

14TH ANDOVER (STOCKBRIDGE) SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 302201

Details

Other names 14TH ANDOVER BOY SCOUT GROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1963-09-19

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

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Activities

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

Activities: Beaver, Cub & Scout Group

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£42,322	£19,803	-	-
2024-08-31	£31,480	£30,918	-	-
2023-03-31	£15,803	£20,711	-	-
2022-03-31	£10,759	£15,512	-	-
2021-03-31	£7,741	£5,668	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Victor Stanislas Fauvelle	Chair	2023-10-01
Dr MORWENNA JANE COLLINS		2023-11-08
FRANCES CELINE GAIL WAGHORN		
Richard Alan Holliday		2025-02-03
Samantha Trevarthan Perrett		2024-12-08

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Having just heard all the section reports you're struck by how much the Group has achieved with a core team of Leaders, assistants, helpers and Young leaders; we've shown that we can survive the ups & downs of family life & still deliver a really good quality scouting programme for all abilities

So as GSL (now GLV) I'm not about to compete with that – the credit is the Leaders – and on your behalf I'd like to thank all Leaders, adults including parents, young leaders and those who help on an ad hoc basis for their continued dedication and loyalty to our Group.

Behind the scenes- It's the now Trustee board who keep us on the straight and narrow, usually a quiet background role but without them we cannot function – they keep us safe and legal and financially afloat. So Victor Mo & Marie – Thank you and to you all leaders and parents who have contributed by helping us with advice.

We now continue in our new roles for the coming year & adjust to the new rules for running the Group.

An even bigger Thankyou must go to Mo & Leigh who battle the finances and as you can see with the increase in Subs and change in accounting year to School year end have the pounds & pence completely balanced.

We also thank our Community Representatives Tony Clayton & Mrs Taylor for their help maintaining our profile within the local community.

Our Hall Management Committee – for the upkeep of the Hall - as you can see is lovely and well maintained.

As you've heard Sam Smith has stepped out for a while from Scouts & we've lost Elizabeth to Nigeria – and Dave Wilson to Salisbury/ Idminston. At Christmas last year we thought we would close the Cub Pack – but Richie Holliday has kindly put his hand up & stepped into the Pack team leader role with Elizabeth generating the programme from afar. We have gained Lisa Graves – shes returned after her B/C/S have flown the nest and is Rakhsa & we've finally pinned down Mr Pattinson who's taken on the Shere Khan challenge also with the Cubs

If anyone is interested in a role share or supporting the Cub leadership team with programme planning – please contact me or one of us & we'll fill you in on the role

I still need a full time Beaver leaders – anyone ?

Our helpers include many of you as parents – within all the sections Beavers Cubs & Scouts. In addition we have those who have moved away – travelling from across the UK –

So I'd like to thank

- Scouting team Mark Lovell Sam Smith & Gretta with Neil Harrison, & the Giffards.
- Our new Cub team Richie – Baloo & Lisa Raksha & Simon Pattinson – Shere Kan -Akela -Mo who provides us with cover, Megan – Nag, Elizabeth Salter & sadly weve lost Coops due to family commitments.- although hes still on our hit list.
- And finally our young Leaders Alex, Maddie, Daniel & Hannah.
- Our Hall team – with Leigh who also remains at the end of the phone as our in touch person
- Grateful thanks go to the Taylors of Wild Cherries – we 've had another wonderful year digging firepits in their garden, with the safe space to Scavenger hunt, and navigate & track. We appreciate their patience.

Leaders families – thank you for your patience and support – the dinners are always ready when we get home after 9 or 10 at night and the carting of us and kit for camps. If I've missed any one – sorry As you probably know our local Explorer Unit Yeti closed over a year ago Apr 2024, this was sad but if anyone fancies taking on the leadership role please let us know. We remain under pressure to open Squirrels – and are considering this possibility in Autumn 26 with help from District

So you've heard a lot about the Trustee board and the new structure for Scouting. This is to bring us inline with Charities Commission and their roles. Please bear with us if we appear confused as we must now separate out the managerial roles from front facing roles when dealing with your queries

If you wish to help us please do catch one of us

Please please remember that for us to stay safe & legal we are jumping through even bigger hoops – all activities are risk assessed to the nth degree and with that comes a lot of restrictions. Scouting is a tradition and to teach your child to light a fire say comes with a lot of assessment including adults being present.

If we ask for help – please do come forward – we like you have families and homes – we are volunteers but need you to help us when we call out - if everyone gives up 30 mins -2 hours of time to help us we would have toasted marshmallows, or clear camp / meetings so much quicker and I know from having parents help on Beaver Raft building evenings you have fun too !

Beavers Section Report 2024 2025

Presentation by S Perritt & F Waghorn

Summer 2024

Beavers started with high energy healthy living navigation & hikes, so camp cooking popcorn healthy foods & making smoothies - they loved the green ones – & learning compass points & navigation around Stockbridge & going for a hike around Stockbridge Down. As the nights drew in we joined with the whole Group & families for the annual Fireworks evening on the rec club. We dressed smartly Paraded & dipped the Flag without incident attending the local Remembrance Day Service at St Peters Church Stockbridge, the inevitable shock of rocket marking the 2 minuet Silence was marked by them plugging their ears as the rockets were fired for the 2 minuet silence. As the skies grew darker and clearer we did our space badge making soalr systems with quiet a few aliens and rockets. We joined our District friend for a lovely atmospheric Christingle at St Marys Church and then made our Seasonal or Christmas decorations before the holiday. We gained our Navigation, Healthy eating Hike Space & craft badges

Spring 2025

We learnt about science colours & light– its amazing just how many colours are cramed into one felt tip pen – the brown ones are best ! We grew seeds and learnt about gardening. We also learnt about disabilities and how they affect all ages in some way – how others may not see hear feel move or think and how we can help people, we also learnt a little Makaton. Pancakes and chocolate nests ended the term. & by now we had gained our Team work gardening disability & experiment badges

Summer term 2025

Popcorn & firelighting started the term, followed with pitching tents and meeting up with our Group & District for the annual Circus – a really fun night. We designed rafts, built & raced them down the bunny – a really fun evening with lots of help from Dads & Mums. We are so lucky to have the marsh nearby and so we did a scavenger hunt & another out tracking – finding really beautiful damsel flies & spiders. As the weather got hotter we had a cool hike on the marsh sitting by the river watching the ducks float by - eating ice lollies, & we spent a hot evening getting drenched with water games. We ended the term with pond dipping at Chilbolton finding amazing creatures amongst the weeds and mud. By the end of term we had earnt our Camp, builders hike & outdoor challenge badge

My Thanks go to granddad Bradley & GrandMum Foster --- parents Mr Holder Mr Booth & to all parents for stepping up when needed. As ever my big thanks go to Stag – Sam Perritt for helping with the Colony – and reading what is going on in a Beavers mind. & to you Parents thankyou – without the parent helpers we would not be able to do our exciting meetings.

