

2ND THATCHAM (GREENHAM COURT) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 279878

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1980-06-02

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

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Activities

Objects: THE INSTRUCTION OF BOYS OF ALL CLASSES IN THE PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLINE, LOYALTY AND GOOD CITIZENSHIP.

Activities: 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.

Classification

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

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** THATCHAM
- West Berkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31		-	-	-
2024-03-31	£105,792	£112,236	-	-
2023-03-31	£60,714	£68,599	-	-
2022-03-31	£76,682	£58,407	-	-
2021-03-31	£54,653	£60,125	-	-
2020-03-31	£62,370	£51,271	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Daniel Danskin	Chair	2019-07-12
CAROLINE COOPEY		
Jyoti Parmar		2017-10-31
Rob Rugman		2021-09-01

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Trustee's Annual Report For the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

A. Reference and administration details

Charity name: 2nd Thatcham Scout Group

Charity number: 279878 (England & Wales)

Charity's principal address: Memorial Playing Fields
Brownsfield
Thatcham
RG18 3AG

Names of the *Charity Trustees* who managed the charity during the year (the "2nd Thatcham Executive Committee"):

<i>Elected</i>	Dan Danskin	Chairperson
	Jyoti Parmar	Treasurer
	Allison Pritchard	Secretary
	Caroline Coopey	GSL
<i>Nominated members</i>		
	Nigel Doe	Quartermaster
<i>Co-opted Members</i>	Ben Tichband	Parent Rep (Forest Beavers)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Parent Rep (Great Oak Beavers)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Parent Rep (Rogers Cubs)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Parent Rep (Bostock Cubs)/Fundraising Team
	Rob Rugman	Parent Rep (Thor Scouts)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Youth Rep

Bankers: Lloyds Bank Thatcham

Independent Examiner: Marc Alderman

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B. Structure, governance and management

The Group's governing documents are those of The Scout Association (Registered Charity number 306101).

They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Scout Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. The Group is established under The Scout Association's rules, which are common to all Scout undertakings in the United Kingdom.

B.1 The 2nd Thatcham Executive Committee

The 2nd Thatcham Scouts started the year managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the *Charity Trustees* of the Scout Group and are appointed in accordance with the rules of The Scout Association.

During this year we have transitioned to a Trustee Board, details of this and how the trustees will operate going forward can be found in section F below

The Committee for this period consisted of three independent representatives - Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary - together with any Group Scout Leader(s), and parent representatives.

The Executive Committee meets at least 4 times each year and exists to support the Scout Group.

Members of the Group Executive Committee must act collectively as the *Charity Trustees* of the Group, and in the best interests of its members to:

- Ensure compliance with all relevant legislation;
- Comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association;
- Protect and maintain any property and equipment owned or used by the Group;
- Manage the Group finances;
- Provide insurance for people, property and equipment;
- Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fundraising activities;
- Promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area;
- Manage and implement the Safety Policy locally;
- Ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community;
- Appoint and manage the operation of any other sub-Committees, including appointing Chairmen to lead those sub-Committees;
- Ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group;

The Group Executive Committee must also:

- Appoint Administrators, Advisers, and Co-opted members of the Committee;
- Approve the Annual Report and Annual Accounts after their examination by an appropriate auditor, independent examiner or scrutineer;
- Present the Annual Report and Annual Accounts to the Group Scout Council at the Annual General Meeting and file a copy with the District Executive Committee;
- Maintain confidentiality with regard to appropriate Executive Committee business.

B.2 Internal controls

The Group Executive Committee has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of the Group's property and money; these include two signatories for all bank payments.

C. Objectives and activities

The objectives of the Group are achieved by operating in accordance with the Purpose, Values and Method of Scouting and The Scout Association.

The Purpose of Scouting is to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

As Scouts we are guided by these values:

- **Integrity** – We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
- **Respect** – We have self-respect and respect for others.
- **Care** – We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
- **Belief** – We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
- **Co-operation** – We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

Scouting uses a Method, which is young people, in partnership with adults:

- enjoying what they are doing;
- learning by doing;
- participating in varied and progressive activities;
- making choices for themselves;
- taking responsibility for their own actions;
- working in groups;
- taking increasing responsibility for others;
- taking part in activities outdoors;
- sharing in prayer and worship;
- making and living out their Promise.

This Method is delivered mainly at Group level, through a weekly training programme and regular camps and activities for each age group (or "Section"). The Group supports this delivery mainly by providing programme advice and guidance for Section leaders; together with management advice and guidance for Group Scout Leaders and Group administrators.

The Group also provides camps, activities and fundraising opportunities for all members of the 2nd Thatcham Scout's and contributes to the district activities.

D. Achievements and performance

D.1 Activities

2nd Thatcham Scout Group seems to go from strength to strength, this year we had the great pleasure in starting a Squirrel Drew, which means we have grown in both young members and adult Leaders and we also have six Young Leaders who support the sections on a weekly basis. We are taking part in full and active programmes and all our

young members have the opportunity in gaining lots of badges and the top in awards in their sections.

Due to an incident the Scout Association is changing some of the safety and safeguarding rules, this means that all activities and programmes need to be risk assessed, this adds extra pressure for our Leaders when running weekly meetings and outdoor activities.

The Group is very proud of all our Leaders, who work tirelessly to give our members a varied programme and lots of extra activities, and we would like to say a very big thank you to you all. I think it is also important to remind everyone that our adult members are all volunteers.

D.2 Membership numbers

Numbers in the group have increased over the past year,

Young People				
Section		Time	2022-2023	2023-2024
Squirrels	Wildbird	Thursday 17:00		16
Beavers	Forest	Wednesday 17:30	30	34
	Great Oak	Monday 17:15	25	23
Cubs	Bostock	Friday 18:30	25	32
	Rogers	Monday 18:45	34	33
Scouts	Thor	Thursday 19:00	45	37
Total			159	175
Leaders				
Total			31	34

D.3 Group fund raising

Fundraising is critical to our ability to provide activities for our members.

Last year we raised £2407.26 at the Thatcham Fun Day BBQ - June 2023

Including the End of Term BBQ

Thatcham Funday was really our only source of fundraising along side grant applications for major undertakings

E. Financial Review

The annual accounts for 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group are attached. They have been prepared by Jyoti Parmar - Group Treasurer and approved by the Executive Committee. An audit has been carried out by our Independent Examiner, Marc Alderman. We will need a new independent Examiner for FY2024-2025 as Marc is stepping down.

The group's principle source of funds is from member's subscriptions, fundraising activities and gift aid with some additional income from rent and other minor sources.

The Subscriptions remains as per previous financial year for amount of £37.50 per term. We have been able to collect the majority of our termly subscriptions via the GoCardless online system and we are grateful for your full co-operation. Kind reminder

for all parents to sign up to the gift aid scheme as it will enable us to collect the data and upload them on HMRC.

The fundraising total of £2,407.26 helps us to maintain the hut and provide new equipment when required. We appreciate for your spare time given to the 2nd Thatcham Scouts during the Fundraising Events and various activities when needed by the Leaders.

The Group account shows a balance of (£6,443.99) at the end of this financial year. This year's Group running costs is at £10,180 which decreased from previous year. The running costs of the Hut such as Heat & Power, Insurance, HQ Maintenance, Fire risk assessment and various yearly Hut maintenance incl. hut cleaning) SEE have given us Business Support Funds with our electric bill and it has impacted on our costs for this year. The electric charges will resume in FY2024/2025. We bought various small item for our Scout usage (New sets of Knives, Event shelter for camping) and new sets of blinds for the Hut.

We have been keeping separate funds accounts for capitation costs (money we pay for each child to the District every year), a hardship fund and a HQ maintenance fund for a few years. The separation of those accounts ensures better management of group accounts.

We now run a budget system on the individual troop accounts where each section receives an amount per child at the end of a term determined on the number of subscriptions paid. This also enables us to keep a third towards group costs and a third towards capitation costs.

This new system ensures that all group costs are covered and that we are not spending more than our income, ensuring the financial stability of 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group.

It is extremely hard for us to manage event budgets when people cancel at the last minute. For this reason, we need to re-iterate that by paying a deposit you have confirmed your child to attend. As such, 2nd Scouts will commit funds progressively as the trip is organised. Please note that if you decide to cancel your child's attendance, there may be additional costs to pay, over and above the deposit. The closer to the date of the event the higher the additional costs are likely to be.

E.1 Reserves policy

The Group's policy is to hold sufficient financial reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short and also to deal with any exceptional expenses.

