

1ST CUDDINGTON SEA SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305711

Details

Other names	WARSPITE SEA SCOUTS
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1961-08-16
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: PURPOSES OF 1ST CUDDINGTON SEA SCOUT GROUP

Activities: The Group is established under the auspice of The Scout Association and it is operated under the rules that are common to all Scout Groups. The Group provides for 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 community.

Classification

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

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** CUDDINGTON AND DISTRICT
- Kingston Upon Thames
- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£130,283	£123,913	-	-
2024-03-31	£124,970	£153,571	-	-
2023-03-31	£106,498	£113,595	-	-
2022-03-31	£97,630	£78,347	-	-
2021-03-31	£85,034	£52,747	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
GRAHAM MICHAEL JOHN NASH	Chair	
CLAIRE HUNT		
Christopher Philip Bishop		2022-02-17
Daniel James Webber		2018-09-10
Gary David Seeley		2023-05-31
Kelly Bishop		2023-09-11
PETER JAMES WEEKES		2012-09-14
RICHARD NEIL HUNT		
Richard Callaghan		2017-09-11
Thomas Steven Randall		2015-09-14
Tracy Ann Siner		2023-04-06

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Members of the Scout Troop and Explorer Unit sailing in the Netherlands with our Dutch Sister Group, Karel Doorman Zeeverkenkers as part of the 2024 Summer Camp.

Scouts 
1st Cuddington
(Warspite) Sea Scouts



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Trust & Teamwork are core values, shown here by our Cub Scouts.



Our Squirrel Scouts show the importance of the "out" in "Scout"



GROUP DETAILS

1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group

Registered Charity Number: 305711

Group Headquarters:

Warspite Sea Scouts HQ
Cunliffe Road
Ewell
Epsom
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Water Activities Centre:

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Surrey.
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All Correspondence to:

Graham Nash, Chairman of Trustees
87 Castle Avenue, East Ewell, Surrey. KT17 2PJ

Group Secretary: Kirsty Watson

Trustees for year:

Changes in Policy, Organisation and Rules which were adopted as our constitution in September 2024 and resulted in a reduced maximum Trustee Board membership. As a result a number of brilliant and committed trustees retired at this time.

Graham Nash Chairman

Gary Seeley Treasurer

Kirsty Watson

Claire Hunt

Richard Callaghan

Michelle Zal

Thomas Randall

Peter Weekes

Kelly Bishop

Daniel Webber

Richard Hunt Group Lead Volunteer

Chris Bishop

Tracey Siner

Suzanne Pearson Retired September 2024

Hazel Draper Retired September 2024
Shirley Clifton Retired September 2024
Linda Grant Retired September 2024
Paul Draper Retired September 2024
Gareth Weekes Retired September 2024

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Agenda for Annual General Meeting on Monday 8th September 2025 at 20:00

1. Introduction and welcome

2. Apologies for absence

3. Governance topics

- a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 09/09/2024
- b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
- c. Note the Group's financial year be 1st April to 31st March.
- d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council
- e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board to be a maximum of 12.
- f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM)

4. Review of the previous year

- a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the 1st Cuddington (Warspite)
- b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts

5. Making appointments

- a. Appoint the Group Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board as Graham Nash.
- b. Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board as Gary Seeley.
- c. Note the appointment as Group Secretary of Kirsty Watson
- d. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board
- e. Appoint the Independent Examiner

6. Closing remarks



Minutes for Annual General Meeting on Monday 9th September 2024 at 20:00 at Warspite HQ

1. Chairman's Welcome and opening remarks. Round of applause for our tea and coffee makers. The Chair gave an explanation of the new format of the AGM. Safety announcement made and Fire exits & meeting point explained. The Group recognised the loss of Rosemarie Brooker who was a leader and supporter of Warspite, who died a short while ago and sent its condolences of the group go to Len, Karl & Kurt on their loss.

2. Apologies for absence: Derek Randall and Matthew Pettipher-Young.

3a. Consideration and approval of the minutes of the 11/9/2023 Annual General Meeting - Seconded by Dean Clifton.

3b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR). In line with the recommendation from Scout Headquarters, the Group Trustee Board proposes we adopt the model constitution from Chapter 5 of Policy, Organisation and Rules. Seconder Suzanne Pearson.

3c. Note the groups financial year is 1st April 2023 - 31st March 2024.

3d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council

The Chair notes the Group Scout Council (this meeting) can admit other people to membership. There are no members above those set out in POR, which are:

- all adult members of the Group
- all Patrol Leaders of the Troop in the Group
- all parents or carers of Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts in the Group
- all Explorers
- all parents and carers of Explorers,
- the District Commissioner
- the District Chair

As there are no other members, there is no vote necessary.

3e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board. The outgoing Trustee Board recommends that 12 people are appointed. Seconder Claire Hunt.

3f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM). The Group Scout Council must agree its quorum – the minimum number of Group Scout Council members that must be present at Group Scout Council meetings. The outgoing Trustee Board recommends the quorum should be set at 10 members including the two of GSL, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary

Seconder George Ridge.

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4a Review of the previous year by the Group Lead Volunteer.

Having just completed an amazing summer including international camping, a brilliant cub camp and a superb National Regatta - it seems strange not to be talking about any of that. We are going to be talking about the year that ended in March.

Now that is a while back, so I want to remind you of a little bit that went on.

We camped, we canoed, we won the regatta, we started Squirrels properly (massive shout out to Tracy, Egg, Derek and the rest of the Squirrel team), we won 2 trophies at the Great River Race, we had first nights awards and top awards, we had campfires, silly games, litter picking, paddle boarding, bowling, climbing, rowing, sailing and much more.

We worked with our friends at Ajax Sea Scouts on dinghy sailing and activities, with Surrey Scouts to train a new generation of paddlesports instructors, with RNLI Teddington to share information and prepare for our RNLI 200 event. We hosted our fantastic Dutch colleagues from Karel Doorman in Bergen-Op-Zoom and we visited the Netherlands with leaders and Explorers, ready for this year's Camp.

We celebrated young people taking on new challenges - both personally and on the water; and we recognised extraordinary performances from our older young people. We welcomed new volunteers, trained skills and thanked our long standing members.

In many cases the ordinary was extraordinary. For me, there were a couple of events that showed me just how brilliant our adults and young people were. I could have picked from hundreds, but the two that I am going to use relate to the summer camp season - and the rather wet year we had.

○ The first one is the Scout team and leaders. With under 24 hours notice, we switched our camp site to the other side of Christchurch, and from a riverside field to a series of small plots. The plan for the week, the style of camping and the organisation was all going to need rebuilding. Did that phase the adults or the young people? Nope - taken in their stride, a brilliant week had, and I doubt anyone that didn't know would have an inkling.

o The second one is our Explorer Scouts. A riverside field, a high river and a particularly high tide all resulted in a bit of a tidal river coming into some Explorer bell tents. No real fuss - new tents up and everyone relocated to higher ground. As they finished sorting themselves out, the Explorers woke their leaders to let them know what was happening - and helpfully put a yellow "damp floor" in the emptied out tent. What struck me was that not only was the situation sorted (and if that doesn't talk to resilience, teamwork and leadership, little will), but the absolute pride of their leaders that their Explorers had sorted the situation.

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But aside from the activities, 2023/24 was a momentous year for the group. We signed a new joint lease at the Water Activities Centre with our landlord Elmbridge Borough Council, for the joint Warspite Ajax land - including extending our rights on the riverside to match our new fence line and the creation of a new storage compound in the car park - as well as cleaning it up and resurfacing the entire car park. The latter was another great example of teamwork between the Warspite & Ajax; and with help from parents and volunteers across all sections. The new compound has made an immediate and positive difference to the Groups. My thanks in particular to Andrew Roberts and Andy Davison of Ajax for their work on this project.

The HQ has also had enormous changes, led by a maintenance team of Graham, Paul and Ian. Not only have they personally done much of what you see around you, but they also spearheaded the replacement of the ceiling - a massive and transformational project.

My massive thanks to everyone who was part of the Group, from parents to young people, volunteers to Trustees.

4b Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts

My name is Gary Seeley and I have been the Treasurer since September last year Thanks to Malcolm Hunt for his 18 years of service to the Group.

A copy of the annual accounts which I have put together is available for you to look through via the QR code. This has been signed off by an Independent Examiner who acts as an auditor for charities. The annual accounts run from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024. It shows a detailed breakdown of expenditure and income over that period as well as the breakdown of monies held in the bank.

Summary page at the start shows the headline figures as well as last year's figures to give a comparison, leading through to the last two pages giving a full breakdown of expenditure and receipts. It's been a fairly strong year for the Group with 173 people paying monthly subs and regular donations by the end of the financial

year contributing to the Group's funds looking healthy.

Thanks to fundraising, donations, grants and prudent fund management, we have been able to hold the subs amount since 2009, an incredible 15 years, but, with the continual rise in our costs and as you will already know, we have now had to increase the amount to £20 per month. But I'm sure you'll agree, this still represents incredible value for money.

We have had high expenditure for the Group, but also, good revenue all of which is listed on the accounts.

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Expenditure

As you can all see, one of the main projects has been the ceiling replacement to our hall which has made a huge improvement and a lot of work has been carried out at the water activity centre with a large project now nearly completed to create an enclosed trailer park area behind the main building.

Revenue

The Group puts in an annual application to HMRC for a Gift Aid refund for all admissible subs and donation payments received. We have just received refund of nearly £7K from HMRC for the year 2023/4. This represents a much needed boost to our funds.

This is why it is so important to fill in your gift aid forms please

It has been a successful year for sourcing grants and donations. As well as Fundraising Richard has done an incredible job in sourcing grants and Graham continues his brilliant work on fundraising Over £20K in grants and donations Over £7K in fundraising To further enhance our income, we hire out the hall to a few trusted groups giving us an income for the year 2023/4 of over £3K

All in all a fairly good year for the Group and with your continued support we will continue the good work.

5 Making Appointment

Before making appointments, the Group recognised the service of the retiring trustees.

Paul Draper	A key part of sectional leadership team of our older sections, with involvement in both Scouts & Explorers.
Hazel Draper	Trustee since before the year 2000 - 24 active years on the committee. Will remain an active member of the Group leadership team.
Shirley Clifton	Stepping down as a Trustee after 17 years on the committee. Will remain a very active part of our Group leadership
Suzanne Pearson	Stepping down to form a new social committee, which is already active and making a difference.
Linda Grant	Stepping Down as Beaver Leader. Beaver Leader for 10 years, member of Beaver Leadership for 20 years and a trustee for a decade.

Gareth Weekes	A member of the committee since 2011; and a key member of our adult and activity teams, and will remain so.
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5b Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board as Gary Seeley.

5c Note the appointment as Group Secretary of Kirsty Watson

5d Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board: Tom Randall, Peter Weekes, Chris Bishop, Claire Hunt, Tracy Siner, Daniel Webber, Richard Callaghan, Michelle Zal, Kelly Bishop. Richard Hunt, as Group Lead Volunteer, is Ex Officio

5e Appoint the Independent Examiner. This was delegated by the meeting to Group Treasurer, Chair and Lead Volunteer.

Awards & Closing Remarks

Badges

Chief Scouts Platinum - Caleb Zurich

Nautical Skills 6 - Migle Eskyte

Time on the Water - Elizabeth Collins

Nights Away 100 - Evelyn Hunt; Joseph Seager

Nights Away 200 - Freya Hunt

AGM Awards 2024

- Don Everitt Award - Scouts - Sophie Heard
- Don Everitt Award - Explorers - Joseph Seager
- Recce Hutchinson Award for Camping (Scouts) - Alex Horsman
- John Dore Award for Camping - Grace Walker
- Dave Rich Award for Leadership - Charlie Hillsley

Adult Awards

Awards that will be presented another time:

- Matthew Pettipher-Young -10 Years Service and a Good Service Commendation
- Deborah Slater 10 Years Service and Good Service Commendation
- Paul Draper - Good Service Commendation
- Thomas Randall - Good Service Commendation
- Derek Randall - Award of Merit

Awards presented tonight

- Suzanne Pearson - 5 years Service
- Daniel Webber - 5 years Service
- Lauren Mansell - Good Service Commendation
- Hazel Draper - Award of Merit

- Frank Webber - Bar to Award of Merit

Certificates were presented to the National Regatta crews.

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The naming of Rosemarie and a Salute to Len Brooker

In March 2025, the group gathered to We were able to name and launch our new "Home Counties" Sea Scout Gig "Rosemarie"

Named in memory of a remarkable volunteer by her husband Len, "Rosemarie" was purchased by the Group from the Sea Rangers with funding from the Royal Navy thanks to our RN Recognised Sea Scout status.

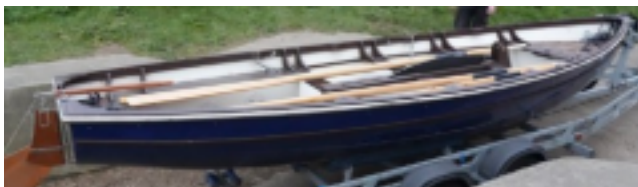
After naming, she led a row past to salute Len as he moves to spend time with family in Canada. Over the decades, Len has rebuilt a number of boats and 4 of them followed "Rosemarie" down the river including:

- Onrad - the class prototype that Len rebuilt in the 1990s.
- Darno - a vessel he resurrected after we were gifted it by another group.
- Len Brooker - a gig we named in Len's honour after he resurrected it over the pandemic following its gifting to Warspite.
- Adron - a Sea Cadet ASC which Len rebuilt in the 2000s

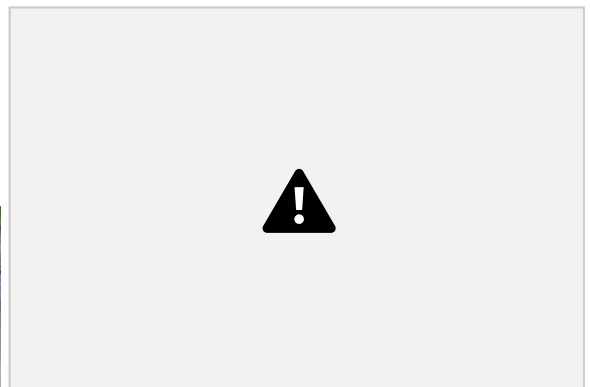
Len presently has to use a wheelchair and the vessel we were able to get him afloat in is the Group's Wheelyboat.

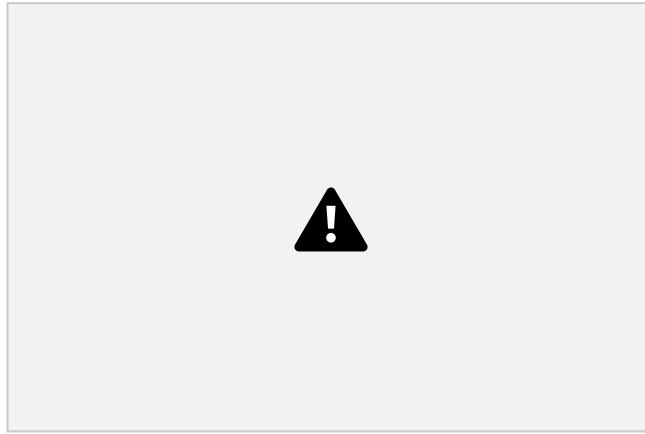
It is designed to be able to transport, and be driven by, wheelchair users. It is named in honour of Don Everitt, another former Warspite leader and close friend of Len & Rosemarie's. Len and Don volunteered together over the years in running activities, leading the Explorer unit and numerous Summer Camps.

As each boat, rowed by young people of the group ranging from our youngest Scout to our oldest



Explorer,





passed Len they raised their oars in the traditional "Toss Oars" salute.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/04/24 to 31/03/25

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to keep accounting records and prepare annual statements of account for the Charity, which must be audited or independently examined and provided to the Charity Commission. In preparing the annual statements of accounts the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Comply with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the annual statement of accounts; and

- Prepare the annual statement of accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and are responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activity of the Charity

The Group currently has an active Squirrel Drey, Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Scout Pack, Sea Scout Troop and Explorer Sea Scout Unit. All sections meet once a week. Key details of each Section are as follows as at 31st March 2025 . The Squirrels section is for boys and girls aged 4 to 6 years. It had 21 members (2024: 15 members.) . The Beaver Scout Colony is for boys and girls aged 5¾ to 8 years. It had 22 members (2024: 27 members). . The Cub Scout Pack is for boys and girls aged 8 to 10½ years. It had 44 members (2024: 48 members). . The Sea Scout Troop is for boys and girls aged 10½ to 14½. It had 49 members (2024: 56 members) . The Explorer Sea Scout Unit is attached under a Partnership Agreement from Epsom & Ewell Scout District. It is for boys and girls aged 14½ to 18. It had 21 members (2024: 28 members)

It is noted that the Group is near capacity meaning that space for future expansion is limited. All Sections have continued to work in accordance with the progressive training scheme as laid down by the Scout Association. The Group has continued to operate a Royal Yachting Association recognised teaching establishment based at the Water Activities Centre and operated jointly with Ajax Sea Scouts. The Group's adult volunteers include a number of RYA, British Rowing and British Canoeing Coaches.

The Group is one of just 103 Sea Scout groups recognised by the Royal Navy. This prestigious and beneficial recognition requires a rigorous regular inspection.

Reserves

The Trustees have adopted a formal policy on reserves, which is reflected in these accounts. The policy provides that reserves be maintained at a level which has regard to:

- The risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure varying from that budgeted
- The planned activity level
- The Group's commitments
- The need for adequate readily realisable resources to meet the Group's commitments for the coming twelve month period.

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Readily realisable resources are defined as the balances at the bank less net current liabilities and the balances on restricted funds. The level of reserves available at 31st March 2025 under the policy is:

1. **General Reserves. - £25,000.**
2. **Designated reserves;** These are funds that are held to allow the Group to replace/part replace key assets in the event of damage or loss. The Trustees believe these assets are key to running the Group. If utilized, the funds should be replaced as soon as possible.
 - 2.1. **Buildings - £5,000**
 - 2.2. **Boats - £5,000**
 - 2.3. **Equipment - £5,000**
 - 2.4. **Minibus - £10,000.**

3. **Specific Designated Reserves:** There are funds to support major projects which have been agreed but not yet fully implemented.

3.1. Water Activities Centre Development - £25,000

Investment Policy: In the event that the Group has monies that are in excess of that required to meet day to day expenditure and pending major expenditure the Treasurer has the authorization to place them on a term deposit subject to the following restrictions: The deposit to be held with a UK based bank authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, the maximum term is 12 months & the total amount is not expected to be more than 50% of Reserves. In the event that the Group has additional monies scheduled for a pending future asset purchase a suitable deposit based on anticipated timescale may be made with the prior agreement of the Executive Committee. Non cash deposits or investments are not permitted.

Governance: The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, The By Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association. The Group is a Trust established under rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

The Group is managed by a Trustee Board made up of all the charity's trustees. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making of appropriate returns to the Charity Commission.

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

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support

Risk Assessment: The Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate their effects as follows:

- *Damage to buildings and equipment:* The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to militate against permanent loss.
- *Injury to leaders, members and helpers:* The leaders and members, through the capitation fees, contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Helpers are covered under a separate accident insurance policy, which the Group purchases annually. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

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- *Reduced income from fund raising:* The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could increase the level of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group either temporarily or permanently.
- *Reduction or loss of members:* The Group provides activities for young people aged 5¾ to 18. If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or of the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

The Group requires two signatories for all cheque payments to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of money and holds comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. An exception is where the Trustee Board has authorised the Group Treasurer to make payments up to a pre-agreed limit via

the Group's Bank internet system.