Cub Section Report 2024- 2025

Presented by R Holiday Collated by E Salter

Your Leaders go by funny names, but we are all involved with the enjoyment and learning that happens in Cubs:

- Richie – Baloo, Frances – Bagheera Lisa – Raksha Hannah – Young Leader
- Elizabeth – Woodpecker Yes, she is still involved with planning, and although a long way away, sends her best wishes

This year

- We have said goodbye to Dave (Skip)
 - who has moved house and is helping with Salsbury Sea Scouts
- We have said hello to Richie (Baloo)
- Elizabeth (Woodpecker) has moved abroad
- Elizabeth received her Wood Badge
- 9 Cubs have been awarded their Silver Chief Scout's Award
- Cub numbers have remained steady
- Armfuls of badges have been worked towards
- And fun, friendships, service and learning have all been promoted

11-Sep-24	Nature Check at Cherries Flying Carpet Game Fire Pit, marshmallows Invest Give out badges	15-Jan-25	Posters and Games	27-Apr-25	St. George's Day Parade
18-Sep-24	Walk around Stockbridge to create map of services Set Challenge to learn address and phone	22-Jan-25	Broughton Pantomime	30-Apr-25	Environmental Conservation 2 (check in on their reducing energy and water journey)
25-Sep-24	War Graves Cleaning (Each si learns about a person) Test address knowledge	29-Jan-25	Celery Science and Art	07-May-25	Baden Powel Story Pack Forum
02-Oct-24	Learn about Pilot (30 mins) Coats of Arms	05-Feb-25	Spaghetti and Marshmallows	14-May-25	Circus 18:00 - 20:15
09-Oct-24	Make Potato Scones Invest	12-Feb-25	Holi Colour Challenge Colour Collecting Wide Game; Nature observation, and Fire Pit	21-May-25	Mapping the Minefield and Nature Observations [World Bee Day is 20th May]
16-Oct-24	Global Issues: World Food Week: Tropical Fruit Tasting Poster Contest	14-15/02/2025	Gang Show	04-Jun-25	Knots and Fires
23-Oct-24	Biscuit making Talk from Stockbridger Team Game Give out badges	26-Feb-25	Compass Making	11-Jun-25	Athletics
06-Nov-24	Fireworks	05-Mar-25	Pancakes	18-Jun-25	Rope Making
Sun 10-Nov-24	Remembrance	12-Mar-25	Bird Feeder	25-Jun-25	Disability Awareness 1
13-Nov-24	Code of Conduct, s'mores	19-Mar-25	Environmental Conservation 1. Invest.	09-Jul-25	Communicator
15-17 Nov-24	Camp at Oxenwood	26-Mar-25	Emergency Aid 1 Cress Observations	16-Jul-25	Water games at Chilbolten Common
20-Nov-24	Digital Citizen Level 1	02-Apr-25	Emergency Aid 2 Award badges		
27-Nov-24	Sinterklaus				
04-Dec-24	Digital Maker Part A				
11-Dec-24	Digital Maker Part B Invest. Hand out badges				
18-Dec-24	Change a lightbulb in a lamp and make a lamp decoration				

- Come and be a part time leader
 - Can you come and help once a month? – great!
- Come and be a full-time volunteer
 - Just turn up an supervise - great
- Help in the background
 - There is planning, printing, badge sorting, buying supplies ...
- Whatever it is that you can do, it will be appreciated
- Come and join our fun, caring team

- Talk to Richie

Autumn Term

Autumn term started with a session to practise cooking spaghetti bolognese and carbonara on gas stoves, this was in preparation for our Camp the following weekend.

We joined with 100 other Scouts from across the Andover District at Ferny Crofts for a super camp involving shooting, climbing, archery, aeroball, crate stacking and Jacobs ladder challenges, and a very high zip wire!

It was great to mix and make friends with Scouts from other groups. But also, some of the nicest moments we had were just chilling in our camp cooking breakfast or playing games in the evenings. Many thanks to James Clark and the District team for setting up the weekend, and Mark and I were assessed on camp and very pleased to be awarded our Nights Away Permits.

We had a beautiful evening walk around Stockbridge marshes and the Test Way with an incredible sunset.

Then we took a look at healthy lifestyle factors and the importance of good diet and sleep, and avoiding alcohol and drugs. The Scouts had to rate how much sugar was in various drinks, as well as other harmful ingredients, and were surprised by the results.

We had a session on teambuilding activities, working together to extract a tin 'bomb', build a bridge and cross an imaginary swamp!

We had a delicious two weeks preparing for and hosting last years AGM. The Scouts designed and made savoury and sweet canapes to serve, including learning how to make mini meringues, which were topped with cream and fruit.

We had our annual firewood splitting session, using large and small axes, kindling splitters and saws. After half term we held our joint fireworks session with the Cubs and Beavers, enjoying firepits, sparklers and fireworks.

And then a more sombre occasion, meeting for the Remembrance service at St. Peters in Stockbridge. The Scouts were smartly dressed, well behaved and read the prayers beautifully.

We then learned some watercolour painting techniques, starting with a session on a remembrance poppy wreath, and moving on to an autumn leaf wreath.

Oxenwood autumn camp was a brilliant weekend joint camp with our Cub section. The Scouts hiked, mountain biked, climbed, paddle boarded and had a go at rifle shooting too. A great time was had by all, a huge thank you to Mo for organising, and for the delicious food too. It is always lovely to watch the Scouts grow closer together during our residential experiences, as well as seeing a visible increase in confidence.

Then we had a visitor from Good News for Everyone who came to talk to us about the Christian faith. Vic Anderson had been awarded the Queen's Scout Award many years ago, and brought his old Scout uniform and certificate for us to see. The Scouts were fascinated seeing the difference between his and today's more modern uniform, and he also gave us some special Scout bibles. He introduced us to some great games too and also talked about his time as a prop maker on the Thunderbirds set!

On Sunday 1st December we attended the District Awards ceremony to see some of our Scouts receive their Chief Scout Gold award. Congratulations to Max, Henry, William, Dan, James, Maddie and Ferdy who have all earned theirs this year.

We hiked on Broughton down in the dark, practising our navigation skills, and then we got creative with Christmas wreath making. We purloined our hedges and woods on the farm for holly, ivy, and

moss etc, and each Scout made a beautiful wreath for their front door. Huge thanks to Claire Robinson for bringing her floristry expertise to help us.