Operating expenses at 2nd Thatcham Scout group were approximately £10,000 in the last financial year not including the District fees. The Scouts Association Account is now closed and the money (£10,261.63) has been transferred to our BIA account which the executive committee believes to be a suitable sum to hold as a reserve.

F. Plans for future period and other information

As mentioned above we have transitioned from an Executive Committee to a Trustee board this year, in line with Scouting guidance. For the most part, the Trustee Board will continue to operate as before, guidance suggested that these new Trustee Boards should be smaller than many Groups were operating and not include all section leaders, 2nd Thatcham were already operating like this. Over the coming year we will change the way the Chair, Treasurer and Board Members are elected and following guidance we will no longer have our Group Secretary as a board member.

This is a good time to thank our Group Secretary Alli Pritchard who is stepping down after 5 years on our executive committee, the support Alli has given us over these years has been invaluable. Due to life commitments Alli had to choose between Trustee board or working with our young people and made the decision to focus on being a lead volunteer for one of our Beaver sections, for which we are very grateful.

Next AGM (2025) we will implement open elections for Treasurer and Chair, but have decided this year not to do so to minimize disruption, at the 2024 AGM we will re-appoint our existing Chair and Treasurer for a further 1 year provided there are no objections from the members during the 2024 AGM. We have advised all our members on the AGM invite that we will be holding elections for 4 Trustees during the 2024 AGM and we welcome anyone who is willing to support us in providing a safe space for young people to grow.

We would welcome new trustees if anyone would like to volunteer to support us in our governance tasks, these volunteers can be elected at the AGM or co-opted by the existing trustees at any time during the year.

Going forward the Trustee Board will consist of. The elected Chair and Treasurer, the Group Lead Volunteer as an Ex-Officio member, up to additional 4 elected members and up to 4 co-opted members.

The lease for the scout hut is still not signed, but very close, the delay in signing is purely down to all the people involved being volunteers and real world commitments making negotiations a little slow on both sides. The relationship with our landlord is still very good and we hope to conclude the signing of the lease this summer.

Once the lease is signed, we will have tenure for a further 20 years at least and still plan to swing into action with our further refurbishment plans:

- Sound proofing is the first task, this could cost up to £5000, but should have little to no impact on scouting other than giving us a much more pleasant environment to work in, especially in the younger (mor high pitched sections).
- The toilets are in desperate need of overhaul and we have budgeted over £20,000 worth of work on all 3 toilets, thanks in a major part of the fund raising efforts of one of our trustees – more to follow below.
- The lease itself will require up to £5,000 of legal fees, this is however a small price to pay for 20 years of security.
- The remaining cash will be left aside for contingency if for instance a new boiler is needed as part of the toilet rebuild.

As discussed in last years report, the new lease will increase our rent from £1,200 to £3,000 (a £500 reduction from expectations last year.) We have also been given a gradual increase to this new amount to ease any growing pains.

While this threefold increase in rent seems significant, rent is by no means our biggest expense, in fact it ranks 4 or 5 on the list, as such we are not alarmed or concerned by the increase. However, over the coming years we will undoubtedly have to increase Subscriptions to account for this.

We still have not increased our subscription price, holding it the same now as it was 5 years ago !

Current county average subscriptions are around £50, it is our intention to implement small increases year on year over the next 5 years.

The resulting subscription fee will depend heavily on the involvement of parents in fundraising activities over the coming years.

We do still need help.

Volunteer leaders would be always welcome and scouting is an exceptionally rewarding way to get into volunteering

The one area we are lacking is roles to support of the Trustees, these roles would not be formal trustee members with the legal governance responsibilities, but more informal support such as:

- Fundraising activities
 - This does not need to be public “tin rattling” like bag packing and the Henwick Fun Day, but should be online work searching and applying for local and national sources of funding such as Greenham Common Trust etc.

It is important at this point to mention one of our Trustees - Ben Tichband who has applied for several grants this year for hut improvements and has been successful in securing over £8,000 in funding so far. This is an exceptional effort and we hope Ben can continue this task going forward but we would welcome the support.

- Day to day Scout hut operations

The hut is a fantastic resource, but maintaining it is time consuming. We pay for most of our maintenance services such as cleaning, plumbing, garden maintenance and monthly health checks etc, this is not an issue and we have budgeted accordingly

- We are in need of someone to manage the hut for us, this is not a fixing role, as mentioned above we have budget for this. What we need is someone to keep track of services, oil, electric, plumbing, boiler servicing, fire extinguisher checks etc. This could be done almost entirely remotely with an occasional visit to the hut.
- We also need to routinely let services and trades on to site for repairs, pest control, oil tank refill etc..It would be very helpful to have a few extra key holders to take some pressure off the trustees – this could be existing key holder (leaders) who may be free during the day?

G. Declaration

Agreed by the charity's trustees at the 2nd Thatcham Group Executive Committee meeting held on 20th July 2024 and signed on their behalf

Dan Danskin, Chairperson
20/07/2024

Jyoti Parmar, Treasurer
20/07/2024

GROUP ACCOUNT

INCOME

**FUNDRAISING	£4,515.76
SUBS TO GROUP	£16,950.50
JOINING FEES	£172.66
Group	£84.50
IST THATCHAM GUIDES	£450.00
3RD THATCHAM BROWNIES	£450.00
CIRCUS	£881.00
MOORS VALLEY BEAVERS & CUBS	£1,700.00
ARCHERY	£503.00
HIRINGS	£0.00
GIFT AID	£0.00
Group Spring Camp	£1,600.00
WINGS 2020	£0.00
4 Kingdoms	£570.00
DONATIONS	£184.50
Grants	£0.00
Interest	£383.14

*MISC	£0.00
Transfer to Petty Cash	£69,521.56
Transfer from HQ Maintenance	
Transfer from Capitation	£7,825.50

TOTAL £105,792.12

TOTAL INCOME
TOTAL EXPENDITURE
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024

Balance bought forward from 2022-2023

EXPENDITURE

**FUNDRAISING	£2,108.50
Subs - Transfers to sections	£12,754.50
EQUIPMENT & STORES	£776.23
UNIFORM / HIGH VIS	£149.00
***GROUP EXPENSES	£3,810.95
GRUNDON	£602.45
DISTRICT FEES	£9,060.00
HQ MAINTENANCE	£2,490.92
Group Spring Camp	£1,894.85
WING 2020	£0.00
4 Kingdoms	£570.00
RATES	£70.94
RENT	£284.44
INSURANCE	£493.61
WATER	£0.00
OIL	£996.07
LEGAL FEE	£0.00
ELECTRIC	£111.37
TRAINING	£0.00
CLEANING	£1,188.38
PHOTOCOPIER	£497.51
OSM CHARGES	£1,378.31
CIRCUS	£1,183.00
MOORS VALLEY BEAVERS & CUBS	£2,060.00
ARCHERY	£233.52
*MISC	£0.00

Transfer to Petty Cash	£69,521.56
Transfer to HQ Maintenance	£0.00

TOTAL £112,236.11

£105,792.12
£112,236.11
 -£6,443.99

-£6,443.99

£19,930.64

£13,486.65

SCOUT ACCOUNTS

SCOUT ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£4,924.64
Subscriptions	£1,026.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
Uniform	£0.00
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£207.00
PACCAR FREEZER CAMP	£2,340.00
Scouts-District Rifles 2023	£44.00

Total Income **£3,617.00**

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£207.23
BADGES	£249.24
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£269.00
PACCAR FREEZER CAMP	£2,433.03
Scouts-District Rifles 2023	£0.00

Total Expenditure **£3,158.50**

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£5,383.14**

CUB ACCOUNTS

CUB ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£2,186.51
SUBS	£1,656.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
uniform	£0.00
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£130.00
Climbing Cub Rogers Pack	£432.00
DISTRICT XMAS @ 4 KINGDOM	£830.16
YOULBURY CAMP	£2,200.00
Bostock - JOTI/JOTA Camp 2023	£600.00
Cub camp at Thirtiver pl. MAY23	£1,260.00
XMAS DINNER BOSOTCK	£77.14
Total Income	£7,185.30

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£617.33
BADGES	£849.82
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£222.93
Climbing Cub Rogers Pack	£432.00
DISTRICT XMAS @ 4 KINGDOM	£830.16
YOULBURY CAMP	£866.10
Bostock - JOTI/JOTA Camp 2023	£290.78
Cub camp at Thirtiver pl. MAY23	£527.10
XMAS DINNER BOSOTCK	<u>£77.14</u>
Total Expenditure	£4,713.36