Group Objectives: The aim of the Group is 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 community. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by trained adult leadership.

Public Benefit: The Group actively delivers 'Every Child Matters' outcomes:

Be Healthy – We provide access to exercise. This is particularly important for those young people who do not enjoy conventional sport.

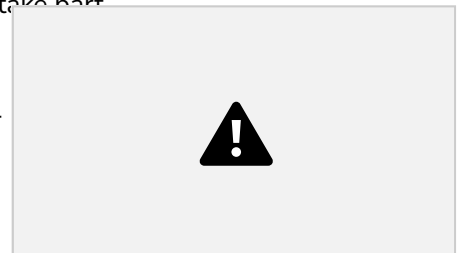
Stay Safe – We offer the chance to undertake adventurous activities within a risk assessed framework

Enjoy and Achieve – We provide an enjoyable learning experience for young people.

Make a Positive Contribution – We offer the opportunity for young people to support and lead others. We also offer the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised qualification in personal skills such as sailing and canoeing and we can help them gain coaching qualifications. Most young people who belong to the Group also undertake some form of community service during the course of their membership.

Although a small subscription is charged for membership, this covers no more than the immediate running costs of the Group does not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the practice that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions or fees charged for camps or outings. The Group endeavours to obtain bursaries and/or grants for those who could not otherwise afford to take part.

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



Sailing in the Netherlands

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Group Chairman's Report

Last year, the Scout Association implemented a new hierarchy that groups should adhere to which meant that, in our case, there was to be a "slimming down" of the number of trustees who used to serve on the now superseded Group Executive Committee.

The Board of Trustees is the new body of people who meet regularly to discuss the "higher-level" aspects, rather than the more exciting operational stuff.

I won't go into the administrative details here, but I just wanted to thank those who retired their trusteeship as a re

sult of these changes, many of whom had served in this capacity for many years.

Virtually all of these people retain roles elsewhere in the management of the group and we are genuinely lucky to have such a dedicated bunch of folk performing these functions.

Back at the “coal-face”, so to speak, it’s been another highly successful year for the group, with almost record membership across the sections enjoying a fantastic programme of adventures and activities.

Of course we face challenges, one of the most evident being the need to provide adequate volunteer support for such a large group.

Volunteering with Warspite is as rewarding as it is fun, in whatever capacity.

The pay is lousy, but the working environment is fantastic, the “colleagues” are awesome, and the rewards really are tangible.

If you think you might enjoy getting involved for as much or as little as you are able, we’d love to hear from you.



But, if active volunteering isn’t your thing, the positive support we receive from parents or guardians is also immensely important.

So here’s to another great year at Warspite.

Graham Nash
Group Chairman



Group Scout
Leader's Report

As you will have seen the year from April 2024 to March 2025 has been full of Scouting at every level, from the epic to the individual. There has been regatta wins, Great River Race success, the flexibility to deal with a massive sunken boat outside our centre, an epic trip to the Netherlands for our Scouts and Explorers, first camps, last camps and fantastic nights away. There have been fires, sausages, challenges, badges and awards. We have had adult volunteers and Explorers achieve national coaching qualifications in Paddleboards, Kayaks and Powerboating to allow us to deliver fantastic & safe activities.

Two moments provide a perfect illustration of the range of scale and impacts over the last year.

- In 2024 we celebrated the 200th Birthday of the RNLI. To celebrate, and fundraise, we coordinated other local Sea Scout groups in bringing well over 200 people afloat on a July evening. Joined by our local Teddington RNLI Lifeboat, we filled the Thames outside Hampton Court with boats and smiles. It was a great reflection of how we can bring the community together.
- In March, at our new Cub sleepover, the young people tried lighting a small fire using a spark from a flint and steel. This needs perseverance, concentration and a little luck. To see those who thought they couldn't persist and achieve was a brilliant example of the individual challenges which are the bedrock of Scouting.

None of this would be possible without an amazing and varied team of volunteers - including those over and under 18, those working with young people and those facilitating. My massive thanks to them all for their dedication, their skills and most of all their good humour. This year has seen some changes to our volunteer team that do deserve a moment of reflection.

At the end of the year, Linda stood down from running our Beaver Scouts weekly. Whilst still part of the Warspite team, she has stepped back following 20 years of weekly meetings and handed the reins to Deborah and Orion. Words cannot express our thanks to Linda, but the size of the crowd that showed up for her final muster in charge gave a good impression! Perhaps the best words are those of two of "her" Beavers:

"I am forever grateful that you introduced me to my favourite thing ever Sea Scouts. Thank you so much for all you have done for the group and for leading such a great Beaver Colony."

"you have made a huge difference to not only my childhood but every child who went through beavers."

In July, 2024 Rosemarie Brooker passed away. Rosemarie had given over 30 years service as a Beaver Leader, Cub Leader and Trustee. From weekly musters to fire station visits, she provided fantastic experiences for young people. At the end of the year, Rosemaries' husband Len also stepped back from day to day Scouting- which in Len's case has been 30 plus years in charge of our boat fleet. Len's legacy is huge and involves the complete rebuild of a number of our rowing boats. In March 2025 we were able to welcome Len back to the Water Activity Centre to name our "new to us" gig in honour of Rosemarie.

In February 2025, Nigel Mansell, a long time member of the group passed away after an illness. Butty, as he was known to us, was a major part of the Cub Camp kitchen volunteers for many years.

We, and I, are grateful for the extraordinary commitment of our volunteer teams, from our longest serving volunteers to those who have joined over this last year. Together they allow us to support our young people in their development.

Richard Hunt. Group Lead Volunteer (GLV)

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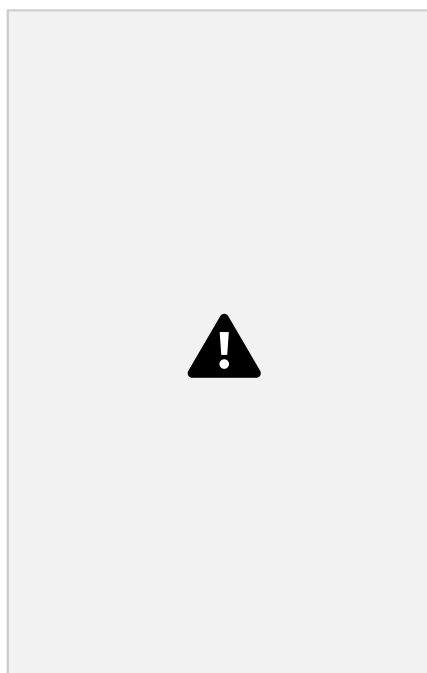


Karel Doorman Group, The Netherlands

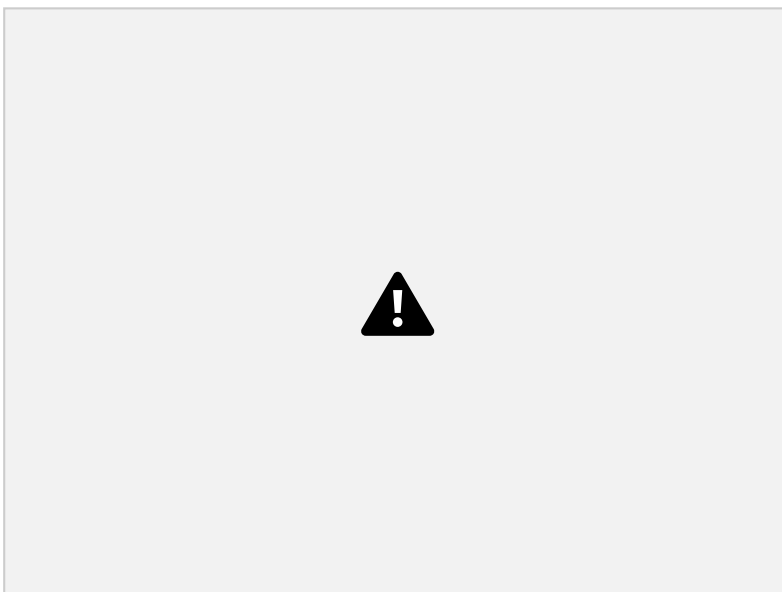
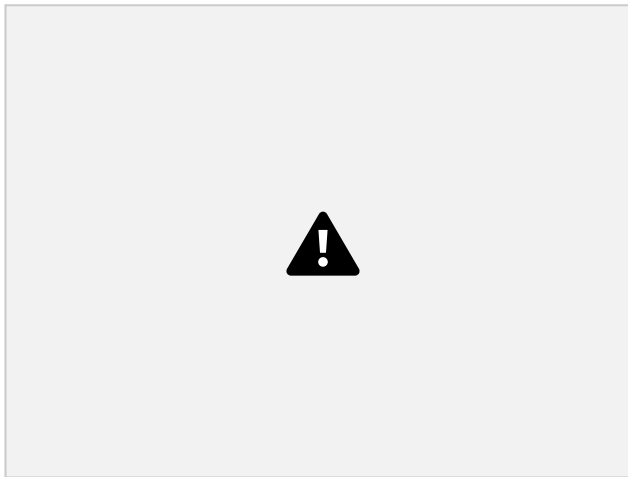
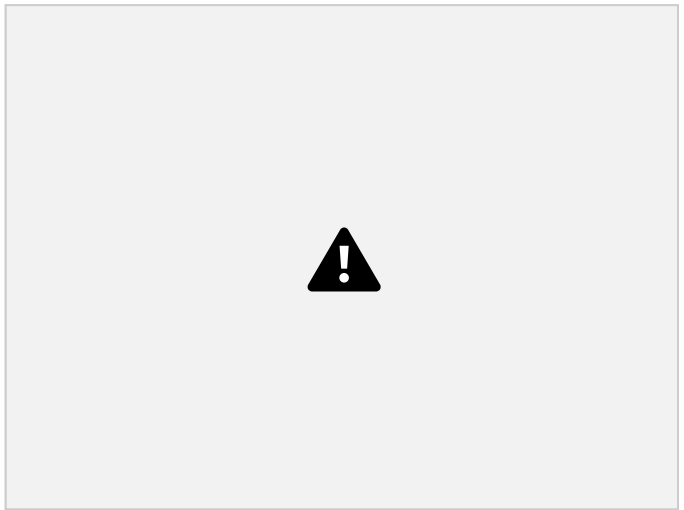
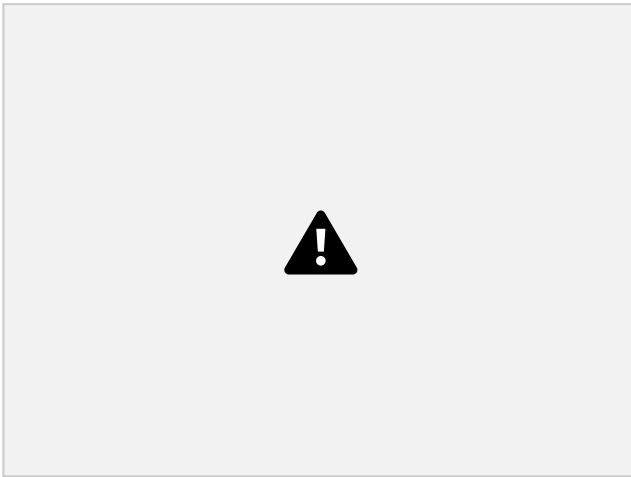
For 40 years, Warspite has had a close relationship with Karel Doorman Groep; a Dutch Sea Scout group based in Bergen Op Zoom in the southern Netherlands, based around reciprocal camps. In Summer 2024; our Scouts and Explorers travelled to Bergen Op Zoom for a week of adventure & international Scouting.

Their program included local boating, a chance to explore another culture, a night away in Belgium for the Explorer Unit, a visit to the Kanoa activity park (including high ropes, a kayak trip & canoe diving), an international disco, a trip to the Commonwealth War Graves in town, good food, great friends and the spirit of international Scouting.

As leaders we shared program ideas, stories, successes and challenges; and we are all better for it. These adventures, and the learning that they bring, are only possible due to the support and friendship of the volunteers and young people of Karel Doorman.



4th Scout Law: A Scout belongs to the world-wide family of Scouts.



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Squirrel Scout Section Report

Tracy (Lead volunteer for squirrels)

24/25 was another fun packed year for squirrels. We met new friends and said goodbye to others as they moved onto beavers. As we are into our third year

and the squirrels are spending longer with us the number of acorn awards are increasing, we were proud to award 6 last year. (This is the highest award a squirrel can earn).

We are a family friendly unit and we continue to have parents and carers attend with their squirrel. All the main carers attending are DBS checked and we have had one parent go on to take further training and become a team

member (with beavers now).

We have had plenty of stories craft, games and badges. We tried the You

Beaver Scout Section Report

I can't believe how much the Beavers have achieved this year!

We kicked-off with a fun-filled, April Sleepover at Boidier Hurst ; first time away

from home for several, but a great time was had by all, doing all manner of Scouty type activities..... and the weather was kind to us this year !

And we continued to get outdoors as much as we could during the year- from photo orienteering around Ewell Court Park, pond dipping, bug hunting, a Wetlands walk, wide games at Shadbolt, and most recently the Lizard Hike (Headley) for some . Also a fantastic opportunity to get out on the river at Open Day. Several Beavers took inspiration from the 60 Days of Summer activities to keep themselves really busy during the holidays too.

We showed our respects at Remembrance Parade. And we've also been creative ;

Shape badge this year with squirrels helping to make decisions on their program in an age appropriate way.

We tried to get out and about a bit too with trips to the park, hikes, nature craft outside, pond dipping and we got our very own squirrel boating session which the squirrels were very excited about and has probably been the most requested activity to repeat.

We also had our very first squirrel sleepover in May where 6 adventurous squirrels and their parents slept in tents at HQ after a fun afternoon of pirate themed activities. The parents really got stuck in helping with everything,

running games, cooking and clearing up as well as helping their squirrel learn a few life skills including the all important washing up. One lovely mum also ran a campfire singing session which they all very much enjoyed.

from bird-feeders, icing biscuits, making Christmas decorations and Mother's Day gifts.

We've focussed on a wide range of badges from Health & Fitness, Safety, Experiments, Cook, Emergency Aid and Money Skills. Beavers' proudest achievement was to collectively raise £200 for RNLI, Teddington, doing odd jobs at home, and running their own Bring & Buy sale during a meeting, to enhance their money handling skills, for a great cause.

An **amazing 14 Chief Scout Bronze** awarded, and various activity badges that Beavers have stoically worked for under their own steam at home - amongst them Animal Friend, Book Reader, Collector, Cyclist, Gardener, Hobbies and Sports. And some did the Virtual camp-at-home "Reach for the Stars" too. They are a keen bunch !

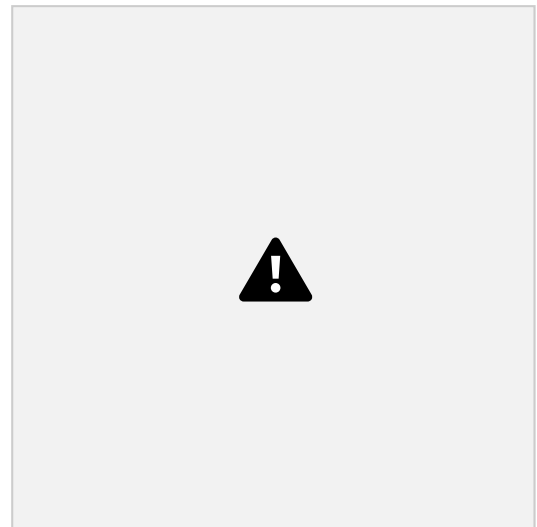
But we can only achieve this with support - thank you to all who have given their time..... but we could always do with more.

It was a real bonding session for both the squirrels and the parents where real friendships were formed and hopefully

will be a starting point for many more adventures to come as they move up through the sections.

It is a real team effort at squirrels and I need to thank all the young leaders, parents, grandparents and carers who help make the sessions fun.

Tracy Siner
Team leader for Squirrels



Have you got what it takes to join in the fun??!

Linda Grant (Rabbit)
Beaver Lead Volunteer

This year, Linda stepped down as Beaver Scout Leader following a brilliant and fantastic tenure.

We are delighted that Orion and Deborah have taken up the mantle of leading the colony.

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Cub Scout Section Report

2024-2025 has been another amazing, adventurous year for the pack.

Camps

We had fantastic weather for our summer camp last year which really helped us have a memorable week. During the week we made dens, built catapults, played wide games, went canoeing and kayaking, went

swimming, hiking and made pizza. We tied knots, made memories to last a lifetime, challenged ourselves and generally had a fantastic time. Many new friendships were established, badges gained and skills acquired. A highlight of the week was the slip and slide games ending with a jump into a large inflatable raft. A very

successful week.

Our activity weekend saw us back at Walton Firs campsite. A weekend full of activities such as high ropes, nightline, fire lighting, craft, team activities and of course a campfire.

Scout Section Report

Scouting isn't all about badges, but they can help us tell the story of a year. Over the year there are some stories which stand out:

The first one is the volume of awards, In the year over 500 badges and awards were earned by the Scout Troop.

23 Union Badges. These show a Scout that has been overseas with Scouting and these were earned on our brilliant summer trip to the Netherlands.

Over 50 RYA Sailing, Powerboat & British Canoeing certificates have been earned as Scouts develop skills on the water. These are nationally recognised qualifications.

Peer Youth leadership has been an important part of Scouting for over 100 years, and the Warspite Scout Troop is no exception. Over the year 21 Scouts have been awarded Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader or Senior Patrol Leader awards.

Time on the Water is a massively important part of the Scout Troop, with over 46 Awards made, along with 32 Nautical Skills awards. We don't stop counting at the maximum Time on the

Winter weekend, for the older Cubs, took place at Boidier Hurst. With the Cubs cooking for themselves, taking part in wide games, camp fires, craft and much more.

Our March sleepover for newer cubs was based at H.Q with a trip to the trampoline park on the Friday night, a sleepover at H.Q followed by a morning of activities

such as fire lighting, finding our way through the maze and indoor archery. It is a great introduction to camping with Warspite.

Badges and awards. Over the year we have worked on our home safety, book readers, navigators, space and fire safety badge to name just a few. The Cubs have also worked hard at their 'badges at home' which include home help, sports enthusiast, martial arts and snowsports. In all we have gained over 350 badges. The highlight of these is the 8 Chief Scout Silver awards, the highest award a cub can gain.

Water award and our most experienced Scouts have achieved over double that level at 100 Time on the Water Sessions.

Scouting skills are important and we have seen 19 hikes awards, 38 navigators and 26 nights away awards.

At the heart of the heart of the Scout Program is the Challenge Badges. These are the 9 Awards that Scouts can work towards. Over 90 of these Awards have been earned this week. All of these awards involve Scouts working hard in a variety of ways. There are a number which can be called out:

9 Personal Challenges: These involve a Scouts challenging themselves and ranged from musical ability to the Great River Race.

8 Expedition Challenges: These Scouts walked and camped independently, using the range of skills they developed.

Scouts who pull together all of these challenges receive the top Award in the Scout Section - the Chief Scouts Gold Award. We are incredibly proud of Belle, Craig, Sophie, Evan & Ilze who achieved this award this year.

Other activities throughout the year include, some of our older Cubs joining a local pack to meet Helen Maguire, MP for Epsom and Ewell. We also enjoyed hikes around the local area, an indoor campfire with campfire songs and hot dogs, craft evenings, Cub water activities day and much much more.