We finished the term attending the Danebury Christmas carol concert at which some of our Scouts and ex Scouts were performing. It was a lovely festive end to our term.

Spring term

We started the term by reflecting on the Kings Christmas message and how it echoed so many of our Scouting values of kindness and helping others. We looked at setting ourselves some Personal challenges as part of our Gold Scout award and played some of the silly Christmas games we'd been given!

Our theme for the term was pioneering, and we started off learning some basic knots and lashing techniques, before developing our skills and making some camp gadgets.

We did an evening hike, this time from our farm at Jacks Bush, ending with some stargazing from the top of our hill. Then we cooked burgers on campfires, always a favourite session for the Scouts.

At the start of half term, we took a trip on the train with the Cubs and Beavers up to the Basingstoke Gangshow, as always a great performance. We feasted on late night chips for supper and stayed overnight in the Gill Nethercott centre in Whitchurch. Huge thanks to Mo for organising the trip and the overnight stay.

We had an evening of games and cake on Mark's birthday, followed by a tasty meeting making pancakes with a delicious variety of toppings.

Then we looked at what equipment to take on an expedition and how to pack a rucksack. Neil brought his bike and panniers set up for bike packing and we discussed the different types of gear needed for different expeditions.

We continued our pioneering with an outdoor project to cross an imaginary river in our paddock at the farm, and then we learnt how to splice a rope.

We finished the term by planting potatoes in sacks so we could learn the fork to plate process of making our own chips! The Scouts took great delight in shovelling and mixing the compost, and then we lit campfires and enjoyed some hand cooked chips we'd prepared in the oven to give them an idea of what was to come in July when they would make their own chips with the potatoes they'd grown!

Summer Term

Summer term started with a District St. Georges day parade in Andover for the first time in a few years, and then we met for our annual Bluebell Walk in Bentley wood with the customary game of camouflage!

We coked over campfires, this time bacon butties or BLTs for those that like their salad! It was great to see some older ones teaching our newer Scouts how to make their fires.

Next, we visited the Circus with groups from across District, huge thanks to Mo for organising this event for us all again.

Then we started our summer theme of the Farming and Naturalist badges with a look at Bee keeping, wildflower sowing and taking Dahlia cuttings.

We looked at how Mark keeps his bees and had a delicious evening extracting some honey from the frames Mark had taken out of the hives.

We had a great session gardening at the Scout hut, weeding, clearing, trimming trees and planting the lovely yellow and red dahlias that you can see outside along the path. The Scouts surprised themselves with what a difference they had made, and it looked incredible afterwards!

We then looked at flower identification in the hedgerows and wild corners of the farm as part of our naturalist badge. We used both book ID guides and technology in the form of Google lens search and

used this as an example for a discussion around constructive use of the internet and internet safety issues.

We looked at International Scouting around the world, and said goodbye to one of our eldest scouts with a session of games and snacks at the farm finishing with a beautiful walk through our barley field at sunset.

Then we went down to Stockbridge marshes on a roasting hot evening to cool off paddling in the river and look at the wildlife underwater with Neil's submersible magnifying glass.

On the penultimate week of term, we tipped out our potato sacks to find that they had multiplied massively, and we scrubbed and chopped the potatoes to make enough chips to feed a small army! While they were in the oven the Scouts had a tour of our farm machinery as part of our farming badge, many thanks to our son Joe and daughter Katelin for helping with this. The Scouts loved being able to see the machinery up close and learn more about how the combine, baler and tractors work.

We ate our home-grown, home-made chips as the sun went down, and they were the best chips ever!

Our last session of the year was learning about water safety ahead of the summer holidays. We walked down to the River Test at the marshes again and paddled while practicing the technique for a water rescue with a throw rope, then we talked about what to do if caught in a rip current, safety flags at beaches and discussed having appropriate equipment when doing water sports.

We want to thank our fabulous group of Scouts for being such a great bunch of young people to work with. Watching you all grow in confidence is a joy, and you make this a hugely rewarding role. Mark and I are very grateful for the help of our team of regular helpers - Neil Harrison who gives so much of his time, Sam Watts who has just come on board, Sam Smith and all her wonderful Scout experience – currently taking a break, but we hope to see you again soon, and Lloyd Hotchkiss who has started helping more this year.

And we couldn't do it either without those who have stepped in occasionally when needed - Andrea Zanchi, Dan Robinson, Claire Robinson, Bryan and Sarah Glasspool, William, Tom and Rowena Giffard, Madeline Maple, and Mirembe Woodrow have all helped us this year.

Our parent support is wonderful, thank you all for the kind messages you send us, it makes all the difference.

Thank you to our Group Lead Frances holding it all together, Mo our treasurer and organiser of brilliant events, and to the Cub and Beaver team and hut committee too – you are all amazing.

Mark and Gretta Lovell

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Treasurer's Report Summary Sept 24- Aug 25 AGM 2025

This year marks our first full financial year operating on an academic year-end rather than a business year-end.

The change has given us a much clearer picture of how our income and expenditure align with the Scouting calendar.

The previous 18-month reporting period, used to make the transition, revealed that the Group had been running at an unsustainable deficit and was relying heavily on grant income to stay afloat.

Financial Position

The decision taken last year to raise subscriptions to £50 per term has been challenging for some parents but it has successfully returned the Group to a stable financial footing. For the first time in several years, we have completed a year operating in the black.

We would like to thank the leaders for delivering an outstanding programme on a very tight budget.

This year also marked the start of our Gift Aid reclaim trial, which has already brought in over £2,000.

Given its success, Leigh (our Hall Treasurer) and I will now continue to process the remaining backlog of eligible claims and ensure that Gift Aid is claimed regularly going forward. This will provide a valuable and sustainable income stream to support the Group's ongoing running costs.

We also want to recognise that many of our leaders and volunteers do not claim back all of their expenses. This generosity saves the Group a significant amount each year, and we are sincerely grateful for that support but also means we must be alert that this cannot be an expectation and we should always budget as if full expenses are claimed.

Sustainability Projects

Our focus for the coming year is on long-term environmental and financial sustainability:

- The Group has been awarded over £29,000 in ring-fenced grants — including a National Lottery grant and a Test Valley Borough Council Community Infrastructure Grant — to install solar panels on the Scout Hut roof.
- We are also upgrading the heating system to ensure the building operates at maximum efficiency.
- Once complete, we aim to reduce our energy bills and hopefully sell any surplus power back to the grid.
- During the next year, we will also apply for additional grants to support water-use reduction and to replace all internal and external lighting with energy-efficient LED units.