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024

£4,658.45

BEAVERS ACCOUNTS

BEAVER ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£3,144.97
SUBS	£1,377.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
Uniform	£0.00
Fur & Feathers (Birds of Prey	£120.00
Teddy Bear Picnic	£288.00
CHRISTMAS SLEEPOVER	£460.00
BEAVERS XMAS PARTY	£301.00
CAMP FEST - BEAVERS GO	£210.00
District Beaver Sleepover – Winchester Science Centre	£0.00
Climbing Beavers Forest	£0.00
Misc	

Total Income **£2,756.00**

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£1,413.78
BADGES	£739.77
Fur & Feathers (Birds of Prey	£143.67
Teddy Bear Picnic	£304.00
CHRISTMAS SLEEPOVER	£381.69
BEAVERS XMAS PARTY	£315.00
CAMP FEST - BEAVERS GO	£136.39
District Beaver Sleepover – Winchester Science Centre	£1,938.00
Climbing Beavers Forest	£0.00

Total Expenditure **£5,372.30**

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£528.67**

HQ MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Total Income	£2,521.06
Less expenditure	£3,740.45
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	-£1,219.39
Balance in hand 1/4/2023	£2,358.33

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£1,138.94**

JERSEY CAMP ACCOUNT**INCOME**

Balance in hand 1/4/2023	£10,584.19
Income	£6,399.25

Fundraising	£366.28
Total income	<u>£17,349.72</u>

Expenditure	£16,235.15
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ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£1,114.57**

HARDSHIP FUND ACCOUNT

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2023	£864.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£864.00**

CAPITATION ACCOUNT

Total Income	£8,343.50
Less expenditure	£7,825.50
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£518.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2023	£8,888.30

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2024 **£9,406.30**

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Agenda

Annual General Meeting,

Saturday 8th July 2023

2nd Thatcham Scout Hut (Memorial Field)

5.30pm

Agenda

1. Welcome & Apologies
2. Approval of 2021 22 AGM Minutes
3. Trustee's Annual Report for 2022-23
4. Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2022-23
5. Approval of the Trustee's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2022-23
6. Approval of the Group Scout Leader's nomination of the Group Chair for 2023-24
7. Election of Group Executive Officers for 2023-24

Group Secretary
Group Treasurer

8. Election of Members to the Group Executive for 2023-24
9. Appointment of Independent Examiner for 2023-24
10. 2nd Thatcham Scouts Annual Review



AGM Minutes – 9 July 2022

Present

Bird Family (4)	S Thompson	Danskin Family (4)
V Caws	J Parmar	A Pritchard
C Coopey	J Barton	Doe Family (4)
B Oakman	T Bareham	P Frost
Hunter Family (3)	Clark Family (5)	Marks Family (6)
De Croos Family (3)	Rycroft Family (4)	Lissenden Family (2)
Scott Family (3)	Maltby Family (3)	Haines Family (3)
T Glue	Taylor Family (4)	Hamilton Family (4)
Tichband Family (3)	Burton Family (3)	Crocker Family (3)
Lucy +1	Tony +1	

Apologies from:

Stuart Bird

Jim Payen

Minutes

Dan Danskin: Welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming, good to see everyone in the Hut for the first time in three years

Minutes of the last AGM (22/06/2021) were approved by D Danskin and 2nd G Bird

Trustees Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2021-2022, were circulated by email before the meeting. We are showing a large cash surplus due to our plans following completion of the new lease. The plans for the money are not in the report as we are not sure when the lease will be signed but the money has been reserved for: toilet refurbishment, sound dulling to help out young people in the Hut as it gets very loud, repairs to or replacement of the boiler and giving us a head start on paying for the new lease

The Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2021-2022 were talked through by J Parmar, approved by C Coopey and 2nd by T Bareham

Parents were reminded to sign up for Gift Aid as it helps the Group out and keeps subs down

Questions following the accounts report – How much of the subs money stays here (with Group) does any go somewhere else?

Part of the subs money stays here part goes away to District, County and then HQ
 Approx. 2/3rd stays with the Group to cover running costs i.e. utilities, badges, materials etc.. 1/3rd goes to cover the running costs of the District, County and HQ and pays for things like insurance and OSM etc..

Meeting handed to the GSL

C Coopey: 1st full year as the proper GSL, its been a great year and so good to be properly back to face to face scouting. D Danskin has done a great job over the last year so propose him to continue as Chair. 2nd by S Thompson

Nominations and Elections for 2022-2023

Dan Danskin nominated by GSL and elected as Group Chair

Jyoti Parmar continues as Group Treasurer

Allison Pritchard continues as Group Secretary.

Nigel Doe continues as Quartermaster

All the above were thanked for their hard work and support over the last year

The following parent reps were elected;

Ben Tichband – Forest Beavers

TBC – Great Oak Beavers

TBC – Rogers Cubs

TBC – Bostock Cubs

Rob Rugman – Thor Scouts

We only have 2 parent reps so are looking for more to take the pressure of the Leaders. This is the parent's opportunity to influence the way the Group is run and it would be lovely to have more parent involvement and a new perspective

Mark Alderman was appointed as the Independent Examiner

2nd Thatcham Scouts Overview

It's been an interesting year and exciting year, coming out of lockdown only meeting outside in smaller groups to begin with, lots of activities had to be cancelled but we have managed to get back to normal scouting over the year and all the young people have had the opportunity to go for a night away.

It's been an interesting challenge, but we have come out positive, numbers are growing, we have retained our leaders, the works done to the building look great and we are looking forward to next year with camps already booked.

District Commissioner

Our new DC, Trevor Glue was introduced and handed out Group awards to our young people and service awards to leaders.

He also presented Sam Bird his Young Leader Belt,

Farren Hamilton her District Beaver of the Year award

Max Danskin his District Scout of the Year Award

And the Wood Badge to James Clark

Chairperson

D Danskin thanked everyone for coming, with special thanks to all the parents who helped at the Funday BBQ where we made approx. £3000, which will be in next years accounts.

A huge thank you to all the Leaders who are such great role models and have all been incredible

Many Thanks

Awards

Beavers –

Great Oak	-	Leaders Beaver of the Year	Riley Marks
		Beavers Beaver of the Year	Farren Hamilton

Forest

-	Leaders Beaver of the Year	Teddy Allesford
	Beavers Beaver of the Year	Oscar Scarsfield

Cubs –

Rogers	-	Leaders Cub of the Year	Maliki Stevens
		Cubs Cub of the Year	Jonathan Roberts

Bostock

-	Leaders Cub of the Year	Alfie Kirke
	Cubs Cub of the Year	Elizabeth Wilson

Scouts –

Thor	-	Leaders Scout of the Year	Charlie Miklos-Denton
		Scouts Scout of the Year	Jack Maltby

Leaders Service Awards

5 Years	-	Nigel Doe
		Zoe Scott
		Max Ives



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This Method is delivered mainly at Group level, through a weekly training programme and regular camps and activities for each age group (or “Section”). The Group supports this delivery mainly by providing programme advice and guidance for Section leaders; together with management advice and guidance for Group Scout Leaders and Group administrators.

The Group also provides camps, activities and fundraising opportunities for all members of the 2nd Thatcham Scout's and contributes to the district activities.

D. Achievements and performance

D.1 Activities

2nd Thatcham Scout Group seems to go from strength to strength, this year we have gained in both young members and adult Leaders and we also have six Young Leaders who support the sections on a weekly basis. We are taking part in full and active programmes after our return to normality after covid.

All sections are working towards lots of badges and a wide range of programme activities including Scouting skills, hikes, visiting fire stations, and having lots of adventures in the local area. We have had the opportunities to take part in District activities. All our members have had the chance to take part in nights away. We held a

very successful Group camp at Rushall Farm in May with most of our members taking part.

The Group is very proud of all our Leaders, who work tirelessly to give our members a varied programme and lots of extra activities, and we would like to say a very big thank you to you all. I think it is also important to remind everyone that our adult members are all volunteers.

D.2 Membership numbers

Numbers in the group have increased over the past year,

Young People				
Section		Time	2021-2022	2022-2023
Beavers	Forest	Wednesday 17:30	30	30
	Great Oak	Monday 17:00	22	25
Cubs	Bostock	Friday 18:30	20	25
	Rogers	Monday 18:45	31	34
Scouts	Thor	Thursday 19:00	40	45
Total			143	159
Leaders				
Total			24	31

D.3 Group fund raising

Fundraising is critical to our ability to provide activities for our members.