We were all very proud of how smart and respectful the cubs were at our Remembrance parade where a number of our Cubs took part with readings and prayers. We had a really good turn out of young people and their families.

None of this could happen without a number of dedicated volunteers, young and adult leaders and parents. Thank you to everyone who has made this a year to remember. Claire Hunt (Akela) Lead Volunteer Cubs.

Claire Hunt (Akela) Cub Scout Leader

Of course, at the heart of the Scout Program is Skills for Life. Over the course of the year, we have seen Emergency Aid, Fire Safety and (perhaps most importantly of all) 15 Chef's badges.

So badges cannot tell the whole story - but the story they tell is one of a fantastic group of young people who challenge themselves, build their skills and achieve.

They are supported by a brilliant and committed group of young leaders and adult volunteers. My thanks to them all for the commitment and leadership they provide.

Richard Hunt; GLV / Acting Scout Leader



Explorer Scout Section Report

Explorer Unit – Year in Review (2024/25)

This year, the Explorer Unit delivered a vibrant and varied programme of activities, fostering adventure, skill development, and community spirit through weekly meetings at HQ and WAC, as well as a wide range of camps and events.

Water-Based Adventures

Water activities were a standout feature throughout the year. Explorers developed skills both at HQ and in practice at WAC, Cobnor, and beyond. Regular boating sessions across multiple crafts, scuba diving experiences, and powerboat training (Levels 1 and 2) were complemented by rowing events, including impressive performances at the National Sea Scout Regatta and

participation in the Great River Race. Many Explorers also demonstrated leadership by supporting younger sections during Cub Water Activity Days and assisting other groups through Go Canoeing

Expedition Challenges

sessions. These efforts were further

enhanced by the achievement of specialist qualifications such as the Paddlesport Safety and Paddlesport Instructor awards, providing valuable external certifications.

Camps and Expeditions

Camps remained a cornerstone of the calendar. Our well-attended Winter and Spring camps at Boiderhurst and Broadstone Warren offered opportunities for bonding, resilience-building, and outdoor fun. The highlight was an unforgettable International Summer Camp in Holland, which broadened horizons and deepened friendships.

Community Engagement

The Unit actively participated in several community events, including the RNLI 200 Celebrations, Remembrance Sunday, and the Rotary Club Christmas Collection, reinforcing our commitment to service and community involvement.

Achievements and Awards

Over the year, we proudly awarded more than 120 badges and recognitions across

the Unit. These included core achievements such as Emergency Aid, Hikes, Nights Away, and Time on the Water, as well as specialised awards like RYA Powerboat and Sailing certifications. A particular honour was the presentation of the prestigious Chief Scout's Platinum Award.

Chris Bishop, Explorer Scout Leader

Explorer Scout Young Leader Section Report

Warspite's Young Leaders are a massive and key part of our volunteer team, and have been so for most of the history of Warspite.

Training for these young volunteers includes both the Scout Association's Young Leader Training scheme, which is delivered by a brilliant group of volunteers from across Epsom & Ewell Scout District, but also specialist skills training to support camping and water activities. This year this included young leaders qualifying a Paddle UK Paddlesport Instructors and an RYA Powerboat instructor.

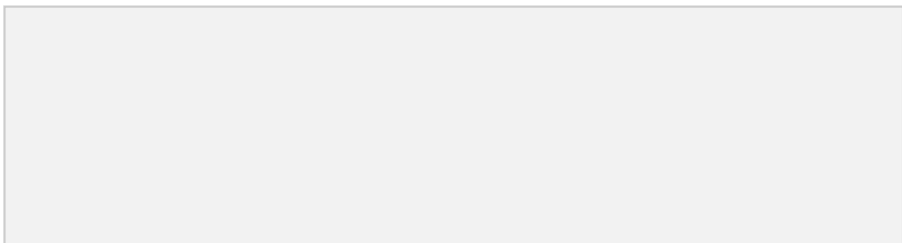
These young people not only provide an incredibly high level of skills, they also act as role models and inspiration for our younger sections

Of course, like all volunteers, there are skills and abilities which are developed

by these young people. Over their time as young leaders they will develop confidence, leadership abilities, communication skills and the ability to be part of a multi generational team.

Over the last 12 months a number of our more experienced young leaders have turned 18 and moved to adult roles. We are grateful for their continued involvement and experience.

We are incredibly grateful for our Young Leaders.





Monday Maintenance

When the current members of the Maintenance Team were young lads, there used to be a small group of old fella's that used to meet on a Monday evening.

Either side of their tea break, where they would put some chairs together in the middle of the hall and chit-chat for ½ hour, they used to complete minor running repairs or slap a bit of paint about.

They were enjoying a bit of social time whilst, valuably, helping keep the building ticking over, for the good of the group.

A few years ago, we revived the idea and now find ourselves to be the old fella's with the paint brushes, though we don't have the half hour tea break**

The things we do range from building cupboards (for instance) to minor repairs and decorating. Sometimes just a bit of a tidy up or cleaning. Basically, anything that needs doing.

New blood is always welcome. We don't bite and have a job for anyone with enthusiasm, regardless of skills.

** The ½ tea break has been replaced by a 30 minute "debrief" in The Willow Tree, an element which would obviously be optional to any new volunteers!

Weekly sessions start at 19:30 and, normally, run til about 21:30. Details from Graham or Richard.

Partnerships

Having strong partnerships is a key part of Warspite's strategy. Whilst we engage with a range of groups and organisations, there are some key ones we would wish to thank for their support.

Ajax Sea Scouts

As in previous years, our partnership with our sister group - 4th Thames Ditton (Ajax) Sea Scouts leads to great advantages for both groups. There are shared resources, shared events, a shared RYA centre and shared best practice.

The list of those from Ajax who have made a massive contribution to us is too long to name individually, but we thank them all for their support, under the leadership of Chris Callaghan-West, Group Scout Leader and with the support of Andrew Roberts,

Andy Davison, Peter Wadsworth, Dan Callaghan-West, Beaver Scout Leader, Robert Elliott, Scout Section Leader, Diane Davison, Ruth Mortby, Cub Section Leader, and Jan Harley, Explorer Scout Leader.

Karel Doorman Sea Scouts, Bergen - Op - Zoom, Netherlands.

Our Dutch sister group is a great source of inspiration and strength to Warspite. Our Scout and Explorer visit to the Netherlands was a highlight of the year.

Teddington RNLi

We are grateful for the support and time given by Teddington RNLi and our joint activity to mark the 200th Birthday of the RNLi was one of our highlights.

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One in Eight

The re-launch of One In Eight (our 35 ft Cornish Pilot Gig) in the late spring of last year, had been much delayed by the heavy rains and fast flowing river conditions.

This meant a later than optimal start to our training, but we managed to get ourselves into good enough shape to embark on our long distance row in June.

This time we started at a tiny place called Bablock Hythe in Oxfordshire, close to the top of the navigable Thames.

With an overnight stop at Clifton Hampden (near Abingdon) we continued to just down-stream of Henley, where we were met by a team of Warspite volunteers with trailers to get the boats and blokes back home.

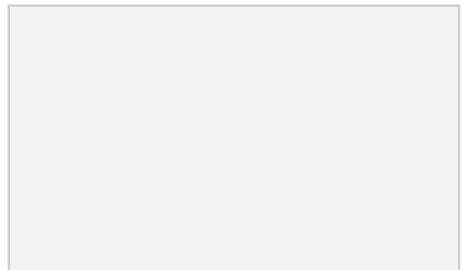
The row was about 60 miles in total, which was good going for a crew with half of us in our 60s and the rest mainly over 50. We also competed in the Great River Race again and were pleased to record one of our fastest times.

After these events, we have now covered most of the Thames over the last 2 years, from A to B on this map, with a plan to go from B to Sea next year!



This year we are planning an 80 mile row, again along the upper Thames, from Abingdon to Thames Ditton plus The Great River Race again.

Last year we raised over £4,000 for the Multiple Sclerosis Society, who will be the beneficiaries of this year's efforts once again.



On a terribly sad note, we lost one of our crew members who passed late last year.

Mark "Marksky" Hannam was only 49 when he died suddenly.

Mark was a Cub at Warspite and was a keen supporter of the group.

He was a dedicated crew member from the days when we competed in the Great River Race in a County Gig and throughout the One In Eight years.

RIP Mark

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Group Treasurer's Report and Adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2025

It's been a strong year for the Group, with membership standing at 166 paying subs at the end of the financial year contributing to the Group's funds. The income from subs is used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the sections. The central costs include maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the district capitation charge, which for the financial year ending 31st March 2025 was £8,635.

Various maintenance projects for our main hall and our water activity centre in Thames Ditton have taken place. This has obviously made an impact on our finances, but our income remains strong to cover these costs.

Our excellent water activity centre is very well used with our fleet of boats, canoes and associated equipment remaining well stocked. This is maintained by our team of dedicated volunteers who work throughout the year to ensure that everything is ready and safe to use. The cost of capital purchases of boats and related equipment is financed through central costs.

Insurance costs remain high, although we always look at the market when renewals are due. The insurances we hold cover our two buildings, boats, minibus etc. The total cost of insurances for the year was £8,177.

Training continues to be an essential part of our working with the membership throughout the year, mainly carried out by our excellent leadership team as well as recognised outside training facilities. This is mainly financed through central funding.

To offset our costs, we look at various ways to raise funds including the following:

The Group puts in an annual application to HMRC for a Gift Aid refund for all admissible subs and donation payments received. We have just received the sum of £9,296 for the year 2024/5 which will show in next year's 2025/6 accounts.

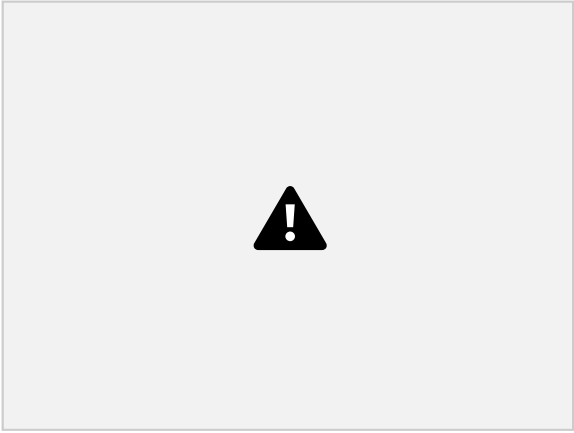
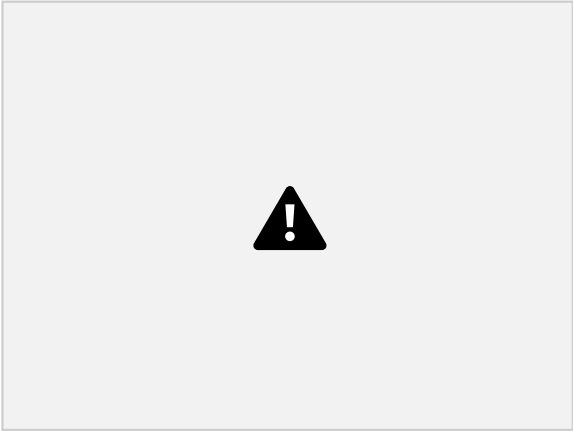
It has been a successful year for sourcing grants and donations as well as fundraising, with 2024/5 totalling at £11,318 in grants and donations and £14,339 in fundraising.

To further enhance our income, we hire out the hall to a few trusted groups giving us an income for the year 2024/5 of £3,095

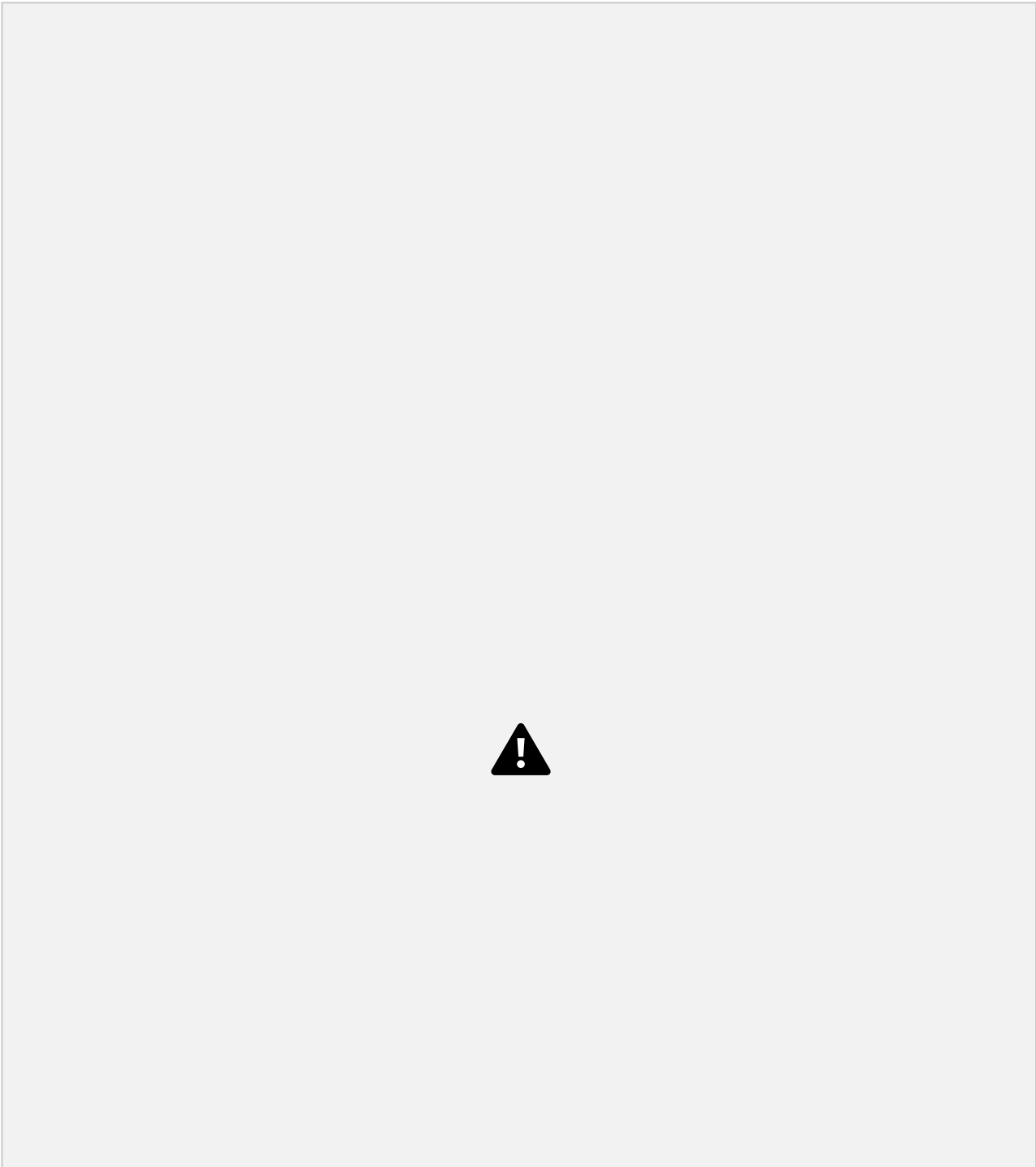
There have been many successful camps during the year which are always self-financing, although any additional equipment or replacement equipment, including tents, cooking equipment, storage etc. needed for the camps to function is financed centrally.

The success of the Group is down to the amazing team of volunteers, from the section leaders, young leaders, boat maintenance team, building maintenance team, kitchen crews at the camps, general helpers, parents' help and of course the support of our fantastic group of young people who turn up every week to enjoy scouting at its best and all the enormous benefits it gives.

Gary Seeley, Group Treasurer



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Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2025

Year to 31st March 2025 Year to 31st March 2024

Subscriptions £40,476.00 £29,081.50

Investment Income

Bank £2,607.67 £2,370.09

Donations/Grants

Various £11,318.77 £20,415.00

Activities

Group £0.00 £1,356.68 Squirrels £0.00 £1,826.00 Beaver Scouts £0.00 £1,576.58 Cub Scouts £0.00
£0.00 Scouts £0.00 £656.00 Explorers £0.00 £2,969.00 Cobnor £3,222.00 £4,290.00 Camps
£37,471.18 £29,354.91

Fund Raising Activities

Fund Raising - various £14,340.28 £7,017.47

Sundry Receipts

Hall Hire £3,095.00 £3,410.00 Minibus Use £155.20 £100.00 Gift Aid/Covenants £6,822.13
£5,945.65 Uniform Sales £1,998.56 £5,760.37 Training £494.54 £3,751.18 Asset Sales £0.00
£1,450.00 Sundry Income £8,281.24 £3,640.05

Total Receipts £130,282.57 £124,970.48

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Payments for the year ended 31 March 2025

Year to 31st March 2025 Year to 31st March 2024

Capitation to District £8,635.00 £8,308.25 Subscriptions £0.00 £98.00 **Premises & Facilities Costs**

Water Rates £571.91 £641.66 Gas / Electric £3,644.50 £4,409.96 Telephone & Broadband £707.75 £704.66

HQ and WAC Premises Insurance £3,495.22 £3,387.66 Building Maintenance £3,371.72 £6,297.26 Boat

Maintenance / Fuel £8,235.16 £13,648.81 Boat Insurance £0.00 £3,785.47 Hall Ceiling Replacement £0.00

£14,462.10 WAC Project £6,633.57 £0.00 WAC Rent £200.00 £0.00 **Activities**

Group £0.00 £261.03 Fund Raising £1,495.86 £3,786.90 Squirrels £29.47 £2,204.01 Beaver Scouts £238.73

£1,019.98 Cub Scouts £9,321.49 £360.55 Scouts £10,882.92 £379.97 Explorers £11,282.34 £3,166.28

Cobnor £5,830.00 £6,440.45 Camps (Now as per section) £0.00 £27,587.46 **Administration Expenses**

Admin/General expenses £326.07 £655.59 Bank charges £276.36 £190.73 **Purchase of Capital Equipment**

Equipment £18,757.40 £8,877.19 Boats £6,414.61 £10,632.91 WAC Redevelopemnt £114.12 £3,646.72

Sundry Payments

Training £3,253.91 £7,453.63 Minibus Insurance £869.73 £824.53 Minibus Expenses £1,188.44 £1,757.31

Boat Insurance £3,718.45 £0.00 Uniform £620.00 £9,113.56 Insurance-Accident & Medical £94.00 £94.00

Camping Gas £0.00 £913.59 Wheely Bin £650.00 £600.00 Sundry Expenses £13,054.39 £7,861.43

Total Payments £123,913.12 £153,571.65



Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2025

Year to 31st March 2025 Year to 31st March 2024

Monetary Assets

Bank £135,483.03 £129,113.58 Cash in Hand £525.00 £525.00 **Totals £136,008.03 £129,638.58**

Debtors

Capitation overpayment £0.00 £0.00 **Totals £0.00 £0.00**

Non-monetary Assets

Headquarters £800,028.00 £800,028.00 Water Activities Centre(WAC) £566,800.00 £337,500.00 Motor Vehicles £0.00 £0.00 Boats & related equipment £120,012.00 £100,804.00 Equipment, Furniture etc. £48,087.00 £46,437.60

Totals £1,534,927.00 £1,284,769.60 Overall Total £1,670,935.03 £1,414,408.18

Notes:

The valuations of the "Non-monetary Assets" are based on their insured values except for the minibus. The Group's headquarters, at Cunliffe Road, is freehold. No value is given for the land.

The Water Activities Centre is a ninety-nine year leasehold which commenced in 1979.