We would like to thank Stockbridge Community Cinema for their generous financial contribution supporting camp costs, and to express appreciation to the individual donors who have kindly given financial support to the Group this year.

Debt Management

This year we have begun actively monitoring bad debt, focusing on parents who have not cleared balances after their children have left the Group despite repeated reminders.

From September 2025, a new “two formal requests” policy will apply: After two formal reminders, a child’s membership will be temporarily suspended until arrears are cleared.

This measure is necessary to prevent a small number of unpaid fees from affecting the whole Group.

We fully appreciate that many families are facing financial pressures, and we continue to offer:

- A Camp Bank facility to spread larger payments, and
- The option to agree extended payment plans with the Treasurer in confidence.

Reserves Policy

With income stabilised, we are now formalising a reserves target of approximately £5,000, equivalent to around six months of core operating costs.

This will provide financial security in the event of unexpected income disruption or urgent expenditure.

Summary

To summarise:

- The switch to an academic year-end has clarified our financial picture.
- The increase in subscriptions has restored financial stability.
- Major grants are being invested in long-term sustainability projects: solar power, heating upgrades, water efficiency, and LED lighting.
- We are managing outstanding debt proactively, while supporting families in need.
- We are deeply grateful for the continuing generosity of leaders, volunteers, Stockbridge Community Cinema, and individual supporters who make Scouting possible in our community.

Together, we have secured a stable, sustainable foundation for the future of Scouting in Stockbridge.

14TH ANDOVER (STOCKBRIDGE) SCOUT GROUP STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AS OF 31ST AUGUST 2025

Annual Accounts (1st April 2023 to 31st Aug 2024)

Cash/bank balance as at 1st Sept: £ 6,450.30

INCOME

Subscriptions	£ 6,822.91
Camp Fees	£ 4,116.00
Badges/neckers	£ 441.20
Group fundraising	£ 352.85
Donations/grants	£ 1,179.93
Circus 23/24	£ 5,320.50
Bank refund	£ 13,246.38

Total (A) £ 31,179.77

EXPENSES

Capitation	£ 7,106.80
Group expenditure	£ 3,770.55
Programme	£ 2,310.19
Camp fees	£ 3,339.86
Grants	£ 1,352.91
Circus 23/24	£ 6,037.00
Bank return transfer	£ 7,000.00

Total (B) £ 30,917.31

Income less expenses (A-B) £ 562.46
 Money in bank at 1st April 2023 £ 6,450.30
 £ 7,012.76

True Deficit £ 5,520.94

Bank balance as at 31st August 20 £ 7,012.76

Cash held in savings accounts £ 8,041.35
 £ 1,043.71

Total Assets £ 16,097.82

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 the accounts as
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 M. W.
 Treasurer 01-10-25

Annual Accounts (1st Sept 2024 to 31st Aug 2025)

Cash/bank balance as at 1st Sept: £ 7,012.76

INCOME

Subscriptions	£ 8,219.36
Camp Fees	£ 5,026.00
Badges/neckers	£ 254.50
Donations	£ 1,301.07
Grants	£ 21,100.00
Circus	£ 3,945.00
Gift Aid	£ 2,475.57

Total (A) £ 42,321.50

EXPENSES

Capitation	£ 3,720.00
Group expenditure	£ 2,728.84
Programme	£ 1,167.30
Camp Fees	£ 4,330.90
Grant/Bot Survey	£ 429.60
Circus	£ 3,991.00
Gift Aid transfer	£ 2,415.57
Transfer to Hut	£ 1,000.00

Total (B) £ 19,803.21

Income less expense (A-B) £ 22,518.29
 Money in bank as 1st Sept 2024 £ 7,012.76

True Profit £ 2,787.89

Bank balance at 31st August 2025 £ 29,531.05

Cash held in savings accounts £ 10,532.25
 £ 1,117.03

Total Assets £ 41,180.33

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Kent Hill Scout Hall

On 14th October 2024 at 7.15pm

Present:	Current Trustee Board (Executive Committee): V Fauvelle - Chair M Slater – Secretary M Collins- Treasurer M Lovell - Scout Ldr E Salter – Cub Ldr S Perritt - Beaver Ldr Phill Deverill – Andover District Commissioner	
	M Collins - Treasurer F Waghorn – GVL (GSL) L Dance - Hall Booking & In -Touch G Lovell – Scout Ldr D Wilson - Cub Ldr	S Smith Scout Ldr
	Parents: Parent X Mrs Standen Mrs Fenner Mrs Sangster	J Perritt Mr Kersley Child Lovell Child Lewis Mr Gifford & child
Apologies:	Mr A Collins Mrs Fernandez Lorentte	

The meeting was quorate and commenced at 19.15pm

Item		Action
1.	Welcome and Apologies	
	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for coming.	VF
2.	Election of Group Trustee Board Members	
	The old committee stood down and new committee members were elected unopposed. Chair Victor Fauvelle nominated F Waghorn, M Collins Secretary Marie Slater nominated M Collins, L Dance Treasurer Mo Collins nominated L Dance, F Waghorn Leaders on Trustee Board M Lovell, G Lovell, S Smith, E Salter, D Wilson, S Perritt. F Waghorn Hall Hirers Clerk & In Touch Leigh Dance Community Rep Tony Clayton, (Leigh Dance) (Mr & Mrs Taylor)	New POR was observed total of 12 Trustee board members with Trustee board members quorum agreed of 1/3 meeting members +1.
3.	Approval of Minutes 8th November 2023	
	The minutes for the last AGM held on the 8 th November 2023 for year 2022 – 2023 were read agreed & signed by the Chair V Fauvelle and ###.	Chair V Fauvelle
4.	Financial Report	
	Please see attached report and accounts from the Treasurer. Scrutineer for Financial statement Apr 2023- Aug 2024 Leigh Dance	Treasurer Mo Collins
5.	Policy Updates	
	The following policy updates were presented by the Group Lead Volunteer	



	(F Waghorn): see report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were updates in Policies Operation and Rules POR that affected the delivery of activities, with changes in role titles and training requirements. A major change in Group structure & hierarchy has been implemented and the organogram provided. The 14th Constitution now reflects current POR changes & will adapt further HQ amendments as released if required or at the next AGM. The new constitution is now applied to the running and management of the Group and new names will be observed POR at the next AGM. In general the current Constitution does not change the immediate running of the Group & its Policies. • The Group uses Online Scout Manager to ensure records are GDPR compliant. This is compliant with the Scout Association POR • Only relevant, named Group adults FW, MC, ML, GL SJS, ES, LD have access to OSM and the information held within. The only sensitive information to be held is medical, which may be printed only when necessary, such as for trips, and will be destroyed afterwards. • Group Leaders with access to OSM are GDPR trained and have been DBS'd enhanced with barring; this includes all Section Leaders, Assistant Leaders, Treasurer, and In Touch adults. • The Constitution was agreed and signed. 	
6.	Beaver Leaders Report	
	Beaver Leaders Report 2023 - 2024 was presented.	See Appendix
7.	Cub Leaders Report	
	Cub Leaders Report 2023 – 2024 was presented.	See Appendix
8.	Scout Leaders Report	
	Scout Leaders Report 2023 – 2024 was presented.	See Appendix
9.	Group Lead Volunteers Report	
	Group Scout Leaders Report 2023 -2024 was presented.	See Appendix
10.	AOB	
	There being no further business, the Chair thanked attendees for coming along and the meeting was closed at 20:30pm.	

