range of activities, pushing the limits of technology and innovation to provide quality Scouting for the young people who have suffered so much during the pandemic. I am incredibly proud of everyone who has stepped up to help this year and I would like to say a huge thank you to them, without whom our job would be even more difficult.

One of our strengths for many years has been our Young Leader programme. My thanks to Etty Baker, Thea Baker, Annie Banks, Holly Boys-Guest, Alicia Courtney-Walker, Lauren Crighton, Amy Ellis, Stella Gold, Laila Hassan, Eben Heath, Emma Hughes, Calum Jordan, Gemma Lovibond, Eleanor Milne, Hannah Reader, India Rogers, Oli Shaw, Ellie Short, Tilly Skyrme, Joel Smith, and Annie Thompson for their time and efforts. Our Young Leaders continue to be an integral part of the weekly leadership teams and their contributions are highly valued and appreciated by all who work with them and by the Scouts who benefit from their skills.

On behalf of all the Scouts and parents, I would like to thank the core leadership team, Keith Baxter, Alison Bruce, Sarah Clark, Mark Colacchio, Gala Evans, Trevor Ford, Jonathan Gold, Lily Gold, Chris Littlefair, Dan Phillips, Grace Quantick, Alan Reed and Jonathan Reeve for their continued outstanding hard work and commitment that is invaluable to our continuing success. Without this dedicated team of adults, we would not be able to offer such an active and enjoyable programme.

Never before have we relied so much on the whole Scouting family to deliver our programme. In particular, I would like to thank Anna Baynes, Amelia Finn, Francesca Byrne and Ben Marrington-Reeve, who have all joined us from across the country at their respective universities to support us on our virtual evenings.

I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who has enjoyed what they have read in this report to come and join the adventure with us. We always welcome new assistance, regardless of how much time you feel as though you are able to give.

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Nick Clark
Scout Leader

Explorer Scout Report 2020 – 2021

Well it has certainly been a different year for Explorers, as indeed it has been for everyone else! I would like to begin by thanking my indefatigable leadership team – Jeremy Parsons, Jeremy Brittain, and Tim Holmes, with special mentions to Dylan Chavasse, Amy Talbot and Amy Kerridge who have all stepped in at some point or other to help out.

Virtual Lockdown Activities

Since my last report, when I spoke about the various online activities that we tried during lockdown 1, we have had a number of online sessions, these being during Summer 2020, November 2020 and Spring 2021.

During these sessions we did a huge variety of activities. Ones that went down particularly well included the easy-to-run Kahoot quiz which is always fun, virtual escape rooms and online detective puzzles (one of these lasted us three consecutive weeks in December and we had to scour “Facebook” pages and other websites to find clues to help us solve puzzles that each player had printed out, before completing a final online challenge requiring an unusual amount of patience and dexterity! I highly recommend it), to cookalong pizza making with our chef extraordinaire, Tim Holmes. We also took on challenging topics such as how to create a better society and we also discussed sexual harassment following the Sarah Everard case and I must thank Kate Belford for her astounding work in helping me plan the evening in a sensitive manner, as well as to Amy Kerridge and Daisy Brittain who assisted on the evening and provided personal anecdotes which really added to the discussion and made it a very successful evening.

I have been immeasurably proud not only of the leadership team for having the tenacity to plan and run such online adventures, but also of the Explorers who have been so adaptable in this distressing time (and this probably helped one of them think outside the box during the Taskmaster evening and balance his mattress on his head!)

Outdoor Activities

At the beginning of the Autumn term, we were able to get outside for a month or so which was hugely welcomed. We planned a series of 4 activities to run on rotation (Year 10, Year 11, Year 12, Year 13). We set up a sign-up system so that we did not have more than 15 Explorers at any one time. The activities ranged from a Night Hike with myself, an outdoor discussion-based “board game” with David, something involving glow sticks, frisbees and footballs with Tim, and “table football” with the Jeremies (big pioneering poles connecting Explorers makes social distancing a doddle!)

We then started to excitedly plan the second half term (House of Games, carrot cars, pyrography, navigation) and managed a whole one week of this before lockdown 2 occurred! However, we have these activities planned and ready to go for a rainy day in the future.