During 2024 the lease was surrendered and regranted to update both terms and scope of land held, but with no change to the end date.

The Water Activities Centre is a shared building between 1st Cuddington and Ajax Sea Scouts Annual ground rent is currently £100, reviewable in 2028 and then every 5th year in line with the Retail Price Index. The WAC property insurance was reviewed during 2025 and an appropriate level of cover applied.. The value of the minibus has been fully written off in our books but it is insured at its current market value.



No.1 Main Account

Receipts Payments

Fund Raising £6,280.30 Capitation £8,635.00 Hall Hire £3,095.00 Gas / Electric / Water £4,216.41 Gift Aid £6,822.13 Broadband £707.75 Grants / Donations £11,318.77 Minibus £1,188.44 Uniform £96.38 Equipment £18,757.40 Training £494.54 Boats £14,649.77 Minibus £155.20 Training £3,253.91 Asset Sales £0.00 Uniform £220.00 Sundry £4,194.89 Calor Gas £0.00 Cobnor £232.00 Building Maintenance £3,371.72 Transfers £61,000.00 WAC Project £6,633.57 WAC Rent £200.00 WAC Redevelopment £114.12 Fund Raising £0.00 Sundry £7,730.83 Wheely Bin £650.00 Cobnor £270.00 Admin and General Expenses £326.07 Group £0.00 Insurance £8,177.40 Bank Charges £60.00 Transfers £14,000.00

£93,689.21 £93,162.39

Balance at 1st April 2024 £1,278.89 Balance at 31st March 2025 £1,805.71 **No.2 Subs**

Receipts Payments

Subscriptions £40,476.00 Bank Charges £60.00 Sundry £35.00

Transfers £40,250.00

£40,476.00 £40,345.00

Balance at 1st April 2024 £128.50 Balance at 31st March 2025 £259.50

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No.3 General

Receipts Payments

Uniform £1,902.18 Uniform £400.00 Fund Raising £8,059.98 Fund Raising £1,495.86 Sundries £1,119.35 Sundries £2,679.98 Bank Charges £66.36 Transfers £5,000.00

£11,081.51 £9,642.20

Balance at 1st April 2024 £1,529.29 Balance at 31st March 2025 £2,968.60 £2,968.60

No.4 Sections Activities £0.00 Receipts and Payments 2024/2025

Receipts Payments

Squirells £0.00 Squirells £29.47 Beavers £601.70 Beavers £238.73 Cubs £11,701.00 Cubs £9,321.49 Scouts
£12,888.48 Scouts £10,882.92 Explorers £12,280.00 Explorers £11,282.34 Cobnor £2,990.00 Cobnor £5,560.00
Sundry £2,967.00 Sundry £2,558.58 Transfers £4,000.00 Bank Charges £60.00 Transfers £6,000.00

£47,428.18 £45,933.53

Balance at 1st April 2024 £2,186.04 Balance at 31st March 2025 £3,680.69

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Former Cub Account (Closed)

Receipts Payments

Activities & Equipment £310.00 Transfer to No.4 Activities Account £400.00 Bank Charges £10.00

£310.00 £410.00

Balance at 1st April 2024 £100.00 Balance at 31st March 2025 £0.00

Former Scout Account (Closed)

Receipts Payments

Activities & Equipment £0.00 Transfer to No.4 Activities Account £90.00 Bank Charges £10.00

£0.00 £100.00

Balance at 1st April 2024 £100.00 Balance at 31st March 2025 £0.00

Former Explorer Account (Closed)

Receipts Payments

Activities & Equipment £2,030.00 Transfer to No.4 Activities Account £2,120.00 Bank Charges £10.00

£2,030.00 £2,130.00

Balance at 1st April 2024 £100.00 Balance at 31st March 2025 £0.00

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BANK/CASH 31 March 2025

Group Sections Old Accounts Total

BANK £131,802.34 £3,680.69 £0.00 £135,483.03

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CASH IN HAND £525.00 £0.00 £0.00 £525.00 Group cash balances £132,327.34 £3,680.69 £0.00 £136,008.03

Note:

Reserves

In 2008 the Trustees decided to establish certain reserves to ensure that the Group had sufficient monies to cover the replacement or repair of certain assets.

The current reserves are as follows :-



Subscriptions for all Sections are collected by Group. After the payment of capitation all surplus subscriptions have been taken by Group towards central costs.

The Group funds part of its asset purchases and adult training through grants. The major grant providers this year were:-

Surrey County Scouts Adult Training

Ewell Rotary Support Grant

Donations in memory of Mark Hannam Scouting Equipment

RN Sea Scout Fund Gig & Equipment

Group activities include all activities that are not particularly Section orientated as well as those that include external participants such as training courses. Any surpluses of income over expenditure is taken into Warspite's main accounts to contribute to the fixed assets and equipment required for these events.

During the year the Sections each undertook several camps ranging from a weekend to a full week.

Sundries include the refund of expenses or equipment purchased by the Group and repaid by third

parties.

Explorers are part of the District structure but since 2008/09 their figures have been included within the Group's accounts. This followed an agreement with District that the Explorers should be included within this Group's accounts because of their close connection with the Group through their use of Group assets and Partnership Agreement.



Payments analysis 2024/2025

GROUP SQUIRRELS BEAVERS CUBS SCOUTS EXPLORERS COBNOR	BANK
SUNDRY	CHGS TOTAL

Main

Capitation	£8,635.00	£8,635.00	Gas / Electric	£3,644.50	£3,644.50	Water	£571.91	£571.91	Broadband	£707.75	£707.75	Minibus	£1,188.44	£1,188.44
Equipment	£18,757.40	£18,757.40	Boats	£6,414.61	£6,414.61	Boat Maintenance / Fuel	£8,235.16	£8,235.16	Ceiling Replacement	£0.00	£0.00	Training	£3,253.91	£3,253.91
Uniform	£220.00	£220.00	Calor Gas	£0.00	£0.00	Building Maintenance	£3,371.72	£3,371.72	WAC Project	£6,633.57	£6,633.57	WAC	£270.00	£270.00
WAC Redevelopment	£114.12	£114.12	Fund Raising	£0.00	£0.00	Sundry	£7,730.83	£7,730.83	Wheely Bin	£650.00	£650.00	Cobnor	£270.00	£270.00
Admin and General Expenses	£326.07	£326.07	Group	£0.00	£0.00	HQ / WAC Insurance	£3,495.22	£3,495.22	Minibus Insurance	£869.73	£869.73	Insurance-Accident & Medical	£94.00	£94.00
Boat Insurance	£3,718.45	£3,718.45	Bank Charges	£60.00	£60.00									

£79,162.39 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £79,162.39



GROUP SQUIRRELS BEAVERS CUBS SCOUTS EXPLORERS COBNOR SUNDRY BANK CHGS TOTAL

Sections Activites

Camps £29.47 £238.73 £9,321.49 £10,882.92 £11,282.34 £31,754.95 Cbnor £5,560.00 £5,560.00 Sundry £2,558.58 £2,558.58 Activities
£0.00 Bank Charges £60.00 £60.00

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General

Uniform £400.00 £400.00 Fundraising £1,495.86 £1,495.86 Sundry £2,679.98 £2,679.98 Bank Charges £66.36 £66.36

£4,642.20 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £4,642.20

Subs Account

Bank Charges £60.00 £60.00 Sundry £85.00 £85.00

£0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £85.00 £60.00 £145.00

Former Accounts

Bank Charges £30.00 £30.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £0.00 £30.00 £30.00



Notes on Payments

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24



Sometimes the biggest adventures are the simplest steps. A Beaver Scout starts to develop his rowing skills under the instruction of experienced Explorer Scouts.



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Our fantastic Squirrel Scouts proved that taking care of their world is not just for the older sections with a local litter picking session.





GROUP DETAILS

1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout

Group Headquarters:

Warspite Sea Scouts HQ
Cunliffe Road
Ewell
Epsom
Surrey. KT19 0RJ

Water Activities Centre:

19B Ditton Reach
Thames Ditton
Surrey.
KT7 0XB

All Correspondence to:

Graham Nash, Chairman of Trustees
87 Castle Avenue, East Ewell, Surrey. KT17 2PJ

Trustees for year:

Graham Nash	Chairman	
Heather Smith	Secretary	Retired September 2023
Kirsty Watson	Secretary	Appointed September 2023
Malcolm Hunt	Treasurer	Retired September 2023
Gary Seeley	Treasurer	Appointed September 2023
Suzanne Pearson		
Claire Hunt	Cub Scout Leader	
Richard Callaghan		
Hazel Draper		
Leonard Brooker		Retired September 2023
Michelle Zal		Appointed September 2023
Thomas Randall		
Alan Mobbs		Retired September 2023
Kelly Bishop		Appointed September 2023
Shirley Clifton		
Peter Weekes		
Linda Grant	Beaver Scout Leader	
Daniel Webber		
Gareth Weekes		
Richard Hunt	Group Scout Leader	
Chris Bishop	Explorer Scout Leader	
Paul Draper		
Tracey Siner	Squirrel Scout Leader	



Agenda for Annual General Meeting on Monday 9th September 2024 at 20:00

- 1. Introduction and welcome**
- 2. Apologies for absence**
- 3. Governance topics**
 - a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 11/09/2023
 - b. Adopt the model constitution from Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)
 - c. Note the Group's financial year be 1st April to 31st March.
 - d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council
 - e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board to be a maximum of 12.
 - f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM)
- 4. Review of the previous year**
 - a. The Group Lead Volunteer's review of Scouts in the 1st Cuddington (Warspite)
 - b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board, including the annual Statement of the Accounts
- 5. Making appointments**
 - a. Appoint the Group Chair, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board as Graham Nash.
 - b. Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendation from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board as Gary Seeley.
 - c. Note the appointment as Group Secretary of Kirsty Watson
 - d. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board
 - e. Appoint the Independent Examiner
- 6. Closing remarks**



Minutes for Annual General Meeting on Monday 11th September 2023 at 20:00 at Warspite HQ

1. **Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks – Graham Nash**

The chairman welcomed everyone. He acknowledged receipt of the annual report and remarked that it had been another brilliant year. He noted that the running order of the AGM has changed a little due to the transition to becoming the Trustee Board.

A few people, who have served for many years, are stepping down from the Trustee Board.

Len Brooker has been a trustee for a long time and has refurbished much of the fleet. Many thanks to Len for all that he has done for so many years.

Thank you to Heather, who is stepping down as Group Secretary after 10 years. Thank you to Kirsty, who is taking over the role.

Thank you to Alan, who is stepping down as a trustee. He has been Transport Manager, helped with cubs, helped with water activities and been involved at county level. He will be maintaining some of these roles.

Thank you to Malcolm, who is stepping down as Group Treasurer after 20 years. When he became Group Treasurer, the group finances went from strength to strength. He ensured that the group attained a really healthy financial position. Thank you to Shirley for her support. Thank you to Gary for taking over the role of Group Treasurer

2. **Apologies for Absence**

Hazel Draper and Peter Weekes.

3. **Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting – Richard Hunt**

Matters arising – None

Acceptance of last year's minutes: Proposed by Shirley Clifton. Seconded by Paul Draper.

Governance oversight

4. Adoption of constitution in line with POR 5.4

Proposed: Claire Hunt. Seconded: Chris Bishop

5. Note the dates of financial year being 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.

Proposed: Dean Clifton. Seconded: Lauren Mansell

6. Agree numbers who can be elected to the Trustee Board as 6.

Proposed: Chris Bishop. Seconded: Dan Webber

7. Agree Quorums for Scout Council, Trustee Board and any Sub Committees

1. Scout Council: 10 members including the two of GSL, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary

Proposed: Paul Draper. Seconded: Shirley Clifton

2. Trustee Board:

- Over 50% of the members are present including representation from both uniformed and non uniformed roles.

- Two of GSL, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary are present.

- A vice or deputy chair may be appointed from time to time - by or between meetings, by the committee in general.

- Occasionally views may be sought electronically in the interest of expediency. The chair's decision as to whether this is quorate is final.

Proposed: Richard Callaghan. Seconded: Dean Clifton

3. Sub Committees: As decided by the Trustee Board in the Sub Committee's Terms of Reference

Proposed: Chris Bishop. Seconded: Graham Nash

Review of previous year

8. **Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2023 – Malcolm Hunt**

2022/23 has been a year when the Group essentially returned to its pre-Covid activities levels. Since the Group's last AGM, we have progressively undertaken a full package of activities within the Sections as well as continuing our programme of upgrades for our buildings and equipment.



Membership numbers have steadily increased and the external hirers to the hall have returned. Fund raising activities such as the Great River Race sponsorship, Open Day and the Christmas Fair and tree sales have extended our abilities to improve the Group's facilities whilst maintaining the subs at their present level.

The Group's financial position has been impacted significantly by the £3,700 increase in our electric and gas costs. Other costs were increased as a result of the higher inflation. The net effect has been that the Group's cash position has deteriorated. As a result, the Group's Trustees reviewed the current level of subscriptions paid by members, but because all our members' families were having to meet increased expenses, the decision was taken to retain the existing subs levels for the present.

This group has a long history providing experiences to children that they might not otherwise have. It has never been cheap but with the help of many hours of time given freely by generations of uniform leaders and others through fund raising and maintenance activities, the Group has endeavoured to keep subscriptions as low as possible. This year's accounts include the subs from the Explorer Scout unit although the unit is part of the District setup.

The subs are used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the Sections. The central costs are maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the District capitation charge. Last year subs contributed 64% (67%) of central costs. The balance was principally funded by Gift Aid claims. Donations and grants finance new equipment and training as well as a contribution towards renovations and repairs. Without the donations and grants purchases of new equipment would be restricted. In 2009, fourteen years ago subs were increased to meet raising costs as well as urgent building maintenance. The Trustees are seriously reviewing the level of subs because of the substantial increases.

The Group has restarted its programme of upgrading and improving our buildings, boat fleet and equipment. The cost of this expenditure was significant (£18k) and it was funded principally from fund raising and grants. Maintenance and improvements to our buildings are undertaken on a rolling programme. It is however stressed that the activities of the Group's Sections continue to be paramount. Stable numbers of members reflects that our leadership team is achieving this aim.

The Trustees are reviewing how to develop the Group's assets for the future benefit of our membership. Plans to improve both the hall and the Water Activities Centre facilities are being considered but as both would have a significant cost, matters are being slowly progressed. As with all major projects there is a fine dividing line between current needs and the future focus and how the cost will be funded.

9. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2023 delivered by the GSL, with reflections from Alan Mobbs

I normally start these reports by saying that I don't need to tell those in the room what has happened as they lived it, breathed it, enjoyed it. But a conversation yesterday with a parent of another Group reminded me that we ought to remind ourselves of what happens between AGMs.

Before we look at last year, I have asked Alan to share a couple of minutes thoughts on the changes he has seen at the Group over the years.

"I joined Warspite in 1958. The Headquarters was still being built. There was a church hall on site. My first camp as leader was in 1966. Camp was in Send/Ripley in the 1950s and 60s every four years. I ran a gang show. 1976 was the first year that we camped at a site in Elstead and continued to do so till the 1990s. From then, we camped at the Red House Farm site in Elstead. A highlight was the visit of an Apache helicopter. I have been to every single camp at Elstead to date."

Condensing the life of a Group down into a few words and numbers will always be impossible, but it is also important. This year has been described as the "first proper year since Covid" - and it has seemed like a return to normality.

- There are around 160 young people in the Group.
- We have started Squirrel Scouts in earnest - and it is fantastic to see the joy when they cook marshmallows, build dens, listen to stories or get afloat. We thank Surrey County Council & our local County Councillor Eber Kington for a generous grant to provide equipment for the Squirrels.



- This summer, we delivered over 875 nights away for young people and volunteers across 3 weeklong summer camps and with no hospital trips, only 1 flooding incident, no major wildfires and a fantastic trip to Portsmouth Naval Base.
- 3 of our Young Leaders have completed the entire training scheme - a phenomenal achievement.
- 6 Explorers and 2 adults have qualified as British Canoeing Paddlesports Instructors. Leaders have completed the RYA's Intermediate and Advanced Powerboat Qualifications; as well as many other skills.
- We have had a fantastic visit from our Dutch sister group - Karel Doorman - and we are looking forward to our visit to Holland in 2024.
- We won the National Sea Scout Regatta, being in 13 of the 15 finals and winning 3 age groups outright.
- 5 of our boats took part in the Queen Elizabeth Memorial Pageant, which replaced the Great River Race at very short notice. Next Saturday, 6 boats will compete in the Great River Race 2022.
- We have been proud to award 35 Top Awards across the sections, including 13 Chief Scout Gold Awards, 13 Chief Scout Silvers & 9 Chief Scout Award Bronzes
- We have seen over 350 Challenge Badges across the sections, including 150 Challenge Badges in Scouts, 120 Cub Challenge Badges, 78 Beaver Challenges and 27 Squirrel Challenges.
- Our infrastructure has developed. We have an amazing Monday night maintenance team here at the HQ, and projects continue to deliver. Len remains a force of nature in maintaining our pulling Boats and Peter Weekes works tirelessly on our powerboats. The work that Peter and Ian Smalley have led on the pontoons at the WAC has also been a major improvement.

- This year has also been a year with foundations being built for the longer term. Led by Andrew Roberts, Warspite and Ajax are on the verge of signing a new lease for the Water Activities Centre increasing our space by half the car park, which will provide vitally important storage space for the two groups. Our massive thanks to Andrew Roberts and Andy Davison of Ajax who have done so much for this project.
- Our community outreach has also had a massive effect this year, with Lauren's first aid training making a massive difference in one case, a life potentially saved when the 1 in 8 Crew's Prostate Cancer awareness message hit home and great work by the Scouts on a local School's grounds.

- But all of this is the background for individual stories of our young people. For personal growth and resilience. As volunteers we are privileged to see these. To see the confidence built alongside skills. To hear the laughter and see the camaraderie. To see the leadership and to see the #skillsforlife.

- I am absolutely honoured to volunteer alongside a brilliant group of people. From trustees to cooks via leaders, instructors and mentors. I will absolutely join Graham in thanking Malcolm, Heather, Len and Alan for their service over the years as trustees; and I would particularly like to highlight the work that Malcolm has done. Whilst he might be my Dad, as GSL I have had a robust, realistic and ambitious treasurer, who has laid the groundwork for the next stages of our ambitions. Thank you.

Appointments

10. **Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2023/24.** I am pleased to announce that Graham Nash has agreed to carry on.

- **Proposed by: Claire Hunt. Seconded by: Lauren Mansell. Carried**

11. Election of Group Secretary and Treasurer

- Group Secretary: Kirsty Watson. **Proposed by Claire Hunt. Seconded by Suzanne Pearson. Carried**
- Group Treasurer: Gary Seeley. **Proposed by Malcolm Hunt. Seconded by Tom Randall. Carried**

12. **Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2023/24.**



	Proposed by	Seconded by	
• Peter Weekes	Chris Bishop	Dean Clifton	Carried
• Gareth Weekes	Chris Bishop	Dean Clifton	Carried
• Paul Draper	Chris Bishop	Dean Clifton	Carried
• Michelle Zal	Chris Bishop	Dean Clifton	Carried
• Kelly Bishop	Chris Bishop	Dean Clifton	Carried

14. Note: Section Leaders and GSL are ex officio members of the Executive unless they choose not to serve as trustees. This encompasses: Linda Grant (Beavers), Claire Hunt (Cubs), Chris Bishop and Paul Draper (Explorers) and Richard Hunt (GSL). Presently, there is no appointed Scout Leader. **Proposed by Richard Callaghan. Seconded by Paul Draper. Carried**

15. **Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2023/24.**

Thank you to Derek Lane, who is the current Independent Examiner and who is continuing in this role.