AGREED to be a true and complete record of the meeting

Signed by the Committee Chair:

Dated: (subsequent Meeting):

Attachments:

- Beavers Leader's Report 2023 -2024
- Cub Leader's Report 2023 -2024
- Scout Leader's Report 2023 -2024
- Group Volunteer Leader's Report 2023 -2024
- Accounts Group Accounts 2023 -2024



- Accounts Hall Accounts 2023 -2024
- Policy update & Constitution 14th Andover (Stockbridge) Scout Group

14th Andover (Stockbridge) Reports April 2023 -August 2024

Beaver Leaders Section Report 2023 -2024

Frances Waghorn

Summer 2023

Beavers hit the ground running with camp cooking -popcorn, raft races on the local bunny (stream), obstacle races and pondipping and tracking on the marsh. They joined in with the Group and District for the annual Cirrus trip and prepared their Fathers Day Key rings. At the end of term they collected their builders, Navigation and Adventurers badge. The weather was highly variable – it always is on a Wednesday evening and our Be prepared motto is well learnt.

Autumn term 2023

Camp fires form a theme in all sections and we start them early in Beavers – ask them whats the best wood type, fire structure – they'll fill you in. So after starting with camp fire & pop corn we moved onto hiking around Danebury, and as the nights closed in Recycling and conservation and learnt about foods life styles and what the flags mean in Greece, Russia India & Italy. We joined in with the Group for Remembrance Sunday Service & Parade and family fireworks evening, and later in the term joined our Beaver friends in Andover for the poignant Christingle Service. We finished with a seasonal party and decorations. By the end of term we had earned a hike and our World, Global & international badges

Spring term 2024

As the new year started we moved into first aid and who's the most important person – You Beavers learnt recovery positions home, road, water and railway safety as well as personal & digital safety. We taught them how to use a landline phone and make an emergency phone call from a locked or mobile with no signal. They even used the red telephone kiosks in town –a week before BT removed the phones. In the process of this we did create traffic chaos as we learnt how to use the different crossings in town – apologies if you were affected. Mothersday presents were made and at the end of term we had chocolate hunts in the grounds. They made pancakes – yes they can cook & flip them safety. We completed our First Aid Safety & teamwork badges.

Summer 2024

Outside again we had campfires and learnt how to pt up a Scout tent. We learnt 3 types of knots and using tiny lengths of string joined them together with the knots we'd learnt to suspended a shelter. We learnt tracking on the marsh and made rafts, had obstacle courses on the rec club and water games when it was just too hot. We finished the term at Chilbolton -ponddipping. At the end of the term we'd gained our outdoor camp & hiking badges.

My Thanks go to parents Mr Patterson, Mr --- & Mr & Mrs Snieth for helping us, all parents for stepping up when needed. Our Young Ldrs Maddie & Daniel for helping – and reading what is going on in a Beavers mind. Lastly big Thanks go to Sam Perrit who has helped us and agreed to join our leadership team

& to you Parents thankyou – without the parent helpers we would not be able to do our exciting meetings.

Acting Beaver Leader

Frances Waghorn

Cub Leaders' Section Report Apr2023 -Dec 2024

Mo Collins



Summer term was as usual dominated by Summer Camp at Pony Field . We were transported to the plains of Africa to complete the Africa Challenge. We learned African drumming and dancing, had a go at textile printing, bead woggle making, air rifle target shooting, tracked big game using radios and built shelters to observe the animals . The weather was kind to us and of course much cake was consumed, songs song and chalky bottoms gained from playing in the Spinnny.

The rest of the term was hiking, playing in water, back woods cooking in bags, our annual nettle challenge, knife skills, craft and navigation and a visit from the Muslin Society.

Autumn term more fires of course, Parliament Week with our MP the Rt Honorable Caroline Noakes coming out to run a mock parliament for us, Scientist badge 3 weeks of pops, bangs, wizz and fizz, Hanukkah with our special guest Mrs HB guiding us through what it is to be jewish at this time of year. We also made beautiful clay poppies to decorate the church for remembrance and finished off with making personalised popcorn machines – narrowly averting burning down the hut! Autumn camp was at Ferny Crofts where we made rafts, go carted, went caving in a bus, threw tomahawks and ziplined.

I then passed over the baton to David and Elizabeth.

Mo Collins

Cub Leaders' Section Report Jan 2024 -Aug 2024

Elizabeth Salter & Dave Wilson

A slide presentation of exciting Cub activities was shown and this covered just some of the activities during the year .

Cubs, January to August, 2024

Congratulations to Nathaniel and Josh who achieved their Silver Chief Scout Award

Date	Event	Activities
01-Jan-24	New Year Celebrations and Dinner	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
08-Jan-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
15-Jan-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
22-Jan-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
29-Jan-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
05-Feb-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
12-Feb-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
19-Feb-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
26-Feb-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
05-Mar-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
12-Mar-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
19-Mar-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
26-Mar-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
02-Apr-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
09-Apr-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
16-Apr-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
23-Apr-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
30-Apr-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
07-May-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
14-May-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
21-May-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
28-May-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
04-Jun-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
11-Jun-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
18-Jun-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
25-Jun-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
02-Jul-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
09-Jul-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
16-Jul-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
23-Jul-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
30-Jul-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
06-Aug-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
13-Aug-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
20-Aug-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)
27-Aug-24	Winter Fun Day	Subs Games (Pen, Teamwork, goal, jump, ...)

With thanks to the Taylors of Wild Cherries, Ms. Alex, Ahmed, Neil, Sam, ... and Maddie

Thanks were given to the Taylors of Wild Cherries for the use of their garden and all the speakers and our occasional helpers who come out on a Wednesday evening to help with things (often at very short notice) without ever a grumble.