Now that we are back outside again, we are running a fuller programme with no limitation on numbers in theory. However, I have decided to run alternate weeks; Year 10 + Year 13 one week, and Year 11 + Year 12 the next week. We have done pioneering challenges on Reigate Heath, sports in the Park and lateral thinking/logic puzzles as well. Coming up after Half Term we have got a Wide

Game and Alternative Olympics to look forward to. These are also Moving On events for Scouts, so hopefully they are looking forward to joining us!

This summer we are looking forward to being allowed to go on Summer Camp to Cornwall. Watch this space for 2022's report to find out whether this went ahead or not!

Duke of Edinburgh Report

We have faced numerous challenges regarding the organisation of expeditions due to the pandemic. Fortunately, DofE HQ have implemented a huge number of temporary measures which means that we can now deliver a programme and get everyone caught up on missed expeditions.

Flexibilities such as *"Bronze Qualifying expedition and Silver Practise expedition can be one and the same hike"* coupled with *"when residential experiences are not permitted, participants may be collected by parents, go home to sleep, and come back in the morning"* and *"Silver and Gold expeditions may be in areas that are both local and familiar to participants"* have enabled me to organise just three trips (June, August, October) to get all of the Bronze, Silver and Gold expeditions done and dusted!

In the meantime, Explorers have been working on the Volunteering, Physical and Skills sections and some have worked very hard indeed to get these up-to-date (whilst others need a good deal of nagging!).

Leadership Team and Explorer Membership

We are a large group and are only going to get bigger. I believe there are up to 21 moving up from Wednesday Scouts plus 16 from Friday Scouts. Add that to the 60+ Explorers who are currently in Year 10, 11 or 12, and that is quite a lot for 4 leaders to manage!

Therefore I am looking to recruit a number of new leaders on a rotation basis (so that they don't need to come each week if they don't want to) to take us up to at least 6 leaders every Tuesday evening, giving around 15 Explorers per leader which is manageable. Some of these leaders would be from younger sections.

My secondary plan is to continue the two week rotation, although split it vertically rather than by year group so that leadership qualities amongst the older Explorers can be nurtured. This would give 13 or so Explorers to each of the current team of 4 leaders which is again manageable.

If you are reading this and have any ideas on where to find leaders, or if you yourself fancy a something a bit more adventurous now and again, do please get in touch and we would love to have you on board!

Thomas Elwood

Explorer Scout Leader

30th Reigate Scout Group

Income and Expenditure Account Year ended 31 March 2021

Income		20/21		19/20	
		£	£	£	£
Subscriptions	Income	24,487.94		35,324.00	
	Less overpayments	<u>-330.00</u>	24,157.94	<u>nil</u>	35,324.00
Fund Raising	Income	373.74		7,261.83	
	Expenses	<u>nil</u>	373.74	<u>-100.00</u>	7,161.83
Camps & Activities	Income	nil		55,111.31	
	Less Expenditure	nil		<u>-55,174.62</u>	-63.31
Clothing	Income	1,255.35		2,029.22	
	Expenditure	-1,049.40		-1,413.03	
	Stock write down to zero	-1,238.39	-1,032.44		616.19
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Hall & other donations		1,004.00		3,746.00	
100 Club		500.00		600.00	
Interest		1,154.48		1,346.01	
Government covid grants		21,070.44		nil	
Gift Aid tax reclaim		<u>26,274.66</u>	50,003.58	<u>nil</u>	5,692.01
Total Income			73,502.82		48,730.72
Expenditure					
Capitation		11,427.00		11,020.00	
Section expenses		1,652.64		3,932.75	
Equipment		nil		1,374.42	
Repairs & maintenance		4,755.09		1,519.90	
Utilities, rates, web & subscriptions		3,199.50		2,301.21	
Telephone, broadband		757.44		1,045.91	
Insurance		1,054.67		1,037.50	
Uniform & badges		118.66		2,543.68	
Training		136.50		304.00	
Bank charges / OSM fees		<u>378.25</u>		<u>3,212.40</u>	
Total Expenses			23,479.75		28,438.95
Regular income less expenses			<u>50,023.07</u>		<u>20,438.95</u>
Income less expenses			50,023.07		
Allocation from / to reserves					
To building reserve			50,023.07		20,438.95
To general reserve			<u>nil</u>		<u>Nil</u>
			<u>50,023.07</u>		<u>20,438.95</u>