Last year we raised £3,001.44 at the Thatcham Fun Day BBQ - June 2022 including the end of term BBQ.

Our Funday funds has slightly increased from previous year, which was £2,315.13 in 2021.

Thatcham Funday is currently our only source of fundraising alongside grant applications for major undertakings

E. Financial Review

The annual accounts for 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group are attached. They have been prepared by Jyoti Parmar - Group Treasurer and approved by the Executive Committee. An audit will be carried out by our Independent Examiner, Marc Alderman.

The group's principle source of funds is from member's subscriptions, fundraising activities and gift aid with some additional income from rent and other minor sources.

The Subscriptions gas remains the same since last few year for the amount of £37.50 per term. We have been able to collect the majority of our termly subscriptions via the GoCardless online system and we are grateful for your full co-operation. Kind reminder for all parents to sign up to the gift aid scheme on OSM which then enable me to download the gift aid to upload on HMRC.

The fundraising total of £3,001.44 helps us to maintain the hut or purchase new door and provide new equipment when required. We appreciate for your spare time given to the 2nd Thatcham Scouts during the Fundraising Events and various activities when needed by the Leaders.

The Group account shows a balance of (£7,884.55) at the end of this financial year and it's changed as this FY no grants were provided from Government as we now on post Covid. This year's Group running costs is at £14,700 which increased from previous year due to running costs of the Hut such as Heat & Power, Insurance HQ Maintenance (Deep cleaning, Fire risk assessment and various yearly Hut maintenance) & Hut cleaning costs increased as the service were provided by external cleaning lady. As Smart Meter been installed we are currently in credit with Electricity since we are getting accurate readings for our usage.

We have been keeping separate funds accounts for capitation costs (money we pay for each child to the District every year), a hardship fund and a HQ maintenance fund for a few years. The separation of those accounts ensures better management of group accounts.

We now run a budget system on the individual troop accounts where each section receives an amount per child at the end of a term determined on the number of subscriptions paid. This also enables us to keep a third towards group costs and a third towards capitation costs.

This new system ensures that all group costs are covered and that we are not spending more than our income, ensuring the financial stability of 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group.

It is extremely hard for us to manage event budgets when people cancel at the last minute. For this reason, we need to re-iterate that by paying a deposit you have confirmed your child to attend. As such, 2nd Scouts will commit funds progressively as the trip is organised. Please note that if you decide to cancel your child's attendance, there may be additional costs to pay, over and above the deposit. The closer to the date of the event the higher the additional costs are likely to be.

E.1 Reserves policy

The Group's policy is to hold sufficient financial reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short and also to deal with any exceptional expenses.

Operating expenses at 2nd Thatcham Scout group were approximately £10,000 in the last financial year not including the District fees. The group currently holds £10,124.24 in the Scouts Association Account, which the executive committee believes to be a suitable sum to hold as a reserve.

F. Plans for future period and other information

2022-23 was a great year for young people in 2nd Thatcham which is our main priority, but unfortunately as an executive committee it was a bit of a hiatus.

The new lease has taken much longer to bring into force than anyone could have planned, this is through no one person or entities fault, just a fact of life when dealing with several volunteer led charities. However, we are very close to bringing the new lease into force and hope to have this signed in the next few months.

Once the lease is signed, we will have tenure for a further 20 years at least and will be able to swing into action with our further refurbishment plans:

- Sound proofing is the first task, this could cost up to £5000, but should have little to no impact on scouting other than giving us a much more pleasant environment to work in
- The toilets are in desperate need of overhaul and we have budgeted for £15,000 worth of work on all 3 toilets
- The lease itself will require up to £5,000 of legal fees, this is however a small price to pay for 20 years of security.
- The remaining cash will be left aside for contingency if for instance a new boiler is needed as part of the toilet rebuild.

As discussed in last years report, the new lease will increase our rent from £1,200 to £3,000 (a £500 reduction from expectations last year.) We have also been given a gradual increase to this new amount to ease any growing pains.

While this threefold increase in rent seems significant, rent is by no means our biggest expense, in fact it ranks 4 or 5 on the list, as such we are not alarmed or concerned by the increase. However, over the coming years we will undoubtedly have to increase Subscriptions to account for this.

Current county average subscriptions are around £50, it is our intention to implement small increases year on year over the next 5 years.

The resulting subscription fee will depend heavily on the involvement of parents in fundraising activities over the coming years.

2023 will see us moving from an "Executive Committee" to a "Trustee Board" this should have no impact on our young people and hopefully very little impact on our leaders. A trustee Board is essentially a slimming down of the Executive Committee to focus on mainly governance issues for the group, many scout groups have had each section leader on the committee and have been focusing on day to day operational issues this is not necessary as a trustee board.

As it happens, this should have very little impact on the 2nd Thatcham as we have been operating in this manner for several years now. Our day to day operational work is expertly taken care of by our Section Leaders and Group Scout Leader, the Trustee Board, comprised of 2 leaders, our Group Scout Leader, 3 parents and our Treasurer, now focuses mainly on governance.

We do still need help.

Volunteer leaders would be always welcome and scouting is an exceptionally rewarding way to get into volunteering.

We would welcome new trustees if anyone would like to volunteer to support us in our governance tasks, but this is not essential.

The one area we are lacking is roles to support of the Trustees, these roles would not be formal trustee members with the legal governance responsibilities, but more

informal support such as:

- Fundraising activities
 - This does not need to be public “tin rattling” like bag packing and the Henwick Fun Day, but could be online work searching and applying for local and national sources of funding such as Greenham Common Trust etc.
- Day to day Scout hut operations

The hut is a fantastic resource, but maintaining it is time consuming. We pay for most of our maintenance services such as cleaning, plumbing, garden maintenance and monthly health checks etc, this is not an issue and we have budgeted accordingly

- We are in need of someone to manage the hut for us, this is not a fixing role, as mentioned above we have budget for this. What we need is someone to keep track of services, oil, electric, plumbing, boiler servicing, fire extinguisher checks etc. This could be done almost entirely remotely with an occasional visit to the hut.
- We also need to routinely let services and trades on to site for repairs, pest control, oil tank refill etc..It would be very helpful to have a few extra key holders to take some pressure off the trustees – this could be existing key holder (leaders) who may be free during the day?

G. Declaration

Agreed by the charity’s trustees at the 2nd Thatcham Group Executive Committee meeting held on 5th July 2023 and signed on their behalf

Dan Danskin, Chairperson
05/07/2023

Jyoti Parmar, Treasurer
05/07/2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 2nd Thatcham Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 2nd Thatcham Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2023

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of 2nd Thatcham Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the 2nd Thatcham Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.


Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:



Name: Marc Alderman

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): N/A

Address: 50 Grenadier Gardens Thatcham RG19 4PN


Date: 17/10/23

2nd THATCHAM SCOUT GROUP
Registered Charity No 279878

BALANCE SHEET 2022/2023

<u>Balance in hand 1st Apr 2022</u>		<u>Balance in hand</u>	
Group Account	27815.19	Group Account	19930.64
Scouts Account	3586.11	Scouts Account	4924.64
Cub Account	3086.48	Cub Account	2186.51
Beavers Account	354.67	Beavers Account	3144.97
Scout Jersey Camp	2513.34	Scout Jersey Camp	10584.19
Long Term Investment	10096.02	Long Term Investment	10124.24
Hardship Fund	864.00	Hardship Fund	864.00
HQ Maintenance Fund	2358.33	HQ Maintenance Fund	2358.33
Capitation Fund	9612.00	Capitation Fund	8888.30
TOTAL	60286.14	TOTAL	63005.82
Cash	0.00	Cash	131.00
Lloyds Bank	14386.71	Lloyds Bank	17021.62
Lloyds Bank - Savings	33457.92	Lloyds Bank - Savings	33521.19
Prepayment Card	2345.49	Prepayment Card	2207.77
Scout Assn Account	<u>10096.02</u>	Scout Assn Account	<u>10124.24</u>
	60286.14		63005.82


I certify that these accounts represent a true indication of the financial position according to the documents supplied to me, and that the Rules of The Scout Association and the requirements of The Charity Acts concerning finance have been followed.