Cubs Scout Leader 14th Andover (Stockbridge) Cub Pack

E Salter & D Wilson



Scout Leaders' Section Report 2023 -2024

Mark Lovell

A slide presentation of exciting Scout activities was shown

Summer term 2023

The term started with preparation for our Expedition hike, we had the maps out and planned our route, settling on a starting point of Crab Wood following the Clarendon way, then the Test way into Stockbridge before an overnight stay at the Scout hut, and then continuing on down to finish at Romsey the next day. We also planted some saplings that had been given to us through the Woodland Trust along the fence line at the Scout hut. Then we had a beautiful, if slightly damp, walk in the bluebells at Bentley Woods, and our customary game of camouflage! The next week saw our annual Circus trip – many thanks to Mo for organising this, always a great evening.

We then planned and practised the meals we would be cooking on our expedition so the recipes were fresh in our minds for the following weekend when we would be coming in tired from a day's walking to cook them! We also sent the Scouts down to the Co-op in small groups as part of this evening as it is great practice for them to work out pricing and look out for special offers etc.

The expedition weekend dawned bright and sunny, and we set off through Farley Mount, with plenty of snacks and fresh legs. There were beautiful views, a historical monument to investigate, and a swarm of bees flying past all within the first few miles, but we settled into a steady rhythm and soon made it to Kings Somborne for lunch, where we were met by John with top ups of water and a chance to rest our legs for a while.

Onwards up and over the hill to drop down to the Test Way and along into Stockbridge, where we feasted on the crispy cakes we had made, and rested our feet, before the Scouts cooked their delicious tea's. We feasted on pancakes and fruit for pudding and settled down for a game or two before bed!

We slept well and started our second day with a cooked breakfast. Our Scouts always say one of the best bits of their camps is being able to cook for themselves and decide what they eat! Some make themselves scrambled or fried eggs, some go for the eggy bread option, and it's lovely seeing them take responsibility for feeding themselves!

Lunches made, and we set off down the Test Way towards Romsey, for part of the Expedition requirements, the Scouts walked some sections on their own in groups with Leaders at checkpoints. We had a welcome break at Poppies crafts for Ice creams (thank you Frances for treating us!), before tackling the last section through Fishlake meadows to the finish point at the Freedom Centre on the outskirts of Romsey with drinks and cakes. We walked a grand total of 17 miles, and resilience and perseverance were definitely needed on the second day for tired legs and minds!

Huge thanks to all involved in supporting us through this, Mr Cooper, Dan Robinson, Neil, Katelin, Kate Lewis and John Cocks.

The Monday evening afterwards the Scouts that took part gave a presentation to the rest of the group, and we enjoyed some games in the sunshine out at our farm!

After the half term break, we worked towards our Farming/Smallholders badge, we had several sessions out at the farm learning about beekeeping with demonstrations from Mark, and the Scouts extracting honey from the frames and taking small pots home for Father's Day.

We grew herbs from cuttings over the term, planted wildflowers, picked and ate some of the crops in our polytunnel, and learned about how our farm runs, explored how the combines and tractors work, and watched the barley grow steadily over the season.

We also had a go at orienteering, setting up a small course in our paddock to learn map orientation skills. Huge thanks to Bernie Fowler for helping us with this and bringing his chip timing course along.



We also had a great evening of wide games at Danebury organised by Henry and Max as part of their Gold award, and a brilliant evening at the golf driving range in Grateley.

We finished the summer term off with a troop forum, games and snacks at the farm, devising a relay race to practice the water lifesaving technique of using a throw rope.

Autumn term 2023

The term started with a walk on the farm and some team building activities to get to know our new members, followed by a session on wood chopping getting our firewood ready for bonfire night. We learn how do use four different techniques safely, chopping kindling with small axes and kindling splitters, sawing small logs on a sawhorse, and chopping large rounds of wood with big axes.

Next, we had an evening sculpting with clay, sewing badges on and doing the matchstick challenge, and then had a session making puppets using tools to bend metal joints to string them together.

Then we had our brilliant 'Boats and Battles' Day Camp down with New Forest Activities in Beaulieu.

We spent the morning canoeing on the Beaulieu River in the beautiful autumn sunshine, before heading to the woodland Battle Zone for Laser tag in the afternoon.

Ice creams revived us before we set off to walk through Beaulieu up to the campfire site where John and Zac met us with scrummy fish and chips round the fire. Hot chocolate, marshmallows and a game of camouflage in the dusk light finished off our lovely day, thoroughly enjoyed by all.

We night hiked, enjoyed the group fireworks display, and then had an excellent session at the army flying museum doing STEM activities provided by the aviation expert company Leonardo.

We joined with the Cubs and Beavers for the AGM, and then all turned up very smartly for Remembrance Sunday service at St. Peter's church in Stockbridge.

We had a session checking our tents in readiness for the patrol leaders camp & playing some hilarious games with dumpy bags involving lots of teamwork, we also learned about countryside code.

Then it was time for our eldest Scouts to wrap up warm and go on the Patrol leaders weekend camp organised by Hampshire Scouts. The forecast was for minus temperatures at night, and it did hit -3C at one point! But the days were sunny and crisp with beautiful late autumn sunshine, and all enjoyed it, made new friends and learned many leadership skills. The Scouts that went were noticeably more confident on the Monday evening's afterwards when organising games and activities, and it was a very worthwhile experience despite the freezing temperatures!

We had a lovely festive evening of old-fashioned fun at the Mill Arms skittles alley, with parents staying to socialise too, and then finished the term making beautiful floral Christmas table decorations with the help of Claire Robinson, huge thanks to her for sharing her expertise and for helping us forage for greenery.

Spring Term 2024

We made individual fires on our first chilly January night back after the Christmas break. Always a great evening as each Scout has responsibility for their own fire and cooked a delicious burger or halloumi to go in a bun with salad and sauces. We kept warm round our fires with hot chocolate and mulled apple too!

Then we had evenings with some games and challenges, before learning about the international issue of refugees. The Scouts tried to put themselves mentally in the shoes of a refugee family and we looked at the ration packs they are given to survive on.

Then we had an evening making simple flatbreads, the type that a refugee family would be able to make with their rations, followed by delicious pancakes with fruit and cream and syrup toppings, and we reflected on being thankful for the food we have abundantly to eat.

In half term Eva represented us at a District chess competition and did really well.

We started the second half of the term with an evening hike round Houghton, and then the following week we were lucky enough to be invited to The Houghton fishing club to be taught how



to gut and prepare trout. Huge thanks to Dan, his daughter and team from the club for organising it all for us.