Allocation to reserves – 100% of the reserve is allocated to building for a major proposed extension

30th Reigate Scout Group

Balance Sheet at 31 March 2021

		31 March 21	31 March 20
		£	£
Bank balances	CAF Current	62,900.70	66,555.90
	CAF Deposit	59,950.64	59,923.50
	Hampshire Trust	131,127.34	70,000.00
		253,978.68	196,479.40
Debtors		nil	341.00
Petty cash		nil	102.00
Camp & Activity fees received in advance		-38,871.02	-32,622.95
Stock		0.00	1,238.39
Capitation fee paid in advance		11,980.25	11,427.00
Due from 100 Club		500.00	600.00
Total Reserves		227,587.91	177,564.84

Analysis of Reserves

		General Reserve	Building Maintenance Reserve	Total
		£	£	£
31 Mar 20		101,750.08	75,814.76	177,564.84
Allocate from Inc & Expenditure		nil	50,023.07	50,023.07
31 Mar 21		101,750.08	125,837.83	227,587.91

Note

In a year where there has been few section activities and little fund raising, the excess income over expenses is almost entirely due to two factors:

- We have been eligible for government covid grants under the leisure and hospitality sector and received £21,070.44 during this period
- Submissions to HMRC to claim gift aid tax on subscriptions and donations for the previous three years of £26,274.66

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

30th Reigate Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 March 2020 which are set out on pages 15 and 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Group's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners; and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of examiner's report

My examination was carried out with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented 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
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with the Charities Act 2011; and
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2 To which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Patrick Nolan

8 July 2021

30th Reigate Scout Group

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held via Zoom on 16th July 2020.

Apologies – Sandrine Hewes

The Chair, John Hill welcomed everyone to the first AGM by video link, Zoom, including Adrian Jackson, Assistant District Commissioner and Margaret Tilford, Assistant District Commissioner for Cubs

Minutes of the Last Meeting - The minutes of the last meeting were accepted without amendment. The Chair asked for a proposer and seconder for the Minutes, these were accepted via zoom voting and it was noted that all acceptances would be via zoom.

Sectional Reports - All reports were distributed before the meeting and Jim welcomed all present. He highlighted that due to the Lock down in March, all section meetings have been via zoom, all Leaders and young leaders have done a brilliant job all working together coming up with new ideas. Parents have become more involved and seeing an increased use of OSM, the Groups administrative and management system. Scouting currently has a traffic light system of readiness to return to normal conditions and now on amber so small groups can meet outside. There is a risk assessment being carried out in scout hall with an upgraded hygiene programme.

Accounts – John Hill presented the Treasurer’s report in the absence of Sandrine Hewes.

The meeting accepted the accounts via zoom voting and thanks were given to Sandrine for all her hard work throughout the accounting year. The Chair reported that Sandrine was seeking to retire from the Treasurer’s role and a replacement was being actively pursued

Nomination of Chairperson – Jim Clark, GSL, stated that in the absence of any other nominations, John Hill was gratefully re-elected

Executive Committee

The Chair advised that in the absence of any other nominations, all roles on the Executive were being re-elected, with exception of Mike Coveney, who is stepping down. John thanked him for his work on the Executive.

- **Election of Group Treasurer** – Sandrine Hewes was re-elected, until a replacement was appointed
- **Election of Group Secretary** - Betty Geer was re-elected
- **Nomination of Group Council** - All on council to continue

Election of Scrutineer - Patrick Nolan has agreed to continue to undertake this role

Any Other Business -

Michael Knight drew the winners of the Group’s 100 club monthly draw. £600 had been raised for the Group in the financial year and that there were still a few slots available if anyone would like to join.

John Hill gave thanks to everybody for the work involved in making the Group successful.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8pm