Proposed by Claire Hunt. Seconded by Malcolm Hunt. Carried

16. **Address by a District Representative – Karl Nicholas**

I'm sorry I can't be with you tonight. It is great to see another year of growth and impact at 1st Cuddington, including the starting of the District's first Squirrel Drey; their time on the water at Regattas and many other events.

Warspite not only has a dedicated set of leaders, but also fantastic trustees. In particular, many parts of the District would want to thank Malcolm for his time as treasurer. I have no doubt that Gary will build and develop on Malcolm's work. As we move into 23/24, I have no doubt that 1st Cuddington will continue to build and grow.

17. **Presentations and Awards**

- 10 year service for **Lauren Mansell**
- 15 year service Award for **Tom Randall**
- Each year we have a number of awards that are made by the leader team.
- **Don Everitt Awards for Seamanship** awarded to the Scout and Explorer for their water skills, their seamanlike manner and for being at ease and relaxed on the water.
Winners (Scouts): **Evelyn Hunt**
Winners (Explorers): **Migle Eskyte**
- **Reece Hutchinson Award for Camping** is awarded to the Scout who best embodied the Scout spirit at Summer Camp. It reflects competence, teamwork, skill, comfort, scout-like attitude, probably summed up by the idea that virtually anyone can be cold, wet and hungry in the middle of a field – the trick is not to be!
 - 2023: **Georgia Kerr**
- **John Dore Award for Camping** – is being awarded to the Explorer who best embodied the Scout spirit at Summer Camp, recognising the same kind of skills as the Recce Hutchinson award. It has been named for a great past leader – John Dore – whose last appointment was as Venture Scout Leader – the forerunner of the Explorer Scouts. Decided by the Explorer Scout leadership team.
2023: **Erin Gladhill**
- **David Rich Award for Leadership** was kindly donated by David Rich in 2016. David held a number of leadership awards with the group over the years and this award is used to recognise a young person who has demonstrated leadership skills and abilities. There were a number of very worthy nominations for this award, which is decided by the leadership team.
2023: **Freya Hunt**

18. **Any Other Business.**vNone.

19. **Chairman's closing comments** Thank you for coming this evening.

20. **Meeting closed at 8.46pm.**

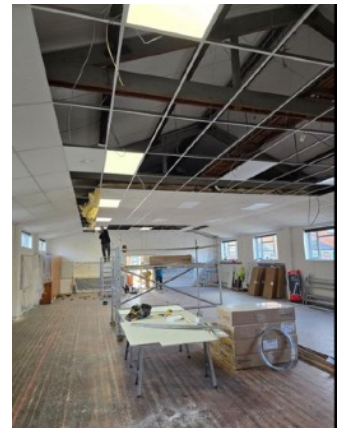
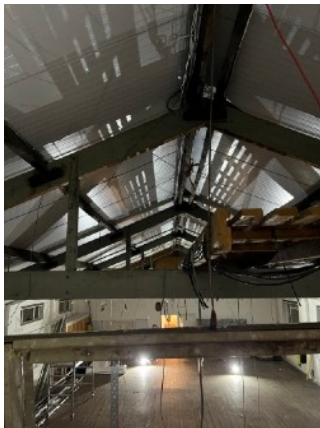
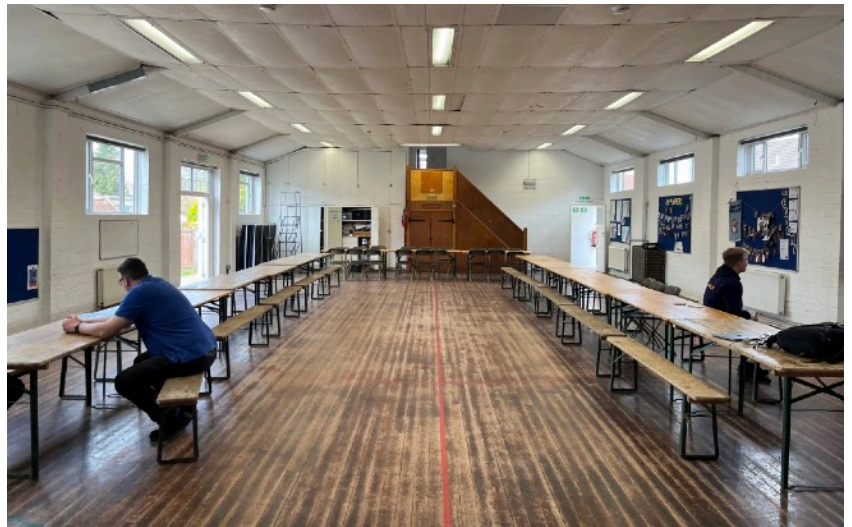
Minutes by Heather Smith, Group Secretary



Our HQ Refurbishment.

The Warspite HQ was built opened in 1960 and has had a number of upgrades since that time. This year has centred on the replacement of the rear storage cupboards, suspended ceiling and improving the floor with a revarnish.

A mixture of skilled volunteer work and a specialist contractor have transformed the Main Deck, improving its use, its look and its acoustics.





Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/04/23 to 31/03/24

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to keep accounting records and prepare annual statements of account for the Charity, which must be audited or independently examined and provided to the Charity Commission. In preparing the annual statements of accounts the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Comply with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the annual statement of accounts; and
- Prepare the annual statement of accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and are responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activity of the Charity

The Group currently has an active Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Scout Pack, Sea Scout Troop and Explorer Sea Scout Unit. Key details of each Section are as follows:

- The Squirrels section is for boys and girls aged 4 to 6 years. The Colony meets once a week and as at 31st March 2024 it had 15 members (2023: 10 prospective members in pilot.)
- The Beaver Scout Colony is for boys and girls aged 5¾ to 8 years. The Colony meets once a week and as at 31st March 2024 had 27 members (2023: 26 members).
- The Cub Scout Pack is for boys and girls aged 8 to 10½ years. The Pack meets once a week and as at 31st March 2024 had 48 members (2023: 48 members).
- The Sea Scout Troop is for boys and girls aged 10½ to 14½. The Troop meets once a week and as at 31st March 2024 had 56 members (2023: 54 members)
- The Explorer Sea Scout Unit is for boys and girls aged 14½ to 18. The Unit meets once a week and as at 31st March 2024 had 28 members (2023: 21 members)

It is noted that the Group is near capacity meaning that space for future expansion is limited. All Sections have continued to work in accordance with the progressive training scheme as laid down by the Scout Association. The Group has continued to operate a Royal Yachting Association recognised teaching establishment based at the Water Activities Centre and operated jointly with Ajax Sea Scouts. The Group's adult volunteers include a number of RYA, British Rowing and British Canoeing Coaches.

The Group is one of just 103 Sea Scout groups recognised by the Royal Navy. This prestigious and beneficial recognition requires a rigorous regular inspection.

Reserves

The Trustees have adopted a formal policy on reserves, which is reflected in these accounts. The policy provides that reserves be maintained at a level which has regard to:

- The risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure varying from that budgeted
- The planned activity level
- The Group's commitments
- The need for adequate readily realisable resources to meet the Group's commitments for the coming twelve month period.



Readily realisable resources are defined as the balances at the bank less net current liabilities and the balances on restricted funds. The level of reserves available at 31st March 2024 under the policy is:

1. **General Reserves. - £25,000.**
2. **Designated reserves;** These are funds that are held to allow the Group to replace/part replace key assets in the event of damage or loss. The Trustees believe these assets are key to running the Group. If utilized, the funds should be replaced as soon as possible.
 - 2.1. **Buildings - £5,000**
 - 2.2. **Boats - £5,000**
 - 2.3. **Equipment - £5,000**
 - 2.4. **Minibus - £10,000.** This increase represents the material uncertainty around the impact of London's ULEZ implementation.
3. **Specific Reserves:** There are funds to support major projects which have been agreed but not yet fully implemented.
 - 3.1. **Water Activities Centre Development - £25,000**
4. **Unspent Grants; £907.82** This is funds given for a restricted or designated purpose and not yet utilised.

Investment Policy: In the event that the Group has monies that are in excess of that required to meet day to day expenditure and pending major expenditure the Treasurer has the authorization to place them on a term deposit subject to the following restrictions: The deposit to be held with a UK based bank authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, the maximum term is 12 months & the total amount is not expected to be more than 50% of Reserves. In the event that the Group has additional monies scheduled for a pending future asset purchase a suitable deposit based on anticipated timescale may be made with the prior agreement of the Executive Committee. Non cash deposits or investments are not permitted.

Governance: The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, The By-Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association. The Group is a Trust established under rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

The Group is managed by an Executive Committee made up of all the charity's trustees. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making of appropriate returns to the Charity Commission. The Groups Executive Committee consists of independent representatives comprising Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and parent representatives together with the Leaders of each Section and certain specialists. The Committee normally meets every two months.

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

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support

Risk Assessment: The Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate their effects as follows:

- *Damage to buildings. and equipment:* The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to militate against permanent loss.
- *Injury to leaders, members and helpers:* The leaders and members, through the capitation fees, contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Helpers are covered under a separate accident insurance policy, which the Group purchases annually. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.



- **Reduced income from fund raising:** The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could increase the level of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group either temporarily or permanently.
- **Reduction or loss of members:** The Group provides activities for young people aged 5¾ to 18. If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or of the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

The Group requires two signatories for all cheque payments to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of money and holds comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. An exception is where the Executive Committee has authorised the Group Treasurer to make payments up to a pre-agreed limit via the Group's Bank internet system.

Group Objectives: The aim of the Group is 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 community. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by trained adult leadership.

Public Benefit: The Group actively delivers 'Every Child Matters' outcomes:

Be Healthy – We provide access to exercise. This is particularly important for those young people who do not enjoy conventional sport.

Stay Safe – We offer the chance to undertake adventurous activities within a risk assessed framework

Enjoy and Achieve – We provide an enjoyable learning experience for young people.

Make a Positive Contribution – We offer the opportunity for young people to support and lead others. We also offer the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised qualification in personal skills such as sailing and canoeing and we can help them gain coaching qualifications. Most young people who belong to the Group also undertake some form of community service during the course of their membership.

Although a small subscription is charged for membership, this covers no more than the immediate running costs of the Group does not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the practice that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions or fees charged for camps or outings. The Group endeavours to obtain bursaries and/or grants for those who could not otherwise afford to take part.

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



Explorer Scouts learning skills and teamwork raining with the RNLI



Group Chairman's Report

Every time I sit down to write a few words for the Annual Report, it's so encouraging to reflect on the fact that each and every year, our incredible group just goes from strength to strength.

At the time of writing for last year's report, our Squirrel section was in it's infancy; Warspite being among the first groups to set up such a section.

A year later and, under the amazing leadership of Tracy and her team, Squirrels is a thriving section – a real success story – so well done to everyone involved and thanks for the parental support, which is essential for the effective running of the meetings and activities.

All of our sections are running close to record levels of membership which is great to see but these numbers mean that there is always a challenge for adequate levels of volunteer leadership. We are extremely grateful for the dedication of the adults and young people who give their time to ensure the sections run so smoothly.

The improvements to the premises continued through the last 12 months with the HQ ceiling being replaced and, at the WAC, the new storage compound and significant remedial works to the roof.

These improvements all come at a price and would not have been possible were it not for the efficiency of the handling of the group's finances over many years.

The "main man" responsible for this was our Group Treasurer, Malcolm Hunt who, after many years of incredible service has stepped down from the role. Suffice to say that, during his tenure, he transformed the group's financial position to the point where major capital projects were possible, and our boat fleet could be continuously enhanced and improved.

As we thank Malcolm for his outstanding contribution and wish him well as he "puts his feet up", we welcome long-time friend of the group, Gary Seeley, into the role.

Gary brings skills from his career in finance and has already put his own stamp on the role.

Also leaving the Board of Trustees was Heather Smith, who has served, brilliantly, as our Group Secretary for many years.

Thank you to Heather for doing such a great job and thanks, also, to Kirsty Watson who has agreed to take on the role, going forward.

We really are fortunate to have such great people continuing to step forward when roles become vacant, ensuring we maintain a brilliant team to support an amazing group.

Graham Nash
Group Chairman



Group Scout Leader's Report

The year from 2023 to 2024 has been one of the most fundamentally important years for the Group in a long while, with several major projects taking a huge leap forward.

- Our Squirrel Section for 4 to 6 year olds has been established for a full year, building incredible adventures and welcoming an entire new section into the Group family. You will read about these more elsewhere, but my massive thanks to Tracy, Egg, Derek and the growing team who provide amazing experiences for our youngest Scouts. In particular it has been awesome to see the first groupings move up to our Beaver Colony.
- There have been major steps forward at the Cunliffe Road, Warspite HQ; not least of which is that after just 60 years it now has an official address! Once again, elsewhere you will find more about the massive improvements made to the HQ this year. My massive thanks to Peter Morton, Ian Webber, Graham Nash, Paul Henry and Gary Seeley for their work on this.
- At our Water Activity Centre, there has been two incredible milestones. Working in conjunction with our partners from Ajax Sea Scouts we have made incredible steps forward. These have included the signing of an updated and modernised lease and the creation of a new storage compound, as well as huge improvements to the public area of the trailer park. My huge thanks to Andrew Roberts, Andrew Davison, Ian Smalley and Dave White for their work on these projects.

Above and beyond these key milestones, it is important to reflect on the "normal" year. Our mission from the Scout Association is to "actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society."

We have sailed, rowed, scuba dived, bowled, camped, hiked, canoed, won, lost, visited the library, visited a naval base, cooked marshmallows, eaten roast dinners, caved, climbed, cratestacked, swum, kayaked, powerboated, been to the Netherlands, had our Dutch sister group visit, paddle boarded, met new friends and had fun with old ones, visited the RNLI, boated on the Thames, in Chichester Harbour, in Docklands, on the Stour and in Christchurch Harbour. We have had all 5 sections afloat, from Squirrels to Explorers and been able to get those in wheelchairs onto the Thames with our Wheelyboat.

Within this "normal" year, we had some really stand out moments:

- We had a fantastic visit from our Dutch sister Group, Karel Doorman in April. This included some great opportunities for young people from both Groups to get together with boating, hikes and wide games.
- At the National Sea Scout Regatta, the team took part in 13 of the 15 finals and won 11 trophies, including three age group wins and the overall trophy.
- We were able to both take part in and provide training for a range of Royal Navy Recognised Sea Scouts. Working with our friends from Ajax Sea Scouts we were able to provide rowing and VHF training, whilst we benefitted from a number of our volunteers taking the first step towards being qualified Powerboat Instructors. Like many of our other activities, this is a great example of when we are stronger working with others.
- In November, a group of Explorers and leaders visited Karel Doorman in Bergen Op Zoom, in the southern Netherlands. This trip showed both the maturity of our oldest Explorers and the depth of the cross border relationship with Karel Doorman. It was fantastic to be able to prepare for our 2024 trip from the town square!

None of this would be possible without an amazing and varied team of volunteers - including those over and under 18,



Developing the Water Activity Centre

Since the 1930s, Warspite has based its boating on the Thames at Thames Ditton, originally from the Metropolitan Water Board's Water Works site, but since 1979 at our present location at City Wharf, alongside our fantastic colleagues from Ajax Sea Scouts.

The lease for the site is jointly to the two groups from Elmbridge Borough Council. Spearheaded by Andrew Roberts, a trustee at Ajax, we have been in discussion with the council about modernising and improving our lease over the last few years.

This came to a conclusion in early 2024, when the Groups signed a new lease which not only updated the provisions but also increased the land leased to the groups on both the river side and space to create a storage compound in the Trailer Park.



Before and After



The creation of the storage compound and the improvements to the trailer park will make a massive difference to the work of the two groups. This brings a number of pieces of equipment onsite which will reduce the risk to them as well as the many hours of volunteer time which was formally required to collect them from storage. It will also mean that the space around the Water Activity Centre is more usable and safer.

The resurfacing work was undertaken by a volunteer team drawn from both groups. When combined with work done on the building roof this winter, this makes a massive step forward in providing both groups with excellent facilities and shows the enormous benefit that both groups gain from working together.



Behind this endeavour is the generosity of many. This has included the Gosling Foundation who have given generously to enable the project, Stone Rowe Brewer for legal support on the lease, Duane Morris for legal support on the intergroup agreement, Elmbridge Estates team for both their professionalism and their dedication to improving the borough, Ringway and Eurasia Surfacing for their help with the materials resurfacing and the residents of Ditton Reach for their amazing support in helping us to achieve this; as well as all the volunteers who gave generously of their time and enthusiasm to complete the works.



Squirrel Scout Section Report

23/24 was a fun packed year for squirrels, we met new friends and said goodbye to others as they moved onto beavers, one having achieved their acorn award (the highest award a squirrel can earn).

We are a family friendly unit with parents / carers attending with their squirrels and getting stuck into the activities ensuring their squirrel gets the best they can from the session. We have had stories, craft and games aplenty with many badges earned. We even had a go at one of the special scout Disney badges this year where the squirrels became young Jedi for a couple of weeks, learning about teamwork. And I was a very proud leader when the squirrels attended the annual Poppy service for the first time.

We haven't just confined ourselves to HQ either we have been out and about a fair bit too; litter picking, teddy bears picnic, going to the library and lots of walks, Our Christmas lights walk was a fun way for our youngest members to experience an age appropriate night hike. We've had visits from a policeman, a paramedic and a beekeeper which have all been great fun and provided lots of hands on experiences for the children.

Squirrels is a real team effort and this was demonstrated even more so during the summer term when ill health caused me to miss most of it. Fox (Egg), Derek (Baghera), Rabbit (Linda), Kingfisher (Daniel) the young leaders and the brilliant parents and carers carried on and made sure the squirrels continued to have a great program. I couldn't do it without them.

Tracy (Lead volunteer for squirrels)



Beaver Scout Section Report

Beavers have certainly been busy during 2023/24 ! The year started excitingly with our first proper Sleepover away (post-Covid) at Boidier Hurst camp site, where Beavers were introduced to a wide range of Scouting skills, and a great time was had by all, despite the somewhat inclement weather . At least we managed to toast marshmallows and practice our campfire singing in an authentic rural setting before the heavens opened !

And we've since taken the opportunity to get outdoors whenever we can from a Hogsmill 'Hike', scavenger hunt at Horton LNR, to rounders and puzzle challenges in the park, and a pond dip/bug sweep to survey some local wildlife. Beavers have also had opportunities to get out on the river in various craft, to experience some of what being a Sea Scout is all about !

Many badges have been earned on a variety of topics from Global Issues, Builder , Navigator, Space and Disability Awareness, and we also met with fellow local Colonies to learn about Emergency Aid,

and to walk the Lizard Trail on Headley Heath; thankfully this year the weather was kind to us !

We have celebrated events from far and wide, expanding our knowledge of Wimbledon Tennis, Burns Night, Lunar and Persian New Years and their various customs. And Beavers stood proud and respectful, to take part in the Group's Remembrance Day Parade at HQ in November.

Beavers made new Friends , had great Fun along the way, always attempting to Do their best, and uphold their Beaver Promise. We have worked hard to get our badge work back on track, and are proud to have awarded 6 well-deserved Chief Scout Bronze during the year.

As always we are hugely grateful to all Adults and Young Leaders who have made it all possible...

**Linda Grant (Rabbit)
Beaver Scout Leader**





Cub Scout Section Report

What an amazing year the pack has had.