We had a really interesting evening at the Freedom Centre in Romsey, where we saw how they support the community through their projects. We had a tour of the foodbank, weighed in our donations, role played how people are welcomed, and packed some bags of food ready to be distributed.

Then we learned about the role of the CAP debt help centre and were given some basic money management tips and sorted through essential and optional/luxury costs that we will have to budget for as we go through life. Then we had the opportunity for some quieter reflective time, to be thankful for things and people in our life and write prayers or hopes if they wished. We are very grateful to Beth, Eve and Deb's for opening up the centre out of hours and facilitating a very thought provoking and informative evening there.

Then we started work on the mechanics badge, first looking at how an engine works at the hut, with an amazing demonstration of how fuel powers a car! We also learned about what elements of car safety are checked in an MOT, and the costs of running a vehicle.

Huge thanks go to Jonny Perrett for our next session at the Mechanics workshop at Sparsholt college. He gave us a brilliant evening and taught the Scouts how to change tyres, check the air, tread depth, oil and coolant levels and showed us how a gearbox works. An invaluable experience for all. We finished the term with a messy but delicious session, the Scouts were given a variety of different chocolate and fondant icing items and challenged to make an Easter edible craft!

Summer term 2024

At the end of the easter holiday our Scouts were given the opportunity for some rifle shooting taster sessions in preparation for the District shooting competition. Many thanks go to James Clark from the 11th Andover group for providing excellent instruction to several of our Scouts that took part. Cody went on to compete at the Andover District event and was fantastic, coming 2nd in the under 12's standing shots.

Our first meeting of the term was our customary walk and game of camouflage in the Bluebells at Bentley woods.

Then we began our Mountain biking sessions, first learning how to do the basic ABC checks on our bikes to see if they were safe to ride and making any adjustments needed to seat height's, tyre pressures etc. We practiced in the paddock to assess everyone's abilities before setting off for our first ride on the tracks around our farm.

We had a break from cycling for our annual visit to Jay Miller's circus the following week, many thanks to Mo for organising this for the whole of the Andover District Scouts, Cubs and Beaver's, as always, a great evening.

We continued building maintenance skills and confidence with our bikes over the next two sessions, increasing the difficulty of the terrain and tracks we used and learning how to take wheels off, mend punctures, and place chains back on when they come off the gears.

We looked at the environmental impacts of cycling and revisited the countryside code and code of conduct for cycling, and then our final ride was our longest, tackling a section of the Test Way, met by Andrea with sandwiches halfway, and very grateful to Neil for his spare inner tube and quick tyre change!

Huge thanks must go to Neil, Dan Robinson, Jon Perrett, and Alex Kersley for helping us with the mountain biking sessions, your extra hands and expertise were invaluable.

We had an evening of games in the paddock, and a walk in our barley field on a beautiful summers evening. The Scouts always seem to love simply doing this, just walking up a tramline running their hands through the barley heads.



Sam and Frances stood in for us for two weeks as we headed to Scotland to take our daughter and friends to the Hebrides, and the Scouts enjoyed sessions of frisbee golf up at the army camp and some cooking at the hut.

And the last session of the term was doing some beautiful ink art with watercolour inks, the Scouts made thank you cards for their teachers or just wrote inspirational words.

Thank you must go to our wonderful team, Sam Smith, Neil Harrison, and all the parents who have helped us, Dan and Claire Robinson, Bryan and Sarah Glasspool, Sam and Jon Perrett, Alex Kersley, Andrea Zanchi, Mr Cooper, Katelin Lovell, John Cocks, Joe and Zach, our friends (and customers!) who have helped us run specific sessions like the fish gutting and golf, and of course the leaders in the other sections, Mo, Frances, David, Elizabeth and all those behind the scenes who make the Stockbridge group happen and keep the hut up and running.

Many thanks

Mark and Gretta Lovell & Sam Smith

Mark Lovell

Scout Leader 14th Andover (Stockbridge) Scout Troop

GSL Group Report 2023 -2024

F Waghorn

Having just heard all the section reports you're struck by how much the Group has achieved with a core team of Leaders, assistants, helpers and Young leaders; we've shown that we can survive the ups & downs of family life & still deliver a really good quality scouting programme for all abilities

So as GSL (now GLV) I'm not about to compete with that – the credit is the Leaders – and on your behalf I'd like to thank all Leaders, adults including parents, young leaders and those who help on an ad hoc basis for their continued dedication and loyalty to our Group.

Behind the scenes- It's the now Trustee board who keep us on the straight and narrow, usually a quiet background role but without them we cannot function – they keep us safe and legal and financially afloat. So Victor Mo & Marie – Thank you and to you all leaders and parents who have contributed by helping us with advise.

We now continue in our new roles for the coming year & adjust to the new rules for running the Group.

An even bigger Thankyou must go to Mo & Leigh who after last years recovery of the £12,000 from OSM/ GoCardless have persevered with trying to recover the interest lost.

We also thank our Community Representatives Tony Clayton & Mr & Mrs Taylor for their help maintaining our profile within the local community.

Our Hall Management Committee – for the upkeep of the Hall - as you can see is lovely and well maintained.

So as you've heard we've lost Mo & Megan – and I've also had the heads up from Dave & Elizabeth Dave is relocating to Salisbury – & Elizabeth is working away from home.

If anyone is interested in a role share or supporting the Cub leadership team – please contact me or one of us & well fill you in on the role

I still need a full time Beaver leaders – anyone ?

Our helpers include many of you as parents – within all the sections Beavers Cubs & Scouts. In addition we have those who have moved away – travelling from across the UK –

So I'd like to thank

- Scouting team Mark Lovell Sam Smith & Gretta with Dan Robinson, Bryan Glasspool, & Neil Harrison, Jon Cock, and the Gerrads .



- Our Cub team Mo -Akela, Megan – Nag, Elizabeth Salter & Dave Wilson, & Neil Harrison sadly we lost David Sawyer due to family commitments.- although hes still on our hit list.
- And finally our young Leaders Alex, Maddie, Daniel & Hannah.
- Our Hall team – with Leigh who also remains at the end of the phone as our in touch person
- Grateful thanks go to the Taylors of Wild Cherries – we ‘ve had another wonderful year digging firepits in their garden, with the safe space to Scavenger hunt, and navigate & track. We appreciate their patience.

Leaders families – thank you for your patience and support – the dinners are always ready when we get home after 9 or 10 at night and the carting of us and kit for camps.

If I’ve missed any one – sorry

As you probably know our local Explorer Unit Yeti closed At April this year 2024, this was sad but if anyone fancies taking on the leadership role please let us know.