Signed 
 (INDEPENDENT EXAMINER)

Date 18/12/23

Signed 
 (CHAIRMAN)

Date 21st Nov 2023

Signed 
 (TREASURER)

Date 18.12.2023

SCOUT ACCOUNTS

SCOUT ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£3,586.11
Subscriptions	£1,026.00
ACTIVITIES	£69.50
Uniform	£0.00
Team Leader Camp II	£60.00
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£176.00
Mindhead Jamboree	£6,182.50
Scouts - PL,APL Camp	£405.00
Scouts-Bowling & Camping	£280.00
Scouts - Memorial & Halloween camp	£218.67
PACCAR FREEZER CAMP	£1,875.00
Scouts-District Rifles 2023	£84.00

Total Income **£10,376.67**

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£623.87
BADGES	£39.69
Team Leader Camp II	£0.00
DRAGON BOAT REGGATTA	£160.00
Mindhead Jamboree	£5,582.50
Scouts - PL,APL Camp	£405.00
Scouts-Bowling & Camping	£122.62
Scouts - Memorial & Halloween camp	£111.41
PACCAR FREEZER CAMP	£1,993.05
Scouts-District Rifles 2023	£0.00

Total Expenditure **£9,038.14**

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023

£4,924.64

CUB ACCOUNTS

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INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£3,086.48
SUBS	£1,260.00
ACTIVITIES	£12.70
uniform	£0.00
Paddle boarding	£506.00
Winter Camp 2022 II - Cub Bostock	£0.00
CIRCUS	£147.00
Cub 22 - Rogers	£855.00
Bostock - JOTI/JOTA Camp 2022	£130.00
Cub camp at Thirtiver pl. MAY23	£0.00
Total Income	£2,910.70

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£1,139.68
BADGES	£753.56
Paddle boarding	£506.00
Winter Camp 2022 II - Cub Bostock	£464.56
CIRCUS	£147.00
Cub 22 - Rogers	£666.51
Bostock - JOTI/JOTA Camp 2022	£83.36
Cub camp at Thirtiver pl. MAY23	£50.00
Total Expenditure	£3,810.67

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023

£2,186.51

BEAVERS ACCOUNTS

BEAVER ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2022/2023	£354.67
SUBS	£1,521.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
Uniform	£0.00
Watersport day District	£740.00
Thirtover Place sleepover	£0.00
TOP SECRET SPY	£765.00
RAF Hendon	£820.00
Wild Wild West	£50.00
Newbury Museum Sleepover - GO	£367.00
District Beaver Sleepover – Winchester Science Centre	£1,884.00
Climbing Beavers Forest	£220.00
Misc	

Total Income **£6,367.00**

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£740.40
BADGES	£1,208.25
Watersport day District	£0.00
Thirtover Place sleepover	£100.00
TOP SECRET SPY	£0.00
RAF Hendon	£680.00
Wild Wild West	£50.00
Newbury Museum Sleepover - GO	£349.05
District Beaver Sleepover – Winchester Science Centre	£35.00
Climbing Beavers Forest	£414.00

Total Expenditure **£3,576.70**

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023 **£3,144.97**

HQ MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2022	£2,358.33

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023**£2,358.33****JERSEY CAMP ACCOUNT****INCOME**

Balance in hand 1/4/2022	£2,513.34
Income	£8,100.00

Fundraising	£775.00
Total income	<u>£11,388.34</u>

Expenditure	£804.15
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ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023**£10,584.19****HARDSHIP FUND ACCOUNT**

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2022	£864.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023**£864.00****CAPITATION ACCOUNT**

Total Income	£7,825.50
Less expenditure	£8,549.20
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	-£723.70
Balance in hand 1/4/2022	£9,612.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2023**£8,888.30**

2ND THATCHAM (GREENHAM COURT) SCOUT GROUP

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Accounts



Agenda

Annual General Meeting,

Saturday 9th July 2022

2nd Thatcham Scout Hut (Memorial Field)

5.30pm

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1. Welcome & Apologies
2. Approval of 2020 21 AGM Minutes
3. Trustee's Annual Report for 2021-22
4. Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2021-22
5. Approval of the Trustee's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2021-22
6. Approval of the Group Scout Leader's nomination of the Group Chair for 2022-23
7. Election of Group Executive Officers for 2022-23

Group Secretary
Group Treasurer

8. Election of Members to the Group Executive for 2022-23
9. Appointment of Independent Examiner for 2022-23
10. 2nd Thatcham Scouts Annual Review



AGM Minutes – 22 June 2021 Zoom Meeting

Present

D Danskin	B Tichband	N Doe
A Hunter	T Bareham	A Pritchard
S Bird	G Bird	C Coopey
A Cole	J Parmar	L Field
J Payen	R Rugman	L Danskin
P Frost	L Burton	A Norman
B Oakman	K Parkington	F Stroud

Apologies from:

Awards

No awards were given out this year as the AGM was via Zoom

Minutes

A Cole: Welcomed everyone and thanked them for joining in. Following an unprecedented year we are getting back to face 2 face scouting, thanked all leaders and helpers for an amazing job over lockdown

Minutes of the last AGM (03/11/2020) were distributed via email and approved by a show of hands

Trustees Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2020-2021, were circulated by email and approved by a show of hands

The Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2020-2021 were talked through and approved.

C Coopey: Amanda Cole has been involved on the Exec for over 8 years as both secretary and Chair. Over the last year she has taken a step back and Dan Danskin has taken over the role. Thanked AC for everything she has done for the Group

Nominations and Elections for 2021-2022

Dan Danskin nominated by GSL and elected as Group Chair

Jyoti Parmar continues as Group Treasurer

Allison Pritchard continues as Group Secretary.

Nigel Doe continues as Quartermaster

All the above were thanked for their hard work and support over the last year

The following parent reps were elected;

Ben Tichband – Forest Beavers

TBC – Great Oak Beavers

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We have vacancies for Parent Reps if anybody wants to join us please let us know

Mark Alderman was appointed as the Independent Examiner

2nd Thatcham Scouts Overview

It's been an interesting year, most of it on Zoom, we are looking forward to getting back to face 2 face meetings or a blended programme depending on restrictions.

Over zoom lots of badges have been completed including County badges and badges at home. Parents have appreciated the activities and camps at home we have organised.

During the October half term, we had more than 100 children with siblings and families all involved in our Circus camp with a great camaraderie.

We are looking forward to getting back to proper camping, but rules are strict at the moment.

GSL thanked everyone for the support given to the Group in whatever way.

District Commissioner

Julia Payen commented that it was great to see all that 2nd have achieved over lockdown. Zoom has been hard for everyone, but some excellent activities have been organised.

Julia is stepping down as DC, this will be her last AGM, 2nd Thatcham is a great Group and is where she started with the Beavers.

Chairperson

Dan Danskin advised that he had been to the District AGM and numbers especially Beaver numbers are down. Our numbers are up, leaders have stayed during lockdown and zoom has been great, as a parent he thanked all involved with keeping things going. He then thanked all involved in the Hut refurbishment with Ashley and Nigel putting in a lot of time and Lynne putting in place all the paperwork. The Colourful Caterpillar Nursery is now in place and we can reinvest their rent money back into scouting

Many Thanks

Thanks to all the leaders, helpers, parents and young people.

C Coopey announced that the Exec committee has brought all the Leaders a camp mug to say thank you for their efforts over the difficult lockdown period

D Danskin Thanked Amanda for all her years of service

Next years AGM – date to be confirmed



Trustee's Annual Report For the period from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022

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D. Achievements and performance

D.1 Activities

As a Group we started to meet completely face to face with all our Young People in each section at one time at the start of the Summer Term in 2021. This was a huge relief for the Leadership Teams and for our members. We all spent most of that term outside running a variety of activities Although we carried on meeting face to face in the Autumn term, due to the covid numbers still being high we had to cancel several activities bot Group and District level and nigh away which meant we could not run sleepovers and camps.

Rogers managed to get away in September, Thor went to Freezer camp in February and Forest and Great Oak had a sleepover in the beginning of March. Bostock had to cancel a camp due to stormy weather and have moved it to Easter. Moving forward throughout

2022 we have managed to run our weekly meetings and events without any issues. All our Young People will have the opportunity to take part in at least one night away and we are all looking forward to our Group Camp in May. Next year we will have many more activities and camps to talk about.

The Group are very proud of all of our Leaders, who took on a huge challenge in March 2020 and the way they have continued to work for the young people, and we all say a very big thank you to you all.

D.2 Membership numbers

Numbers in the group have increased over the past year,

Young People				
Section		Time	2020-2021	2021-2022
Beavers	Forest	Wednesday 17:30	24	30
	Great Oak	Monday 17:00	21	22
Cubs	Bostock	Friday 18:30	21	20
	Rogers	Monday 18:45	38	31
Scouts	Thor	Thursday 19:00	33	40
Total			137	143
Leaders				
Total			24	24

D.3 Group fund raising

Fundraising is critical to our ability to provide activities for our members.