Camps

It is always great to go back to Elstead, it always feels like home for us for the week long camp. The weather could have been nicer to us with a wet first day setting up in the rain but as ever with the help of all the parents and carers we were all set up in record time ready to start our week. It did not stop us!

We made dens, built catapults, played wide games, went canoeing and kayaking, went swimming, hiking and made pizza. We tied knots, made memories to last a lifetime, challenged ourselves and generally had a fantastic time. Many new friendships were established, badges gained and skills acquired. A very successful week.

Our activity weekend saw us at Walton Firs campsite. A weekend full of activities such as crate stacking, caving, bouldering, team activities and of course a campfire.

Winter weekend, for the older Cubs, took place at Boidier Hurst. With the Cubs cooking for themselves, taking part in wide games, camp fires, craft and much more.

Our March sleepover for newer cubs was based at H.Q with a trip to the trampoline park on the Friday night, a sleepover at H.Q followed by a morning of activities such as fire lighting, finding our way through the maze and indoor archery. It is a great introduction to camping with War-spire.

Badges and awards

Over the year we have worked on our astronomer, money skills, gardener, scientist and digital maker badge to name just a few. The Cubs have also worked hard at their 'badges at home' which include home help, sports enthusiast, martial arts and snowsports. In all we have gained over 400 badges. The highlight of these is the 7 Chief Scout Silver awards, the highest award a cub can gain.



Other activities throughout the year include, hikes around the local area, an indoor campfire with campfire songs and hot dogs, craft evenings, Cub water activities day and much much more. We had a really good turnout at our Remembrance parade where a number of our Cubs took part with readings and prayers. We were all very proud of how smart and respectful they all were.

None of this could happen without a number of dedicated volunteers, young and adult leaders and parents. Thank you to everyone who has made this a year to remember.

Claire Hunt (Akela)
Cub Scout Leader

Scout Section Report

2023/24 saw the Scout Troop involved in a huge variety of activities both as part of our regular weekly musters and beyond this.

The 1st part of the year centred on the boating season and the Troop was active on the water. Regular musters included rowing, sailing, kayaking, canoeing, paddle-boarding and power boating.

As part of the season, we had 3 joint dinghy sailing weekends with Ajax Sea Scouts in Chichester Harbour, based at the Cobnor Activity Centre.

We also took part in the National Regatta, winning many trophies and the Great River Race, where the team won the Ritchie Richardson trophy for the most effort displayed by a junior crew.

The winter season at HQ was equally active with the ever enjoyed chip shop challenge, cooking, craft activities, skill building, communicator badge and work towards the global faith badge.

Above and beyond this there is a large element of fun and teamwork with challenges ranging from tyre chariots to catapult building.

During the refurbishment of the HQ in March, the Troop were "out and about", including learning skills at the Water Activity Centre and a night wide game in Oxshott Woods.

Of course, there can only be part of a Scout's year. Above the we had a wide variety of activities including a joint hike and boating with the Dutch Sea Scouts, visits to Teddington RNLI station, Scuba Diving and much more.

Summer Camp was in Bournemouth this year and included boating, exploring, beaches, climbing, archery, shooting, fires, cooking and even fencing. Special praise goes to the Scouts and leaders who coped with an 11th hour change of location after unseasonal weather led to our planned site being flooded.

All of these shows the resilience and talents of both our young people. A massive thanks to them all for a brilliant year of activities, challenge and fun.

As always, massive thanks go to our outstanding volunteer team for their commitment and enthusiasm.

Richard Hunt;
GSL / Acting Scout Leader





Explorer Scout Section Report

This last year has been busy for the Group and the Explorer Unit, really returning to normal Sea Scouting, post pandemic.

We kicked off the year in April with an activities focused Easter Camp, held at Broadstone Warren, assisted with a boating day for Wallington Network – an absolutely amazing groups of people with additional needs – and joined our sister group, Ajax, for a weekend of sailing at Cobnor.

May and June saw multiple boating sessions for the unit, both evenings and weekends, developing and progress their own skills and also supporting other sections and groups with the same.

July saw the return of the National Sea Scout Regatta with the Unit members winning several individual events with some of the unit had the opportunity to boat out of HMS Excellent.

A very warm August saw the unit return to the Norfolk Broads for their 1st 'proper' Summer Camp since 2019. We had an amazing week with the unit going on an overnight canoe expedition, dry slope tubing, bowling, fun fairs, disc golf, boating and volleyball competitions.

In September, the unit crewed 3 Home Counties Gig to honour the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd in a memorial procession, which replaced the great River Race. All 3 crews rowed over 21 miles with in 4 hours on the tidal Thames... an amazing achievement! We also returned to Cobnor for a final sailing weekend.

October saw a return to our HQ for our Youth Led Winter and Spring Season which included a Winter Camp in Southwood Activity Centre in Tolworth, Chip Shop challenges, Halloween Party, Scuba diving, Xmas London landmark orienteering and an Easter Camp at Broadstone Warren. Our regular weekly musters also allowed us to award over 100 badges and awards to the Explorers.

After trying to condense our 22/23 season into the above I reflect in awe of 3 things:

1. Our Explorers, who continue to develop and challenge themselves week after week but more importantly give back to the unit and the wider Warspite group.
2. The Explorer Leadership team who volunteer their personal time to make all the above possible for the young people.
3. The Warspite Family, from the Exec team through to the occasional helper, everyone makes a massive contribution to the experiences available for both the young people and the volunteers alike.

Chris Bishop, Explorer Scout Leader



Explorer Scout Young Leader Section Report

Warspite's Young Leaders are a massive and key part of our volunteer team, and have been so for most of the history of Warspite.

These young people not only provide an incredibly high level of skills, they also act as role models and inspiration for our younger sections

Training for these young volunteers includes both the Scout Association's Young Leader Training scheme, which is delivered by a brilliant group of volunteers from across Epsom & Ewell Scout District, but also specialist skills training. This year saw 6 of our young leaders qualifying as British Canoeing Paddle-sports Instructors; as well as camping and outdoor skills.

Of course, like all volunteers, there are skills and abilities which are developed by these young people. Over their time as

young leaders they will develop confidence, leadership abilities, communication skills and the ability to be part of a multi generational team.

We are incredibly grateful for our Young Leaders.





Monday Maintenance

Whilst the new ceiling was supplied and fitted by a specialist contractor (Swiftsure Interior Solutions Ltd, who are highly recommended, by the way), the tender process and vetting of contractors was carried out by members of the regular maintenance team.

This small team, numbering 3 or 4 most weeks, effect running-repairs as required, as well as routine maintenance and, sometimes, larger improvements to the HQ.

Most recently, the larger works have included the removal of the old fitted cupboards at the back of the hall, replacing them with new ones which make better use of the space.

These will, ultimately, have more storage space above and, at the time of writing the first cupboard on the upper-level (which will be accessible from the landing) is under construction.

There is a never-ending list of odds and ends to do, with the building being so intensively used by such a large and active group.

Things break and need fixing, get grubby and need painting etc etc.

No specific skills are needed should you fancy helping out.

Weekly sessions start at 19:30 and, normally, run til about 21:30. Details from Graham or Richard.



Partnerships

Having strong partnerships is a key part of Warspite's strategy. Whilst we engage with a range of groups and organisations, there are some key ones we would wish to thank for their support.

Ajax Sea Scouts

As in previous years, our partnership with our sister group - 4th Thames Ditton (Ajax) Sea Scouts leads to great advantages for both groups. There are shared resources, shared events, a shared RYA centre and shared best practice.

The list of those from Ajax who have made a massive contribution to us is too long to name individually, but we thank them all for their support, under the leadership of Chris Callaghan-West, Group Scout Leader and with the support of Andy Davison, Chairman, Peter Wadsworth, Deputy GSL, Dan Callaghan-West, Beaver Scout Leader, Robert Elliott, Scout Section Leader, Diane Davison, retiring Scout Section Leader, Ruth Mortby, Cub Section Leader, Nick Barber, retiring Explorer Scout Section Leader and Jan Harley, Explorer Scout Leader.

Karel Doorman Sea Scouts, Bergen - Op - Zoom, Netherlands.

Our Dutch sister group is a great source of inspiration and strength to Warspite. We tremendously enjoyed their visit to us in the spring and our Explorer Scout and leader recce trip in November. We are looking forward to our camp in August.

Teddington RNLI

We are grateful for the support and time given by Teddington RNLI and have joint activities planned for the RNLI's 200th birthday.





One in Eight

As many of you will be aware, the group own a 35 ft Cornish Pilot Gig called One-In-Eight.

Named "Revenge 2" when purchased from Lyme Regis Gig Club by a couple of supporters of Warspite, it was then renamed One-In-Eight and gifted to the group.

The reason for the name is that one in eight men will get prostate cancer and the "senior" (to put it kindly!) crew that row the boat in The Great River Race, have raised money for Prostate Cancer UK in doing so.

One of the crew, Kevin Webber, has a terminal diagnosis of this terrible disease.



After 2 Great River Races, and a 50 mile row down the Thames, from Henley to Thames Ditton last summer, it has been decided to change the charity beneficiary.

Another of the crew, Peter Morton (one of the original buyers of the boat) has a daughter who, sadly, has been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis so it was decided to switch the fund-raising activity to the MS Society.

To this end, it was felt the boat should be re-painted in the colours of the chosen charity and this work took place over the winter.

At the time of writing, she is finished but still in the workshop at the WAC, whilst the river is in flood, hence there are no decent photos of the finished article.

Plans for the coming season include The Great River Race in September and another long-distance row on The Thames, this time a 100-mile relay, in July.

The "oldies" will do the first half from a tiny place in Oxfordshire called Bablock Hythe down to Henley, where they will hand over to an Explorer crew who will do the second half, finishing at the WAC.

Huge thanks to Gareth Thomas at Akzonobel for the large amount of primers and paints donated to the project!





Group Treasurer's Report and Adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2024

It's been a strong year for the Group, with membership standing at 173 paying subs at the end of the financial year contributing to the Group's funds. The income from subs is used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the sections. The central costs include maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the district capitation charge.

Various maintenance projects for our main hall and our water activity centre in Thames Ditton have taken place. This has obviously made an impact on our finances, but our income remains strong to cover these costs. One of the main projects has been the ceiling replacement to our hall. Many quotes were sought, with the final cost being £14,462. A lot of work has been carried out at the water activity centre with a large project now completed to create an enclosed trailer park area behind the main building. Much of this work has been carried out by our volunteers and financed by a £20K Gosling grant received by Ajax Sea Scout Group who we share the building with.

Our excellent water activity centre is very well used with our fleet of boats, canoes and associated equipment remaining well stocked. This is maintained by our team of dedicated volunteers who work throughout the year to ensure that everything is ready and safe to use. The cost of capital purchases of boats and related equipment is financed through central costs.

Insurance costs remain high, although we always look at the market when renewals are due. The insurances we hold cover our buildings, boats, minibus etc.

Training continues to be an essential part of our program of events throughout the year, mainly carried out by our excellent leadership team as well as recognised outside training facilities. This is mainly financed through central funding.

To offset our costs, we look at various ways to raise funds including the following:

The Group puts in an annual application to HMRC for a Gift Aid refund for all admissible subs and donation payments received. We have just received the sum of £6,822 for the year 2023/4 which will show in next year's accounts.

It has been a successful year for sourcing grants and donations as well as fundraising, with this year totalling at £20,414 in grants and donations and £7,017 in fundraising.

To further enhance our income, we hire out the hall to a few trusted groups giving us an income for the year 2023/4 of £3,410.

There have been many successful camps during the year which are always self-financing, although any additional equipment or replacement equipment, including tents, cooking equipment, storage etc. needed for the camps to function is financed centrally.

The success of the Group is down to the amazing team of volunteers, from the section leaders, young leaders, boat maintenance team, building maintenance team, kitchen crews at the camps, general helpers, parents' help and of course the support of our fantastic group of young people who turn up every week to enjoy scouting at its best and all the enormous benefits it gives.

Gary Seeley, Group Treasurer





**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024 **Charity no
(if any)** 305711

Set out on pages

24 to 35
(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2023**.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:  **Date:** 03/03/2024

Name: Derek H Lane

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCA

Address: 30 Willowbank Gardens
Tadworth, Surrey
KT20 5DS

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

On accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022		Charity no (if any) 305711
Set out on pages		
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended		
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").		
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than those disclosed below) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:		
* the accounts do not accord with the accounting records		
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.		
Signed:		
Name:		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):		
Address:		



1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

The Group is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scout Groups.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024
Receipts and Payments Account Summary
for the year ended 31 March 2024

	<u>Year to 31st March 2024</u>	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>
Total Receipts for the Year	£124,970	£106498.00
Total Payments for the Year	£153,571	£113595.00
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year	-£28,601	-£7097.00
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	£158239.85	£165338.00
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds carried forward	£129,638.58	£158239.85

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on the 28th August 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman:

Graham Nash

Group Treasurer:

Gary Seeley

Group Scout Leader

Richard Hunt



Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2024

	<u>Year to 31st March 2024</u>	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>
Subscriptions	£29,081.50	£23,311
Investment Income		
Bank	£2,370.09	£559
Donations/Grants		
Various	£20,415	£7,183
Premises Redevelopment	-	-
Activities		
Group	£1,357	£15,170
Squirrels	£1,826	£0
Beaver Scouts	£1,577	£126
Cub Scouts	-	-
Scouts	£656	£123
Explorers	£2,969	£459
Cobnor	£4,290	£1,620
Camps	£29,355	£24,032
Fund Raising Activities		
Fund Raising - various	£7,017	£9,669
Sundry Receipts		
Hall Hire	£3,410	£6,940
Minibus Use	£100	£100
Gift Aid/Covenants	£5,946	£6,635
Uniform Sales	£5,760	£1,863
Training	£3,751	£3,000
Asset Sales	£1,450	£3,600
Sundry Income	£3,640	£2,108
Total Receipts	£124,970	£106,498

Payments for the year ended 31 March 2024

Year to 31st March 2024

Year to 31st March 2023

Capitation to District	£8,308	£6,426
Subscriptions	£98	-
 Premises & Facilities Costs		
Rent and Rates	£642	£360
Light and Heat	£4,410	£4,936
Telephone & Broadband	£705	£625
Insurance-Property	£3,388	£2,415
Insurance-Boats	£3,785	£3,474
Repairs-Premises	£6,297	£738
Boat Maintenance	£13,649	£12,402
Hall Ceiling Replacement	£14,462	-
 Activities		
Group (No. 3 Account)	£261	£13,773
Group - Fund Raising	£3,787	£4,417
Squirrels	£2,204	-
Beaver Scouts	£1,020	£533
Cub Scouts	£361	£373
Scouts	£380	£1,151
Explorers	£3,166	£727
Cobnor	£6,440	£2,460
Camps	£27,587	£21,307
 Administration Expenses		
Admin/General expenses	£656	£472
Bank charges	£191	£435
 Purchase of Capital Equipment		
Equipment	£8,877	£5,199
Boats	£10,633	£12,723
WAC Redevelopemnt	£3,647	£839
Minibus	-	-
 Sundry Payments		
Training	£7,454	£2,288
Minibus Insurance	£825	£760
Minibus Expenses	£1,757	£2,473
Purchase of Uniform	£9,114	£3,707
Donations	-	£1,122
Insurance-Accident & Medical	£94	£94
Camping Gas	£914	£543
Wheely Bin	£600	£600
Asbestos Survery	-	£180
Sundry Expenses	£7,861	£6,044
 Total Payments	 £153,571	 £113,595



Assets & Liabilities as at 31 March 2024

	<u>Year to 31st March 2024</u>	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>
<u>Monetary Assets</u>		
Bank	£129,113.58	£157,714.85
Cash in Hand	£525.00	£525.00
Totals	£129,638.58	£158,239.85
<u>Debtors</u>		
Capitation overpayment	-	-
Totals	£0.00	£0.00
<u>Non-monetary Assets</u>		
Headquarters	£800,028.00	£714,311.00
Water Activities Centre(WAC)	£337,500.00	£300,000.00
Motor Vehicles	£0.00	£0.00
Boats & related equipment	£100,804.00	£97,124.00
Equipment, Furniture etc.	£46,437.60	£42,216.00
Totals	£1,284,769.60	£1,153,651.00
Overall Total	£1,414,408.18	£1,311,890.85

Notes:

The valuations of the "Non-monetary Assets" are based on their insured values except for the minibus.

The Group's headquarters, at Cunliffe Road, is freehold. No value is given for the land.

The Water Activities Centre is a ninety-nine year leasehold which commenced in 1979.

During 2024 the lease was surrendered and regranted to update both terms and scope of land held, but with no change to the end date.

Annual ground rent is currently £100, reviewable in 2028 and then every 5th year in line with the Retail Price Index.

The WAC property insurance was reviewed during 2024 and an appropriate level of cover applied..

The value of the minibus has been fully written off in our books but it is insured at its current market value.



Sectional Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

Squirrels

Receipts and Payments 2023/2024

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions	£0.00	Capitation	£0.00
Sundry income	£0.00	Sundries	£0.00
Uniform	£0.00	Uniform	£0.00
Camps	£0.00	Camps	£0.00
Activities	£0.00	Activities & Equipment	£2,204.01
Equipment	£0.00	Equipment	£0.00
Donations	£0.00	Admin Expenses	£0.00
Interest	£0.00	Transfer to Group	£0.00
Donations / Grants	£1,826.00	Charges	£0.00
	£1,826.00		£2,204.01

Beaver Scout Colony

Receipts and Payments 2023/2024

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Sundry	£828.58	Sundries	£828.58
Uniform		Uniform	
Camps	£140.00	Camps	£201.99
Activities & Equipment	£748.00	Activities & Equipment	£131.40
Donations		Admin Expenses	
Interest		Transfer to Group	
	£1,716.58	Bank Charge	£60.00
Balance at 1st April 2023	£1,691.43	Balance at 31st March 2024	£2,186.04

Cub Scout Pack

Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Camps	£10,642.41	Camps	£10,353.55
Activities		Activities	£300.55
Uniform		Uniform	
Training		Equipment	
Donations		Training	
Interest		Donations	
Sundry		Admin Expense	
	£10,642.41	Sundry	
		Transfer to Group	
		Bank Charges	£60.00
Balance at 1st April 2023	£7,808.04	Balance at 31st March 2024	£10,714.10
			£7,736.35

Squirrels are funded entirely through the main Group account and have no directly allocated monies.