So you’ve heard a lot about the Trusttee board and the new structure for Scouting. This is to bring us inline with Charties Commission and their roles.

So as a Group we are a Charity and whereas before you the Group Scout Council held the AGM the Chair is now appointed by you and also the Treasurer & Secratray. We must at all meetings nominate a note taker – who may not vote.

Whereas before Leaders could not have roles on the Exec –Trustee Board they can now and so By having leaders who understand how the Scouts, OSM and the money flows we’re hoping the OSM GoCardless issue will not arise again for others as it has for us and the other unfortunate few.

Looking at the Organogram the roles are now blended and although the roles are specific a leader may have a managerial, plan & deliver meetings within the Group.

All roles now are dbsed and new volunteers are supported with training for the role they wish to help with.

If you wish to help us please do catch one of us and plan

Please please remember that for us to stay safe & legal we are jumping through even bigger hoops – all activities are risk assessed to the ninth degree and with that comes a lot of restrictions. Scouting is a tradition and to teach your child to light a fire say comes with a lot of assessment including adults being present.

If we ask for help – please do come forward – we like you have families and homes – we are volunteers but need you to help us when we call out - if everyone gives up 30 mins -2 hours of time to help us we would have toasted marshmallows, or clear camp / meetings so much quicker and I know from having parents help on Beaver Raft building evenings you have fun too !

Group Scout Leaders Report 2023- 2024

Frances Waghorn



Treasurers Financial Report & Accounts 2024 2023 -2024

Mo Collins

14TH ANDOVER (STOCKBRIDGE) SCOUTS

TREASURERS REPORT FINANCIAL YEAR 23/24

Treasurer Report 14th Andover (Stockbridge) Scout Group March 23-Aug 24 This is an unusual report as it is for 18 months rather than the usual 12. This is because we have decided to move the reporting of our financial year from a business year -April - March to an academic year Sept to Aug to fit in with the way we run our group. One of the main drivers for this was to get a greater understanding of our spending. Previously we have had difficulties because often events such as circus or camps would take payment in one financial year and actually occur in another. We have had concerns about expenditure vs our income for a couple of years now and our goal for this set of accounts was to get to the bottom of what was the true state of our accounts were we economically sustainable moving forward. Part of our unavoidable expenditure is our capitation to HQ. As you can see from the accounts we have to send a significant proportion of our income to HQ just to be a scout group. Unfortunately (or fortunately depending on how you see it) the accounts have revealed that our subscriptions £6,822.91 are not even meeting our capitation bill £7,106.80, let alone covering things like insurance or running the weekly programme. The accounts look falsely rosey due to the £13,246.38 return from GoCardless. If we take that out of the accounts along with a £1000 grant we received from Test Valley Council (as part of the warm space grants) what we actually see is an overspend of £5520.94. Further to the GoCardless situation which we disclosed to you all last year. I did put in a formal complaint to the financial ombudsman. Unfortunately their finding was that we were 50:50 responsible for the situation we found ourselves in and therefore we were not entitled to our interest or any compensation. Camps are generally run at cost and occasionally make a very small profit, but that is not the aim of them. We want to run them at as low a price as possible to make them accessible to as many people as possible, however we have seen the cost of living situation pushing up the price. As you can see from the accounts that we have been nibbling into our reserves funds to pay for the running of the group (insurances and general costs) and the weekly programme. This is not sustainable. Whilst I will keep looking for and apply for grants, grants are not a sustainable or responsible way to fund our accounts. Therefore this September I proposed to the executive committee, and it was agreed, that we raised the subs from £38 for the first child and £30 for subsequent children per term effectively £3.80 or £3.00 per session to £50 per term for all children - £5 per meeting. While I don't disagree that this is a large jump in price, we are still cheaper than some groups and comparable to others. I am hopeful that this should cover our expenditure going forward and make us economically viable. As you can see we are holding just over £9k in an interest bearing account as our reserve funds. I would just like to take a moment to thank Mrs Leigh Dance (Badger) for her unending support and fabulous cups of tea, in helping me work through the accounts, keeping me straight and helping me find the missing pennies when the spread sheets don't add up. Questions?

Treasurer Stockbridge Scout Group

Mo Collins

Scrutineer for Financial Statement Apr 2023 - August 2024

Leigh Dance



Financial Group Summary of Accounts 2024 2023 -2024

14 ANDOVER (STOCKBRIDGE) SCOUT GROUP STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

Annual Accounts (1 st April 2022 to 31 st March 2023)		Annual Accounts (1 st April 2023 to 31 st August 2024)	
Cash/bank balance as at 1 st April 2022	£6,259.80	Cash/bank balance as at 1st April 2023	£6,450.30
<u>INCOME</u>		<u>INCOME</u>	
Subscriptions	£2,821.83	Subscriptions	£6,822.91
Camp fees	£2,533.00	Camp fees	£4,116.00
T Shirts, etc	£357.00	badges/neckers	£441.20
Hut Return	£0.00	Group fundraising	£352.85
Donations/fundraising	£10,005.70	Donations/grants	£1,179.93
Circus/Spinnaker	£5,449.23	Circus23 &24	£5,320.50
Misc	£95.47	bank refund	£13,246.38
Total (A)	<u><u>£21,262.23</u></u>	Total (A)	<u><u>£31,479.77</u></u>
<u>EXPENSES</u>		<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Subs	£4,445.45	Capitation	£7,106.80
T-Shirts/Hoodies	£0.00	Group expenditure	£3,770.55
Hut expenses	£0.00	Programme	£2,310.19
Camps fees	£1,474.98	Camps fees	£3,339.86
Badges	£0.00	Grants	£1,352.91
Donations	£7,570.70	Circus23&24	£6,037.00
Miscellaneous	£4,604.80	Bank return transfer	£7,000.00
Insurance			
Total (B)	<u><u>£18,095.93</u></u>	Total (B)	<u><u>£30,917.31</u></u>
Income less expenses (A-B)	£3,166.30	Income less expenses (A-B)	£562.45
Money in bank at 1 st April 2022	£6,259.80	Money in bank at 1st April 2023	£6,450.30
	<u><u>£9,426.10</u></u>		<u><u>£7,012.75</u></u>
Bank balance as at 31 st March 2023	£6,450.30	True deficit	£5,520.94
		Bank balance as at 31st August 2024	£7,012.76
		Cash held in savings accounts	£8,041.35
			1,043.71
		Total Assets	£16,097.82

I confirm this is a true record of the accounts as to 31/Aug/24

M. Curran
25-09-24

Accounts checked by
h. Dance 27.09.24
with information provided to me

Dance