Last year we raised £2,315.13 at the Thatcham Fun Day BBQ - June 2021

Other fund raising activities such as End of Term BBQ and bag packing could not take place due to covid.

This amount is therefore down significantly from pre-covid levels of £3838 in 2019.

Thatcham Funday is currently our only source of fundraising along side grant applications for major undertakings

E. Financial Review

The annual accounts for 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group are attached. They have been prepared by Jyoti Parmar - Group Treasurer and approved by the Executive Committee. An audit has been carried out by our Independent Examiner, Marc Alderman.

The group's principle source of funds is from member's subscriptions, fundraising activities and gift aid with some additional income from rent and other minor sources.

. The Subscriptions have returned to the pre-covid amount of £37.50 per term. We have been able to collect the majority of our termly subscriptions via the GoCardless online system and we are grateful for your full co-operation. Kind reminder for all parents to sign up to the gift aid scheme and to put it in the picture, we have received £4,935.16 in gift aid this financial year.

The fundraising total of £2,306,35 helps us to maintain the hut and provide new equipment when required. We appreciate for your spare time given to the 2nd Thatcham Scouts during the Fundraising Events and various activities when needed by the Leaders.

Sadly, our tenant, The Colourful Caterpillar Pre-School had to close due to diminishing numbers, their contribution to our income will be missed. The Executive Committee is working with our landlords to find new tenants.

We also said goodbye to one of our Brownies troops who moved to 1st Thatcham in order to be closer to their Guide troop.

The Group account shows a balance of £18,274.99 at the end of this financial year. This year's Group running costs is at £14,800 which increased from previous year due to running costs of the Hut such as Heat & Power, Insurance HQ Maintenance (Deep cleaning, Fire risk assessment and various yearly Hut maintenance) Electric bill for the Hut has increased from previous year but will hopefully decrease as a Smart Meter will be installed for accurate readings. We bought two brand new tents for the 2nd Thatcham Scouts member to utilise when camping.

We have been keeping separate funds accounts for capitation costs (money we pay for each child to the District every year), a hardship fund and a HQ maintenance fund for a few years. The separation of those accounts ensures better management of group accounts.

We now run a budget system on the individual troop accounts where each section receives an amount per child at the end of a term determined on the number of subscriptions paid. This also enables us to keep a third towards group costs and a third towards capitation costs.

This new system ensures that all group costs are covered and that we are not spending more than our income, ensuring the financial stability of 2nd Thatcham Scouts Group.

It is extremely hard for us to manage event budgets when people cancel at the last minute. For this reason, we need to re-iterate that by paying a deposit you have confirmed your child to attend. As such, 2nd Scouts will commit funds progressively as the trip is organised. Please note that if you decide to cancel your child's attendance, there may be additional costs to pay, over and above the deposit. The closer to the date of the event the higher the additional costs are likely to be.

E.1 Reserves policy

The Group's policy is to hold sufficient financial reserves to continue the charitable activities of the Group should income and fundraising activities fall short and also to deal with any exceptional expenses.

Operating expenses at 2nd Thatcham Scout group were approximately £10,000 in the last financial year not including the District fees. The group currently holds £10,096.02 in the Scouts Association Account, which the executive committee believes to be a suitable sum to hold as a reserve.

F. Plans for future period and other information

2022-23 will see us signing a new lease with our landlord "The Trust" which will replace the old lease signed back in 1978!. This will guarantee our tenure for the next 20 years at least but will come with a significant increase in rent.

Our current rent is still set at around £1,200 per year as it has been marginally increasing since 1978. The Trust has worked with independent assessors and indicated a new rent of £3,500 per year, which is heavily discounted (90%) from standard due to our charity status. In addition to this large discount, The Trust will also incrementally increase the rent from current rate over the next 5 years to ease the impact.

While this threefold increase in rent seems significant, rent is by no means our biggest expense, in fact it ranks 4 or 5 on the list, as such we are not alarmed or concerned by the increase. However, over the coming years we will undoubtedly have to increase Subscriptions to account for this.

Current county average subscriptions are around £50, it is our intention to implement small increases year on year over the next 5 years.

The resulting subscription fee will depend heavily on the involvement of parents in fundraising activities over the coming years.

At the time of writing, we have just finished a fantastic Group Camp, this will be discussed in 2022-2023 report.

G. Declaration

Agreed by the charity's trustees at the 2nd Thatcham Group Executive Committee meeting held on 9th July 2022 and signed on their behalf

Dan Danskin, Chairperson
09/07/2022

Jyoti Parmar, Treasurer
09/07/2022

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 2nd Thatcham Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 2nd Thatcham Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2022

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of 2nd Thatcham Scout Group you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the 2nd Thatcham Scout Group accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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

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

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

Signed:



Name: Marc Alderman

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): N/A

Address: 50 Grenadier Gardens Thatcham RG19 4PN

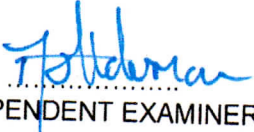
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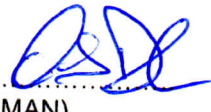
BALANCE SHEET 2021/2022

<u>Balance in hand 1st Apr 2021</u>		<u>Balance in hand</u>	
Group Account	9540.20	Group Account	27815.19
Scouts Account	2712.23	Scouts Account	3586.11
Cub Account	1666.02	Cub Account	3086.48
Beavers Account	446.73	Beavers Account	354.67
Scout Jersey Camp	2929.34	Scout Jersey Camp	2513.34
Long Term Investment	10017.11	Long Term Investment	10096.02
Hardship Fund	864.00	Hardship Fund	864.00
HQ Maintenance Fund	2358.33	HQ Maintenance Fund	2358.33
Capitation Fund	12742.47	Capitation Fund	9612.00
TOTAL	43276.43	TOTAL	60286.14
Cash	408.89	Cash	0.00
Lloyds Bank	7298.60	Lloyds Bank	14386.71
Lloyds Bank - Savings	23455.00	Lloyds Bank - Savings	33457.92
Prepayment Card	2096.83	Prepayment Card	2345.49
Scout Assn Account	<u>10017.11</u>	Scout Assn Account	<u>10096.02</u>
	43276.43		60286.14

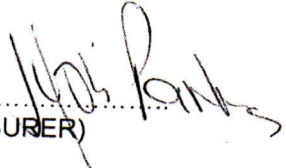
I certify that these accounts represent a true indication of the financial position according to the documents supplied to me, and that the Rules of The Scout Association and the requirements of The Charity Acts concerning finance have been followed.

Signed 
 (INDEPENDENT EXAMINER)

Date 29/06/22

Signed 
 (CHAIRMAN)

Date 8/7/22

Signed 
 (TREASURER)

4-07-2022

SCOUT ACCOUNTS

SCOUT ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2020/2021	£2,712.23
Subscriptions	£1,182.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
Uniform	£0.00
Thor Dragon Boat Regatta	£170.00
Thor Paccar Freezer camp 2022	£1,820.00
Team Leaders camp @ Thirtover pl	£90.00

Total Income **£3,262.00**

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£137.35
BADGES	£175.77
Thor Dragon Boat Regatta	£150.00
Thor Paccar Freezer camp 2022	£1,925.00
Team Leaders camp @ Thirtover pl	£0.00

Total Expenditure **£2,388.12**

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022 **£3,586.11**

CUB ACCOUNTS

CUB ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2020/2021	£1,666.02
SUBS	£1,433.00
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
uniform	£0.00
4 & 5 Sept 2 Cubs Rogers Camp 2021	£1,080.00
4 & 5 Dec 2 Cub Rogers Xmas Sleepover	£440.00
03.12.2021 Cub Bostock Xmas Pottery Painting	£176.00
19 & 20 Feb Bostock Winter Camp 2022	£480.00
16 & 17 Apr Winter Camp 2022 II - Cub Bostock	£0.00
Misc	£0.00
Total Income	£3,609.00

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£811.43
BADGES	£248.64
Cubs Rogers Camp 2021	£688.47
Cub Rogers Xmas Sleepover	£360.00
Cub Bostock Xmas Pottery Painting	£0.00
Bostock Winter Camp 2022	£30.00
Winter Camp 2022 II - Cub Bostock	£50.00
Misc	£0.00
Total Expenditure	£2,188.54