Sectional Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2024

Sea Scout Troop

Receipts and Payments 2023/2024

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Activities		Activities	£319.97
Uniform	£56.00	Uniform	
Donations		Equipment & Boats	
Interest		Training	
Camps	£9,181.00	Camps	£7,682.92
Cobnor	£1,640.00	Cobnor	£2,220.00
Sundries	£600.00	Expenses	
		Group	
		Bank Charges	£60.00
	£11,477.00		£10,282.89
Balance at 1st April 2023	£5,607.69	Balance at 31st March 2024	£6,801.80

Explorers

Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Activities	£3,106.28
Activities	£2,879.00	Uniform	
Camps	£9,391.50	Camps	£9,349.00
Uniform		Admin Expenses	
Training	£90.00	Training	
Cobnor	£2,250.00	Cobnor	£1,860.00
Sundries		Sundry Expenses	
		Bank Charges	£60.00
	£14,610.50		£14,375.28
Balance at 1st April 2023	£2,611.53	Balance at 31st March 2024	£2,846.75



No. 3 Account

Receipts and Payments 2023/2024

Receipts		Payments	
Xmas Fair	£185.00	Capitation	£0.00
Sundry income	£1,026.61	Sundries	£261.03
Uniform	£5,725.92	Uniform	£4,012.94
Training	£156.00	Training	£800.00
Admin	£0.00	Activities & Equipment	£0.00
Fund Raising	£4,054.66	Fund Raising	£1,185.00
Grants	£5,220.00	Admin Expenses	£0.00
Training Pulling	£2,650.00	Transfer to Group	£14,500.00
Open Day	£330.07	Charges	£60.00
	£19,348.26		£20,818.97
Balance at 1st April 2023	£3,000.00	Balance at 31st March 2024	£1,529.29

Subs

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions	£29,081.50	Capitation	£0.00
Sundry	£0.00	Sundries	£98.00
Uniform	£0.00	Uniform	£0.00
Camps	£0.00	Camps	£0.00
Activities & Equipment	£0.00	Activities & Equipment	£0.00
Donations	£0.00	Admin Expenses	£0.00
Interest		Transfer to BMM	£28,800.00
		Bank Charge	£55.00
	£29,081.50		£28,953.00
Balance at 1st April 2023	£0.00	Balance at 31st March 2024	£128.50

**Receipts**

Credits	£3,640.05
Asset Sales	£1,450.00
Training	£945.18
Cobnor	£400.00
Uniform	£34.45
Minibus	£100.00
Hall Hire	£3,410.00
Fund Raising	£2,777.81
Grants / Donations	£17,020.61
Gift Aid	£5,945.65
Transfers	£92,500.00

£128,223.1

Balance at 1st April 2023**£560.29****Payments**

Squirrels	£2,204.01
Capitation	£8,308.25
Cobnor	£2,360.45
Charges	£75.73
Boat Insurance	£3,785.47
HQ and Wac Insurance	£3,387.66
Personnel Insurance	£94.00
Minibus Insurance	£824.53
Light / Heat	£4,409.66
Water Rates	£641.66
Broadband	£704.66
Minibus	£1,757.31
Equipment	£8,877.19
Boats	£10,632.91
Boat Maintenance	£13,648.81
Uniform	£5,100.62
Training	£6,653.63
Fund Raising	£2,601.90
Building Materials	£6,297.26
Hall Ceiling	£14,462.10
Calor Gas	£913.59
Wheely Bin WAC	£600.00
Stationery	£655.59
WAC Project	£3,646.72
Expenses	£7,861.43
Transfers	£17,000.00

£127,505.14

Balance at 31st March 2024**£1,278.89****Receipts****Uniform**

£5,725.92	No.3 Account
£34.45	Main Account

£5,760.37**Activities - Group**

£1,026.61	No.3 Sundry
£330.07	No. 3 Open Day

£1,356.68**Training**

£945.18	Main Account
£156.00	No.3 Account
£2,650.00	No. 3 Training Pulling

Fund Raising

£2,777.81
£4,054.66
£185.00

£7,017.47**Grants**

£15,194.61
£5,220.00
£20,414.61

Payments**Uniform**

£5,100.62	Main Account
£4,012.94	No.3 Account

£9,113.56**Training**

£6,653.63	Main
£800.00	No.3

£7,453.63



BANK/CASH 31 March 2024

	Group	Beavers	Cubs	Scouts	Explorers	Total
BANK	£109,542.64	£2,186.04	£7,736.35	£6,801.80	£2,846.75	£129,113.58
	£109,542.64	£2,186.04	£7,736.35	£6,801.80	£2,846.75	£129,113.58
CASH IN HAND	£525.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£525.00
Group cash balances	£110,067.64	£2,186.04	£7,736.35	£6,801.80	£2,846.75	£129,638.58

Note:

Reserves

In 2008 the Trustees decided to establish certain reserves to ensure that the Group had sufficient monies to cover the replacement or repair of certain assets.

The current reserves are as follows :-

Buildings -	£5,000.00
Boats -	£5,000.00
Equipment -	£5,000.00
Minibus -	£10,000.00
WAC Redevelopment	£25,000.00
General Reserves -	£25,000.00
Total-Reserves	£75,000.00

The Group's reserves have been reviewed and restructured to reflect the Group's current activities.

No further amounts have been added to reserves this year as the Trustees consider that the Reserves are appropriate based on the condition of the Group's assets.

All grant monies received have been spent on various projects including



Receipts analysis 2023/2024

	GROUP	SQUIRRELS	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Subscriptions	£29,081.50						£29,081.50
Capitation							£0.00
Bank Interest	£2,370.09						£2,370.09
Donations/grants	£20,414.60						£20,414.60
Activities:							
Group	£1,356.68						£1,356.68
Squirrels		£1,826.00					£1,826.00
Beavers			£1,576.58				£1,576.58
Cubs				-			£0.00
Scouts					£656.00		£656.00
Explorers						£2,969.00	£2,969.00
Cobnor	£400.00				£1,640.00	£2,250.00	£4,290.00
Camps			£140.00	£10,642.41	£9,181.00	£9,391.50	£29,354.91
Fundraising	£7,017.47						£7,017.47
Hall Hire	£3,410.00						£3,410.00
Minibus Use	£100.00						£100.00
Gift Aid	£5,945.65						£5,945.65
Uniform Sales	£5,760.37						£5,760.37
Training	£3,751.18						£3,751.18
Asset Sales	£1,450.00						£1,450.00
Sundry Income	£3,640.05						£3,640.05
	£84,697.59	£1,826.00	£1,716.58	£10,642.41	£11,477.00	£14,610.50	£124,970.08

Note:

Subscriptions for all Sections are collected by Group. After the payment of capitation all surplus subscriptions have been taken by Group towards central costs.

The Group funds part of its asset purchases and adult training through grants. The major grant providers this year were:-

Surrey County Scouts	£1,850.00	Adult Training
Surrey County Council	£1,826.00	Squirrels
Ewell Rotary	£750.00	Support Grant
Local Giving	£500.00	Paddles
RN Sea Scouts	£3,120.00	Adult Training
RN Sea Scouts	£2,100.00	Adult Training
Charity Trust	£875.00	Unrestricted Grant
Legacy	£10,000.00	Rob Foote Estate

Group activities include all activities that are not particularly Section orientated as well as those that include external participants such as training courses. Any surpluses of income over expenditure is taken into Warspite's main accounts to contribute to the fixed assets and equipment required for these events.

During the year the Sections each undertook several camps ranging from a weekend to a full week.

Sundries include the refund of expenses or equipment purchased by the Group and repaid by third parties.

Explorers are part of the District structure but since 2008/09 their figures have been included within the Group's accounts. This followed an agreement with District that the Explorers should be included within this Group's accounts because of their close connection with the Group through their use of Group assets and Partnership Agreement.

The Group has no active Fund Raising Committee. All fund raising undertaken during the year was on an adhoc basis and as such any proceeds have been incorporated within the Group numbers.



Payments analysis 2023/2024

	GROUP	SQUIRRELS	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Capitation	£8,308.25						£8,308.25
Subscriptions	£98.00						£98.00
Water Rates	£641.66						£641.66
Light and Heat	£4,409.66						£4,409.66
Telephone & Broadband	£704.66						£704.66
HQ & Boathouse Insurance	£3,387.66						£3,387.66
Boats Insurance	£3,785.47						£3,785.47
Premises Maintenance - Hall	£6,297.26						£6,297.26
Boat Maintenance	£13,648.81						£13,648.81
Hall Ceiling Replacement	£14,462.10						£14,462.10
Activities:							
Group	£261.03						£261.03
Group - Fund Raising	£3,786.90						£3,786.90
Squirrels		£2,204.01					£2,204.01
Beavers			£1,019.98				£1,019.98
Cubs				£360.55			£360.55
Scouts					£379.97		£379.97
Explorers						£3,166.28	£3,166.28
Cobnor	£2,360.45				£2,220.00	£1,860.00	£6,440.45
Camps			£201.99	£10,353.55	£7,682.92	£9,349.00	£27,587.46
Admin Expenses	£655.59						£655.59
Bank Charges	£190.73						£190.73
Capital purchases							
Equipment	£8,877.19						£8,877.19
Boats & related equipment	£10,632.91						£10,632.91
WAC Redevelopment	£3,646.72						£3,646.72
Minibus & equipment	£0.00						£0.00
Training	£7,453.63						£7,453.63
Minibus Insurance	£824.53						£824.53
Minibus Expenses	£1,757.31						£1,757.31
Uniform	£9,113.56						£9,113.56
AGM/RN Expenses	£0.00						£0.00
Insurance-Accident & Medical	£94.00						£94.00
Camping gas	£913.59						£913.59
Wheely Bin	£600.00						£600.00
Sundry Expenses	£7,861.43						£7,861.43
	£114,773.10	£2,204.01	£1,221.97	£10,714.10	£10,282.89	£14,375.28	£153,571.35



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1ST CUDDINGTON SEA SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305711

Accounts

1ST CUDDINGTON (WARSPITE) SEA SCOUT GROUP

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23



The Death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd, both patron of the Scout Association and a former Sea Ranger, was marked by a 21.6 mile Row by over 200 boats through central London; replacing the Great River Race. Warspite's contribution included 4 Youth & 1 Adult team; as well as safety crews.

Scouts 
1st Cuddington
(Warspite) Sea Scouts





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The year saw Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorer sections undertaking nights away and camps.





GROUP DETAILS

1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout

Group Headquarters:

Warspite Sea Scouts HQ
Cunliffe Road
Ewell
Epsom
Surrey. KT19 0RJ

Water Activities Centre:

19B Ditton Reach
Thames Ditton
Surrey.
KT7 0XB

There are no facilities for mail at either of the above addresses.

All Correspondence to:

Graham Nash, Chairman of Trustees
87 Castle Avenue, East Ewell, Surrey. KT17 2PJ

Trustees for year:

Graham Nash	Chairman
Heather Smith	Secretary
Malcolm Hunt	Treasurer
Suzanne Pearson	
Claire Hunt	Cub Scout Leader
Richard Callaghan	
Hazel Draper	
Leonard Brooker	
Thomas Randall	
Alan Mobbs	
Shirley Clifton	
Peter Weekes	
Linda Grant	Beaver Scout Leader
Daniel Webber	
Gareth Weekes	
Richard Hunt	Group Scout Leader
Chris Bishop	Explorer scout Leader
Paul Draper	



Agenda for Annual General Meeting on Monday 11th September 2023 at 20:00

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2022 Annual General Meeting.

Governance Oversight

4. Adoption of Constitution in line with POR 5.4
5. Note the dates of financial year being 1st April to 31st March.
6. Agree numbers who can be elected to the Trustee Board as 6
7. Agree Quorums for Scout Council, Trustee Board & any Sub Committees
 1. Scout Council: 10 members including the two of GSL, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary
 2. Trustee Board:
 - Over 50% of the members are present including representation from both uniformed & non uniformed roles.
 - Two of GSL, Chair, Treasurer & Secretary are present.
 - A vice or deputy chair may be appointed from time to time - by or between meetings, by the committee in general.
 - Occasionally views may sought electronically in the interest of expediency. The chair's decision as to whether this is quorate is final.
 3. Sub Committees: As decided by the Trustee Board in the Sub Committee's Terms of Reference

Review of Previous year

8. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2023
9. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2023 delivered by the GSL, with reflections from Alan Mobbs,

Appointments

10. Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Trustee Board for 2023/24:
 - Graham Nash
11. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer
 - Group Secretary: Kirsty Watson
 - Group Treasurer: Gary Seeley
12. Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Trustee Board for 2023/24: Peter Weekes, Gareth Weekes, Paul Draper, Michelle Zal, Kelly Bishop
13. Election to the Group Trustee Board and Trustees for 2023/24: Hazel Draper, Shirley Clifton, Thomas Randall, Richard Callaghan, Daniel Webber, Suzanne Pearson

Note: Section Leaders and GSL are ex-officio members of the Trustee Board unless they choose not to serve as trustees. This encompasses: Tracy Siner (Squirrels), Linda Grant (Beavers), Claire Hunt (Cubs), Chris Bishop (ESL), Richard Hunt (GSL). There is presently no appointed Scout Leader. These leaders have agreed in writing to undertake the role of trustee.

14. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2023/24: Derek Lane
15. Address by a District Representative
16. Presentations and Awards
17. Any Other Business.



**Minutes for Annual General Meeting on Monday 12th September 2022 at 20:00
at Warspite HQ**

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks – Graham Nash

The chairman welcomed everyone and recognised that it was good to meet in person. As a matter of respect of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II, we will be restricting this meeting to the formal business only. Award presentations will be on another occasion & tonight we will focus on fulfilling the legal obligations of this meeting. The District has provided a book of condolences. We also wanted to share some good & happy news at this time and wish congratulations to Gareth and Cat on the arrival of baby Jensen.

2. Apologies for Absence

Hazel Draper and Matthew Pettipher-Young.

3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting – Richard Hunt

Matters arising – None

Acceptance of last year's minutes: Proposed by Ian Smalley. Seconded by Gareth Weekes.

4. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2022 – Malcolm Hunt

2021/22 has been a year of change. Since the Group's last AGM, we have progressively opened up such that now we are back to our pre-Covid activities levels.

Positively we benefited from the return of external hirers to the hall, membership numbers being maintained and further grants from Central Government. However, our ability to fund raise was restricted with the only fundraising event being the Christmas Fair and tree sales.

The net impact of this year of transition was that the Group's financial position improved. Going forward last year's surplus will be utilised to improve the Group's facilities and add additional assets for the benefit of current and future members.

This group has a long history providing experiences to children that they might not otherwise have. It has never been cheap but with the help of many hours of time given freely by generations of uniform leaders and others through fund raising and maintenance activities, the Group has endeavoured to keep subscriptions as low as possible. This year's accounts include the subs from the Explorer Scout unit although the unit is part of the District setup.

The subs are used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the Sections. The central costs are maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the District capitation charge. Last year subs contributed 67% (78%) of central costs. The balance was principally funded by Gift Aid claims. Donations and grants finance new equipment and training as well as a contribution towards renovations and repairs. Without the donations and grants purchases of new equipment would be restricted. In 2009, thirteen years ago subs were increased to meet raising costs as well as urgent building maintenance. Since the start of this financial year our costs particularly relating to heating and lighting have increase substantially. The Trustees are seriously reviewing the level of subs as a result of the substantial increases.

Last year, the Group restarted its programme of upgrading and improving our buildings, boat fleet and equipment. The cost of this expenditure was significant (£19k) and it was funded principally from grants. Maintenance and improvements to our buildings are undertaken on a rolling programme. It is however stressed that the activities of the Group's Sections continue to be paramount. Stable numbers of members reflects that our leadership team is achieving this aim. The Trustees are reviewing how to develop the Group's assets for the future benefit of our membership. Plans to improve both the hall and the Water Activities Centre facilities are being considered but as both would have a significant cost, matters are being slowly progressed. As with all major projects there is a fine dividing line between current needs and the future focus and how the cost will be funded.

Acceptance of accounts: Proposed by Peter Weekes. Seconded by Daniel Webber.



5. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2022 delivered by the GSL – Richard Hunt

Normally, I say that I am not going to remind you about the year that we are discussing - but this year I am (briefly). As life has gone back to normal, it seems impossible to realise that over the year to March 2022, we had:

- Covid lockdowns,
- we had Zoom meetings, and
- we had rules changing faster than I can remember.

And yet we had an amazing year of activity. We had the Beavers at Boidier Hurst for a fun day (which in no way caused a lockdown).

We had the massive improvements in HQ, which took place just as lockdown restrictions eased.

We had summer camps for Cubs, Scouts and Explorers, despite that the rules about these changed only two weeks before the starting time. For those of us on camps, the sight of mass Covid tests will be one that we will try to forget.

So, a massive thank you to the ever adaptable leaders, the ever enthusiastic young people and (most importantly when sessions are all over the place) their parents.

It wouldn't be right to gather here today without reflecting on this summer. A summer where life has started to feel a little more normal.

We have had the National Regatta - and you can see the trophies at the back of the room.

We have had the three weeks of summer camps - which included some "interesting" weather. The camps saw over 800 nights away; including over 500 by young people in sections and another 70 by young leaders.

We had what was to be the Great River Race this weekend, in the end the 20 young people and 12 adults took part in the Queen Elizabeth 2nd Memorial Procession; rowing over 21 miles with massive support from parents and friends along the way.

And this year, we had possibly two of my favourite new events:

- A Squirrel Scouts session at Boidier Hurst, and
- Beaver Paddleboarding.

There are challenges to come - we need to get Squirrels up and running, we have several increasing costs including heating, challenges around affordability for families and we have some big projects, including the work on the car park at the Water Activity Centre as well as changing the interior of the building.

But I am absolutely certain the Group can meet these challenges.

6. Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2022/23. I am pleased to announce that Graham Nash has agreed to carry on.

Proposed by: Shirley Clifton. Seconded by: Richard Callaghan. Carried



7. Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2022/23.

	Proposed by	Seconded by	
• Alan Mobbs	Claire Hunt	Tom Randall	<i>Carried</i>
• Len Brooker	Claire Hunt	Tom Randall	<i>Carried</i>
• Peter Weekes	Claire Hunt	Tom Randall	<i>Carried</i>
• Gareth Weekes	Claire Hunt	Tom Randall	<i>Carried</i>
• Paul Draper	Claire Hunt	Tom Randall	<i>Carried</i>

8. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer

•Group Secretary: Heather Smith. Proposed by Dean Clifton. Seconded by Chris Bishop. Carried

•Group Treasurer: Malcolm Hunt. Proposed by Dean Clifton. Seconded by Chris Bishop. Carried

9. Election to the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2022/23

	<i>Proposed by</i>	<i>Seconded by</i>	
• Hazel Draper	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>
• Shirley Clifton	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>
• Thomas Randall	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>
• Richard Callaghan	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>
• Suzanne Pearson	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>
• Daniel Webber	Linda Grant	Rachel Mansell	<i>Carried</i>

Note: Section Leaders and GSL are ex officio members of the Executive unless they choose not to serve as trustees. This encompasses: Linda Grant (Beavers), Claire Hunt (Cubs), Chris Bishop (Explorers) and Richard Hunt (GSL). Presently, there is no appointed Scout Leader.

10. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2022/23.

Thank you to Derek Lane, who is the current Independent Examiner and who is continuing in this role.

Proposed: Malcolm Hunt. Seconded: Graham Nash. Carried.

11. Address by a District Representative – Karl Nicholas (Read to meeting)

Firstly, please accept my apologies for not being with you tonight.

In the circumstances of this difficult week, it would be wrong to talk for a prolonged period about how wonderful Scouting is, although we know that the Queen as our patron had children very much at the focus of her mind and was always looking to the future. She paved the way for so many and took change and challenge in her stride. Her roots in Girlguiding and support for our great youth movements was phenomenal and many of us wear our Queen Scout awards with pride (and even more so now).

The work that is done by so very many adults within 1st Cuddington is always, and has always been, exceptional. From your weekly meetings here at HQ to the amazing skills taught at the boat house which provides such fantastic opportunities for the young people, they are truly excellent.

So thank you.

Thank you for your enthusiasm.

Thank you for your commitment

Thank you for your time

And thank you from the District, and the young people for everything you do.



12. Presentations and Awards

Not tonight as explained at the beginning.

13. Any Other Business.

None.

14. Chairman's closing comments

Please join me in a round of applause for Rich and Clare and all their hard work.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.