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022

£3,086.48

BEAVERS ACCOUNTS

BEAVER ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2020/2021	£446.73
SUBS	£1,853.00
ACTIVITIES	£84.50
Uniform	£0.00
Beaver Forest & GO 35th Birthday Activity Day - Saturday 11th September 2021	£360.00
GO Adventure day @ Thirstover Place	£126.00
Forest Wild West Sleepover	£760.00
Great Oak Wild West Sleepover	£275.00
Great Oak Sleepover Thirstover PI	£275.00
Misc	
Total Income	£3,733.50

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£963.88
BADGES	£1,209.20
Beaver Forest & GO 35th Birthday Activity Day - Saturday 11th September 2021	£348.75
GO Adventure day @ Thirstover Place	£9.40
Forest Wild West Sleepover	£1,069.33
Great Oak Wild West Sleepover	£225.00
Great Oak Sleepover Thirstover PI	£0.00
Total Expenditure	£3,825.56

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022

£354.67

HQ MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2021	£2,358.33

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022**£2,358.33****JERSEY CAMP ACCOUNT****INCOME**

Balance in hand 1/4/2021	£2,929.34
Income	£0.00
Camp Fee	£0.00
Fundraising	£0.00
Total income	<u>£2,929.34</u>

Expenditure

£416.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022**£2,513.34****HARDSHIP FUND ACCOUNT**

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2021	£864.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022**£864.00****CAPITATION ACCOUNT**

Total Income	£9,612.00
Less expenditure	£12,742.47
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	-£3,130.47
Balance in hand 1/4/2021	£12,742.47

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2022**£9,612.00**

2ND THATCHAM (GREENHAM COURT) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 279878

Accounts



Agenda

Annual General Meeting,

Tuesday 22nd June 2021

Via

Zoom

7.30pm

2nd Thatcham AGM

Time: Jun 22, 2021 07:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/96652850100>

Meeting ID: 966 5285 0100

Passcode: 0376779758

Agenda

1. Welcome & Apologies
2. Approval of 2019-20 AGM Minutes
3. Trustee's Annual Report for 2020-21
4. Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2020-21
5. Approval of the Trustee's Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2020-21
6. Approval of the Group Scout Leader's nomination of the Group Chair for 2021-22
7. Election of Group Executive Officers for 2021-22

Group Secretary
Group Treasurer

8. Election of Members to the Group Executive for 2021-22
9. Appointment of Independent Examiner for 2021-22
10. 2nd Thatcham Scouts Annual Review



AGM Minutes – 3 November 2020 Zoom Meeting

Present

D Danskin	B Tichband	Maltby Family
A Hunter	T Bareham	N Doe
S Bird	G Bird	A Pritchard
A Cole	J Parmar	C Coopey

Apologies from: P Frost, J Payen, A Davis

Awards

No awards were given out this year as the AGM was via Zoom

Minutes

Minutes of the last AGM (12/07/2019) were distributed via email and approved by a show of hands with 1 change to attendance

Trustees Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for 2019-2020, were circulated by email and approved by a show of hands

The Treasurers Report and Accounts for 2019-2020 were talked through and approved.

Nominations and Elections for 2020-2021

Amanda Cole nominated by District Commissioner and elected as Group Chair

Jyoti Parmar continues as Group Treasurer

Allison Pritchard continues as Group Secretary.

Nigel Doe continues as Quartermaster

All the above were thanked for their hard work and support over the last year

The following parent reps were elected;

Ben Tichband – Forest Beavers

Dan Danskin – Great Oak Beavers

TBC – Rogers Cubs

TBC – Bostock Cubs

Dan Danskin – Thor Scouts

We have vacancies for Parent Reps if anybody wants to join us please let us know

Mark Alderman was appointed as the Independent Examiner

2nd Thatcham Scouts Overview

It has been a difficult year with the GSL changing a couple of times, but a successful year for the Young People, who have taken part in various camps, sleepovers, activities and trips. The Scout camp to Jersey was fantastic.

District Commissioner

Caroline Coopey thanked all the Leaders, Parents and Exec members for their support of the Group. Commented that we are the largest Group in the District and that that comes from good leadership

Very difficult at the moment with COVID to know where we will be over the next few months. Moving forward now, hopefully we will carry on with the sections getting together and doing well over the lockdown.

Chairperson

Amanda Cole thanked everyone for coming to possibly the shortest AGM ever! She apologised for the delay to the meeting and that we all missed out on a BBQ but appreciated people joining us at a very different AGM this year. She reiterated that we have a strong group both financially and actively and again thanked everyone involved.

It is going to be a challenging year ahead reacting to COVID but with some flexibility and adapting of activities she is looking forward to hearing about all that we do next year.

AC thanked those involved with the Hut redecoration it is looking great.

Many Thanks

Thanks to all the leaders, helpers, parents and young people

Next years AGM – date to be confirmed



Trustee's Annual Report For the period from 1st April 2020 to 31st March 2021

A. Reference and administration details

Charity name: 2nd Thatcham Scout Group

Charity number: 279878 (England & Wales)

Charity's principal address: Memorial Playing Fields
Brownsfield
Thatcham
RG18 3AG

Names of the *Charity Trustees* who managed the charity during the year (the "2nd Thatcham Executive Committee"):

<i>Elected</i>	Amanda Cole	Chairperson
	Jyoti Parmar	Treasurer
	Allison Pritchard	Secretary
	Caroline Coopey	GSL (stand in)
<i>Nominated members</i>		
	Nigel Doe	Quartermaster
<i>Co-opted Members</i>	Ben Tichband	Parent Rep (Forest Beavers)/Fundraising Team
	Dan Danskin	Parent Rep (Great Oak Beavers)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Parent Rep (Rogers Cubs)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Parent Rep (Bostock Cubs)/Fundraising Team
	Dan Danskin	Parent Rep (Thor Scouts)/Fundraising Team
	Vacant	Youth Rep

Bankers: Lloyds Bank Thatcham
Independent Examiner: Marc Alderman

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B. Structure, governance and management

The Group's governing documents are those of The Scout Association (Registered Charity number 306101).

They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Scout Association and the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association. The Group is established under The Scout Association's rules, which are common to all Scout undertakings in the United Kingdom.

B.1 The 2nd Thatcham Executive Committee

The 2nd Thatcham Scouts are managed by the Group Executive Committee, the members of which are the *Charity Trustees* of the Scout Group and are appointed in accordance with the rules of The Scout Association.

The Committee consists of three independent representatives - Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary - together with any Group Scout Leader(s), and parent representatives. The Executive Committee meets at least 4 times each year and exists to support the Scout Group.

Members of the Group Executive Committee must act collectively as the *Charity Trustees* of the Group, and in the best interests of its members to:

- Ensure compliance with all relevant legislation;
- Comply with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association;
- Protect and maintain any property and equipment owned or used by the Group;
- Manage the Group finances;
- Provide insurance for people, property and equipment;
- Provide sufficient resources for Scouting to operate. This includes, but is not limited to, supporting recruitment, other adult support, and fundraising activities;
- Promote and support the development of Scouting in the local area;
- Manage and implement the Safety Policy locally;
- Ensure that a positive image of Scouting exists in the local community;
- Appoint and manage the operation of any other sub-Committees, including appointing Chairmen to lead those sub-Committees;
- Ensure that Young People are meaningfully involved in decision making at all levels within the Group;

The Group Executive Committee must also:

- Appoint Administrators, Advisers, and Co-opted members of the Committee;
- Approve the Annual Report and Annual Accounts after their examination by an appropriate auditor, independent examiner or scrutineer;
- Present the Annual Report and Annual Accounts to the Group Scout Council at the Annual General Meeting and file a copy with the District Executive Committee;
- Maintain confidentiality with regard to appropriate Executive Committee business.

B.2 Internal controls

The Group Executive Committee has in place systems of internal controls that are designed to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of the Group's property and money; these include two signatories for all bank payments.

C. Objectives and activities

The objectives of the Group are achieved by operating in accordance with the Purpose, Values and Method of Scouting and The Scout Association.

The Purpose of Scouting is to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

As Scouts we are guided by these values:

- **Integrity** – We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal.
- **Respect** – We have self-respect and respect for others.
- **Care** – We support others and take care of the world in which we live.
- **Belief** – We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.
- **Co-operation** – We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

Scouting uses a Method, which is young people, in partnership with adults:

- enjoying what they are doing;
- learning by doing;
- participating in varied and progressive activities;
- making choices for themselves;
- taking responsibility for their own actions;
- working in groups;
- taking increasing responsibility for others;
- taking part in activities outdoors;
- sharing in prayer and worship;
- making and living out their Promise.

This Method is delivered mainly at Group level, through a weekly training programme and regular camps and activities for each age group (or “Section”). The Group supports this delivery mainly by providing programme advice and guidance for Section leaders; together with management advice and guidance for Group Scout Leaders and Group administrators.

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D. Achievements and performance

D.1 Activities

Since March 2020 the Group have been carrying on with Scouting on zoom with just a few weeks in the autumn when we were able to meet in smaller groups face to face for a short time, before we had another lockdown. Beavers and Cubs have managed to run at home sleepovers for their sections and in October half term last year we ran a joint sleepover for all Beavers and Cubs in the Group. It was a great success and we had almost one hundred of your young people attend with their siblings and families. We are looking forward to returning to Scouting face to face after, when weather permits, we will be spending most of our meetings outside. We are all looking forward to meeting our young people again as it feels like a long time since we have seen them and some members we have only ever met on zoom.

Throughout our time on zoom we have taken new young people in all sections and moved them up into their next sections. All our members have worked on many badges throughout our zoom meetings and also they have worked on badges at home. The young people have also completed their top awards in each section, this is thanks to the all the Leaders supporting them with great program ideas. One of our Scouts has work so hard that they have been presented with their Chief Scout Gold Award. We would like to say a big well done to Alex Turner. All the Leaders are very proud of what our young people have achieved. We should say a big thank you to all the Leaders in the Group who have all worked tirelessly throughout lockdown to create a program online either weekly or fortnightly for the past year.

Well done to you all.

D.2 Membership numbers

Considering that we have been on zoom for the last year, we have kept most of the young people, and of those who did not want to join in on zoom, most have returned with face to face meetings.

Beavers:		Cubs:		Scouts:	
Forest	24	Bostock	21	Thor	33
Great Oak	21	Rogers	38	All Leaders	24

D.3 Group fund raising

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, 2nd Thatcham Group were unable do any group fundraising during our Financial Year 2020-2021. We are hopeful that we may be able to have a few activities in the coming year.

E. Financial Review

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We have reduced our Terms Subscriptions for 2020-2021 to £26.00 due to COVID-19 restrictions and UK Lockdown. We have been able to collect the majority of our termly subscriptions via the GoCardless online system and we are grateful for your full co-operation and your support during this unprecedented time. Kind reminder for all parents to sign up to the gift aid scheme.

We have been unable to do any fundraising, but we have received Grants of £20,240.93 from West Berkshire Council in support of local Charities & Businesses. We have received donation of £400.00 from Gamma Telecom in October 2020.

The Group account shows a balance of £9,540.20 at the end of this financial year. This year we have refurbished the Scout Hut which has increased the overall costs. A new oven has been fitted in the kitchen and new lights in the Hut, refreshed the walls and ceilings with paint. We have installed a container in the Hut grounds. Overall costs for

2nd Thatcham Scout was of £18,594, which includes the Hut maintenance & refurbishment of £10,176K.

The Colourful Caterpillar Pre-School has started renting the Hut in term time during the days from January 2021. We have collected the rent from TCC for 1st term but none from other sublets.

We have refunded around £5.3K this year for all cancelled activities. (WINGS, Camps).

We have been keeping separate funds accounts for capitation costs (money we pay for each child to the District every year), a hardship fund and a HQ maintenance fund for few years. The separation of those accounts ensures better management of group accounts.

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F. Plans for future period and other information

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G. Declaration

Agreed by the charity's trustees at the 2nd Thatcham Group Executive Committee meeting held on June ?? 2021 and signed on their behalf

Amanda Cole, Chairman
June ?? 2021

Jyoti Parmar, Treasurer
June ??, 2021

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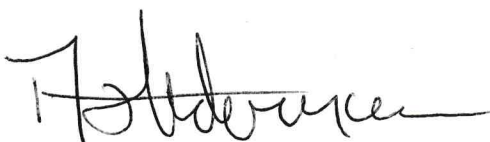
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect

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

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

Signed:



Name: Marc Alderman

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):

Address: 50 Grenadier Gardens Thatcham RG19 4PN

Date: 02/06/21

2nd THATCHAM SCOUT GROUP
Registered Charity No 279878

BALANCE SHEET 2020/2021

<u>Balance in hand 1st Apr 2020</u>		<u>Balance in hand</u>	
Group Account	15011.56	Group Account	9540.20
Scouts Account	2458.92	Scouts Account	2712.23
Cub Account	2943.92	Cub Account	1666.02
Beavers Account	1104.84	Beavers Account	446.73
Scout Jersey Camp	2929.34	Scout Jersey Camp	2929.34
Long Term Investment	10017.11	Long Term Investment	10017.11
Hardship Fund	864.00	Hardship Fund	864.00
HQ Maintenance Fund	1658.33	HQ Maintenance Fund	2358.33
Capitation Fund	7954.47	Capitation Fund	12742.47
TOTAL	44942.49	TOTAL	43276.43
Cash	408.89	Cash	408.89
Lloyds Bank	18196.82	Lloyds Bank	7298.60
Lloyds Bank - Savings	15849.71	Lloyds Bank - Savings	23455.00
Prepayment Card	469.96	Prepayment Card	2096.83
Scout Assn Account	<u>10017.11</u>	Scout Assn Account	<u>10017.11</u>
	44942.49		43276.43

I certify that these accounts represent a true indication of the financial position according to the documents supplied to me, and that the Rules of The Scout Association and the requirements of The Charity Acts concerning finance have been followed.

Signed 
 (INDEPENDENT EXAMINER)

Date 20/06/21

Signed 
 (CHAIRMAN)

Date 21/06/21

Signed 
 (TREASURER)

21.06.2021

SCOUT ACCOUNTS

SCOUT ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2019/2020	£2,458.92
Subscriptions	£423.10
ACTIVITIES	£79.10
Uniform	£0.00
Scout District WaterSport	£0.00
Scarefest 2019	£72.97
Bowling	£8.00
District Shooting	£0.00
Freezer Camp	£108.00
Scuba	£20.00
Dragon BoatRace	£75.00
Ice Skating	£100.00
Total Income	£886.17

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£39.24
BADGES	£233.52
Scout District WaterSport	£350.00
Scarefest 2019	£10.10
Bowling	£0.00
District Shooting	£0.00
Freezer Camp	£0.00
Scuba	£0.00
Dragon BoatRace	£0.00
Ice Skating	£0.00
Total Expenditure	£632.86

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021

£2,712.23 ok

CUB ACCOUNTS

CUB ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2019/2020	£2,943.92
SUBS	£618.50
ACTIVITIES	£0.00
uniform	£0.00
District Cub Camp 2020	£0.00
Ifly Basingctok - Bostock	£20.00
	£0.00
	£0.00
Misc	£0.00
Total Income	£638.50

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES	£846.01
BADGES	£860.39
District Cub Camp 2020	£210.00
Ifly Basingctok - Bostock	£0.00
	£0.00
	£0.00
Misc	£0.00
Total Expenditure	£1,916.40

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021

£1,666.02

BEAVERS ACCOUNTS

BEAVER ACCOUNT

INCOME

Carried forward from 2019/2020 £1,104.84

SUBS £1,070.00

ACTIVITIES £518.15

Uniform £0.00

Beavers District WaterSport £0.00

Beavers WINGS20 in a Day £0.00

Great Oak Seaside Week End 2020 £0.00

Misc

Total Income £1,588.15

EXPENDITURE

ACTIVITIES £1,253.38

BADGES £644.88

Beavers District WaterSport £160.00

Beavers WINGS20 in a Day £108.00

Great Oak Seaside Week End 2020 £80.00

£0.00

£0.00

Total Expenditure £2,246.26

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021

£446.73

HQ MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Total Income	£700.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£700.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2019	£1,658.33

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021 **£2,358.33**

JERSEY CAMP ACCOUNT**INCOME**

Balance in hand 1/4/2019	£2,929.34
Income	£0.00
Camp Fee	£0.00
Fundraising	£0.00
Total income	<u>£2,929.34</u>

Expenditure	£0.00
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ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021 **£2,929.34**

HARDSHIP FUND ACCOUNT

Total Income	£0.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£0.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2019	£864.00

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021 **£864.00**

CAPITATION ACCOUNT

Total Income	£4,788.00
Less expenditure	£0.00
Deficit/Excess of income over expenditure	£4,788.00
Balance in hand 1/4/2019	£7,954.47

ACCOUNT STATUS on 31.03.2021 **£12,742.47**