**Minutes by Heather Smith
Group Secretary**



Our Active Year:



Top Left : Beavers at Epsom fire station

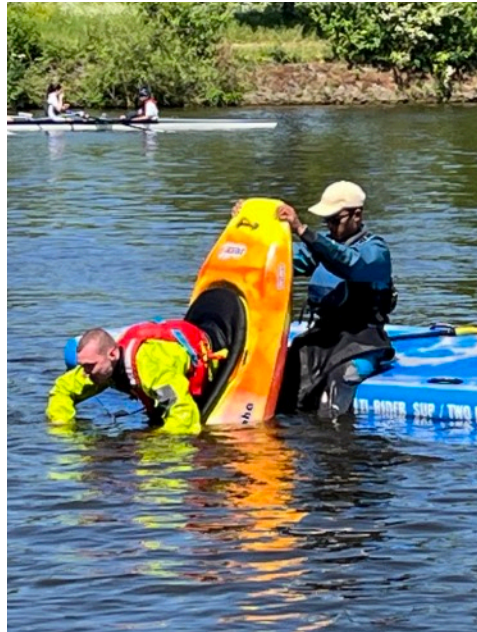
Left: Tomahawk Throwing

Bottom Left: Boating from HMS Excellent

Bottom Right: Scuba Diving

Right: Freestyle kayaking

Top Right: manning a London Marathon Water Stop.





Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/04/22 to 31/03/23

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2023

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to keep accounting records and prepare annual statements of account for the Charity, which must be audited or independently examined and provided to the Charity Commission. In preparing the annual statements of accounts the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Comply with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the annual statement of accounts; and
- Prepare the annual statement of accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and are responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activity of the Charity

The Group currently has an active Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Scout Pack, Sea Scout Troop and Explorer Sea Scout Unit. Key details of each Section are as follows:

- The Squirrels section was in a pilot phase at 31st March 2023 with 10 prospective members.
- The Beaver Scout Colony is for boys and girls aged 5¾ to 8 years. The Colony meets once a week and as at 31st March 2023 had 26 members (2022: 24 members).
- The Cub Scout Pack is for boys and girls aged 8 to 10½ years. The Pack meets once a week and as at 31st March 2023 had 48 members (2022: 42 members).
- The Sea Scout Troop is for boys and girls aged 10½ to 14½. The Troop meets once a week and as at 31st March 2023 had 54 members (2022: 44 members)
- The Explorer Sea Scout Unit is for boys and girls aged 14½ to 18. The Unit meets once a week and as at 31st March 2023 had 21 members (2022: 21 members)

It is noted that the Group is near capacity meaning that space for future expansion is limited. All Sections have continued to work in accordance with the progressive training scheme as laid down by the Scout Association. The Group has continued to operate a Royal Yachting Association recognised teaching establishment based at the Water Activities Centre and operated jointly with Ajax Sea Scouts. The Group's adult volunteers include a number of RYA, British Rowing and British Canoeing Coaches.

The Group is one of just 103 Sea Scout groups recognised by the Royal Navy. This prestigious and beneficial recognition requires a rigorous regular inspection.

Reserves

The Trustees have adopted a formal policy on reserves, which is reflected in these accounts. The policy provides that reserves be maintained at a level which has regard to:

- The risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure varying from that budgeted
- The planned activity level
- The Group's commitments
- The need for adequate readily realisable resources to meet the Group's commitments for the coming twelve month period.



Readily realisable resources are defined as the balances at the bank less net current liabilities and the balances on restricted funds. The level of reserves available at 31st March 2023 under the policy is:

1. **General Reserves. - £25,000.**
2. **Designated reserves;** These are funds that are held to allow the Group to replace/part replace key assets in the event of damage or loss. The Trustees believe these assets are key to running the Group. If utilized, the funds should be replaced as soon as possible.
 - 2.1. **Buildings - £5,000**
 - 2.2. **Boats - £5,000**
 - 2.3. **Equipment - £5,000**
 - 2.4. **Minibus - £10,000.** This increase represents the material uncertainty around the impact of London's ULEZ implementation.
3. **Specific Reserves:** There are funds to support major projects which have been agreed but not yet fully implemented.
 - 3.1. **Water Activities Centre Development - £25,000**
4. **Unspent Grants; £907.82** This is funds given for a restricted or designated purpose and not yet utilised.

The Covid-19 Designated Reserve has been closed out.

(2022: £50,000 plus £25,000 Covid-19 reserve and £3,349.59 of restricted funds).

Investment Policy

In the event that the Group has monies that are in excess of that required to meet day to day expenditure and pending major expenditure the Treasurer has the authorization to place them on a term deposit subject to the following restrictions: The deposit to be held with a UK based bank authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, the maximum term is 12 months & the total amount is not expected to be more than 50% of Reserves. In the event that the Group has additional monies scheduled for a pending future asset purchase a suitable deposit based on anticipated timescale may be made with the prior agreement of the Executive Committee. Non cash deposits or investments are not permitted.

Governance

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, The By-Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association. The Group is a Trust established under rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

The Group is managed by an Executive Committee made up of all the charity's trustees. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making of appropriate returns to the Charity Commission. The Groups Executive Committee consists of independent representatives comprising Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and parent representatives together with the Leaders of each Section and certain specialists. The Committee normally meets every two months.

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

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support

Risk Assessment

The Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate their effects as follows:

- *Damage to buildings. and equipment:* The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to militate against permanent loss.
- *Injury to leaders, members and helpers:* The leaders and members, through the capitation fees, contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Helpers are covered under a separate accident insurance policy, which the Group purchases annually. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.



- *Reduced income from fund raising:* The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could increase the level of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group either temporarily or permanently.
- *Reduction or loss of members:* The Group provides activities for young people aged 5¾ to 18. If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or of the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.

The Group requires two signatories for all cheque payments to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of money and holds comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. An exception is where the Executive Committee has authorised the Group Treasurer to make payments up to a pre-agreed limit via the Group's Bank internet system.

Group Objectives

The aim of the Group is 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 community. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by trained adult leadership.

Public Benefit

The Group actively delivers 'Every Child Matters' outcomes:

Be Healthy – We provide access to exercise. This is particularly important for those young people who do not enjoy conventional sport.

Stay Safe – We offer the chance to undertake adventurous activities within a risk assessed framework

Enjoy and Achieve – We provide an enjoyable learning experience for young people.

Make a Positive Contribution – We offer the opportunity for young people to support and lead others. We also offer the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised qualification in personal skills such as sailing and canoeing and we can help them gain coaching qualifications. Most young people who belong to the Group also undertake some form of community service during the course of their membership.

Although a small subscription is charged for membership, this covers no more than the immediate running costs of the Group and at about £3.50 per session does not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the practice that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions or fees charged for camps or outings. The Group endeavours to obtain bursaries and/or grants for those who could not otherwise afford to take part.

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



Water safety training is incredibly important and practical rescue skills are trained in Scouts & Explorers.



Group Chairman's Report

Elsewhere in this report you will read about the tremendous year that the sections have enjoyed. From Beavers to Explorers, it's been another brilliant and busy year.

We now see the emergence of Squirrels as the new entry-level section; pre-Beaver age and an exciting addition to the Warspite "family". I'm sure our excellent leadership team will ensure that this new section becomes a rewarding introduction to scouting and an exciting first step on the road to many adventures.

We should be so grateful to the amazing dedication of the uniformed adult leaders, and to the young leaders who have taken on these roles, either whilst being members of one of the sections or having passed the upper-age of the Explorer section. All willing and incredibly valuable volunteers, without whom none of this would be possible. Away from the coal-face, as it were, are a group of people who form the Group Executive Committee, which will now be known as the Group's Trustee Board

These people are trustees of the group who meet regularly to discuss all sorts of things pertaining to the efficient running of such a large group. Members of the committee include many of the aforementioned volunteer leaders, but important roles are filled by "lay people". I shan't name everyone but, we are very fortunate to have had the official roles of Treasurer and Secretary so effectively filled by Malcolm and Heather, respectively, for many years now. As they end their roles, we are incredibly grateful for their service they have given and the amazingly positive impact that they have had.

We also say thank you to two other longstanding trustees who have completed their term. Alan Mobbs & Len Brooker have brought much to the committee over the years. I am absolutely delighted they will continue in other roles with Warspite as their Trusteeship is passed on.

We have parent representatives on the committee; an extremely important role, giving a crucially different perspective to the discussions and decisions taken regarding maintaining and improving the "offering" to our young people.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank these people, who operate "behind-the-scenes", but are integral to the ongoing strength of 1st Cuddington.

Thank you, one and all, and here's to another great year for everyone connected to Warspite!

Graham Nash
Group Chairman





Group Scout Leader's Report

The year from 2022 to 2023 was one that we will not forget. For the first time since March 2020 we had a year with no significant Covid-19 disruption. Whilst the impacts of the pandemic continue to be felt in many ways, this was the first time since that point that the Group had not been subject to lockdowns or similar restrictions. And it felt good!

This was the first year of "proper" summer camps since 2019; and it says a huge amount for the teams that these were picked up without any indications of the missing years. The Cubs had a welcome return to the village of Elstead, our 2nd home since 1976. Whilst the week was not without drama based on the incredible hot weather, it showed that we are incredibly lucky to have such widespread and deep support within the village.

The Scouts were at a new site in Suffolk, and the Explorers returned to a firm favourite in Norfolk. Both offered the opportunity to undertake expeditions on the water and if you would like a great demonstration of Scouting Spirit, take a look at the film of the Explorers returning in the rain. This summer we had over 570 youth nights away from over 70 young people, supported by 30 different adults and gaining over 200 badges. What is more amazing is that these were not the only nights away over the year. We also had Beaver sleepover, Cub Activity weekend, winter camps for the older sections, Cobnor sailing weekends, Easter Explorer Camps and a new cub sleepover.

The death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd in September shocked us all; and for Warspite there was an additional impact. The passing came less than 48 hours before the Great River Race was scheduled; an epic 21 mile row along the tidal Thames. With the situation in flux, our volunteers prepared to move Warspite and other Group's boats to the start in Docklands, whilst unsure whether the race would proceed. Friday afternoon saw the transformation of the race into the 21 mile Queen Elizabeth 2nd Memorial Procession. Not only did our 4 youth teams, our adult team & our safety volunteers show the resolve, camaraderie and fortitude that was befitting this occasion but we saw the depth of volunteers. In this case, the "Warspite sewing team" produced black mourning ribbons for all the Warspite and associated sea scout vessels in under 6 hours!

The return to normality saw a range of events return. These included the National Sea Scout Regatta (some brilliant results and 2nd overall), Explorers boating in Portsmouth Harbour from HMS Excellent, the Go Canoeing sessions to support other groups getting on the water and hosting Paddlesport Instructor Training. We are always keen to support adult development in Warspite and other groups, so it was with real pleasure this year that we were able to work with the Admiral Lord Nelson Active Support Unit to deliver training for adults funded by the Royal Navy. This included VHF radio qualifications, as well as Intermediate & Advanced powerboat skills. All of these involved multiple groups, and in these and many other things we continue to work "hand in glove" with Ajax Sea Scouts. This relationship is incredibly important for both Groups and we are delighted to work with excellent volunteers such as Chris West, Peter Wadsworth, Nick Barber, Mark Faulkner, Andrew Roberts and Andy & Diane Davison. By working closely together, we are able to achieve so much more for the young people of the two Groups and other Sea Scouts.

A particular example of this has been the work on the lease of the Water Activity Centre. Work is progressing and we hope to share more exciting news in the next annual report. This work has been led by Andrew Roberts on behalf of both Groups and we are grateful for his support.

Perhaps the most exciting development in 2022-23 was the initial pilot of our new Squirrel Section. This offers family Scouting for young people aged 4 to 6 years old. It has been fantastic to see Tracy and her team launch this new section and to hear excited young voices building dens and making crafts in HQ.

2023/24 offers many exciting opportunities, not least a planned visit by our Dutch Sister Group - Karel Doorman - from Bergen Op Zoom in Southern Holland. We look forward to renewing and making friendships.

Finally, I would like to thank the most incredible team of volunteers, including our young leaders. Thanks to their dedication we are able to meet the mission of the Scout Association to "actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society."

Richard Hunt. Group Scout Leader (GSL)



Developing the Boat Fleet

2022-23 saw a number of improvements to our boat fleet. We launched the “Len Brooker”, a Home Counties Gig restored by and named for Len Brooker, our long standing boat maintainer. The boat was donated to us in a very poor state and Len has done a tremendous job in getting her ship shape.



We also purchased “Peggy”, a Mitchell 22 from Cornwall, as an all weather towing and base boat. She has now been used for a variety of tasks from Great River Race tows to Open Day experiences.





Squirrel Scout Section Report

22-23 saw a successful 6 week trial of Squirrels, the Scout Associations newest section, catering for 4-6year olds. At Warspite we are using the “family model”, which was chosen meaning each Squirrel attends with an adult encouraging family participation in Scouting right from the start.

The first cohort of Squirrels and their carers have been brilliant getting stuck in to things like games, stories, craft, quizzes and den building. It's been a lots of fun and we pack a huge amount into our meetings. I think the mixture of brilliantly loud fun balances well with our quieter moments, such as the week-ly story.

We look forward to extending and building on our program in 2023/24 as we become a permanent section and develop.

A massive “thank you” to all the adults who have got stuck in, but especially to Derek and Egg who have been absolute mainstays of the section.

Tracy Siner
Squirrel Section Leader



Beaver Scout Section Report

Whilst thankful that 2022/2023 has seen Beaver meetings return to a more ‘normal’ footing, we have been working really hard to get everything properly back ‘on track’, and reinvigorate working towards badges as an integral part of the activities we have undertaken.

Besides making new friends, and playing fun games, we have worked on Health & fitness, Safety, Communicator and Experiment badges, tried our hand at growing things from seed, and celebrated Wimbledon tennis, and the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee.

Whenever possible during summer and autumn, we took ourselves outdoors trying everything from mini grass-tennis , International games, photo-orienteering and a scavenger hunt in various local parks, and had great fun paddleboarding on the Thames during the heatwave !

October saw us conduct our first Sleepover in 3 years at HQ to ease our oldest Beavers gently back into the experience of ‘camping’ away from home, which was a great success.

We thought of others by delivering a batch of Beaver-crafted Christmas cards to Prio-

ry Court Care Home, which were well appreciated by all.

In the new year we really enjoyed visiting Epsom Fire Station and had PCSO’s visit us with their police car for Beavers to look at , sit in, and ask all sorts of questions about their work in the community.

We also teamed-up with our fellow Beavers in the District to expand our Emergency Aid knowledge and take part in the Swimming Gala at the Rainbow Centre. Unfortunately the Beaver Lizard Hike at Headley in March was rained off due to inclement British weather !

In summary....it has been a busy and productive year which we look to build on further in the months ahead, and we say a huge “Thank You!” to all the leaders, helpers and Young Leaders who have helped make it all happen .

Linda Grant (Rabbit)
Beaver Scout Leader





Cub Scout Section Report

2022-23 was a "normal" year for the Cubs with no online scouting or restriction to follow and we made the most of it.

Here is what our year looked like.

Camps

We were back in our field in Elstead for our week long summer camp doing what we do best. The weather was amazing so we



made dens, built catapults, played wide games, canoed and kayaked, went swimming, hiked, made pizza, tied knots, challenged ourselves and generally had a fantastic time. Many new friendships were established, badges gained and skills acquired. A very successful week.

Our activity weekend saw us at Boidier Hurst camp site building those camping skills ready for the summer. The Cubs put up tents, peeled vegetables for our dinner, followed trails and clues and enjoyed being outdoors.

Winter weekend, for the older Cubs, also took place at Boidier Hurst. With the Cubs cooking for themselves, taking part in wide games, camp fires and much more.

Our March sleepover for newer cubs was based at H.Q with a trip to the trampoline park on the Friday night, a sleepover at H.Q followed by a morning of activities such as fire lighting, finding out way through the maze and craft.

Badges and awards

Over the year we have worked on safety badges such as personal and road safety, as well as our emergency aid badges. We have enhanced our skills such as navigation, team work, cooking and art. In all we have gained over 500 badges. The highlight of these is the 14 Chief Scout Silver awards, the highest award a cub can gain.

With other sections from the group we took part in the District Swimming gala with 3 teams competing for the Cubs. We were well represented at the Remembrance Parade held at H.Q in November. Many of the Cubs enjoyed the Cubs water activities day as well as the family open day over the summer, giving them the chance to kayak, row, canoe or have a ride in a motor boat.

None of this would be possible without an amazing, dedicated team of younger leaders, adult leaders and supporters without whom all of this would not have been possible.

Claire Hunt (Akela)
Cub Scout Leader

Scout Section Report

2022/23 was a welcome return to normality, with no significant Covid disruptions. This allowed for some fantastic moments as events which had been set aside during the pandemic returned. Over the winter this meant that we had the entire Troop in the HQ at the same time. It is amazing how the hubbub of conversation had been missed as we operated in smaller Groups.

The Summer season was notable for a return to "proper" Scout camping with the Troop heading to a new location in Suffolk for an incredibly hot week. As well as the frequent ice lollies, a real highlight was our older Scouts being able to undertake a combined canoe and hiking expedition; camping & travelling independently. They had put in significant effort to develop the skills necessary for the expedition, and seeing their pride when they returned was incredible.

Of course, this wasn't the only overnight events. The Scouts had two great joint "Cobnor" sailing weekends alongside our friends from Ajax and a great (if a little muddy) winter camp at the fantastic Boidier Hurst District Scout Campsite.

The Troop had a brilliant National Sea Scout Regatta with fantastic results and, more importantly, brilliant teamwork. We saw the same qualities in evidence in the under 14 team which took on the 21 mile Queen Elizabeth memorial row.

Alongside these events, everyday Scouting continued. We cooked, hike, went night orienteering, visited a local Church, debated, diligently tested local chip shops (anything for community service), transformed a local school's outside areas, paddleboarded, sailed, rowed, motorboat & canoed - to name just some of our activities. The Troops achievements are probably best summed up by no less that 13 Chief Scouts Gold Awards have been made in the year. This badge requires 9 different Challenge

Awards to be completed and needs significant effort from each Scout if they are to achieve this level. Our congratulations go to all of them.

As always, the year has only been possible due to the ingenuity and dedication of both our volunteers and young leaders. We remain massively grateful for their support, inventiveness and great humour.

Richard Hunt;
GSL / Acting Scout Leader





Explorer Scout Section Report

This last year has been busy for the Group and the Explorer Unit, really returning to normal Sea Scouting, post pandemic.

We kicked off the year in April with an activities focused Easter Camp, held at Broadstone Warren, assisted with a boating day for Wallington Network – an absolutely amazing groups of people with additional needs – and joined our sister group, Ajax, for a weekend of sailing at Cobnor.

May and June saw multiple boating sessions for the unit, both evenings and weekends, developing and progress their own skills and also supporting other sections and groups with the same.

July saw the return of the National Sea Scout Regatta with the Unit members winning several individual events with some of the unit had the opportunity to boat out of HMS Excellent.

A very warm August saw the unit return to the Norfolk Broads for their 1st 'proper'

Summer Camp since 2019. We had an amazing week with the unit going on an overnight canoe expedition, dry slope tubing, bowling, fun fairs, disc golf, boating and volleyball competitions.

In September, the unit crewed 3 Home Counties Gig to honour the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2nd in a memorial procession, which replaced the great River Race. All 3 crews rowed over 21 miles within 4 hours on the tidal Thames... an amazing achievement! We also returned to Cobnor for a final sailing weekend.

October saw a return to our HQ for our Youth Led Winter and Spring Season which included a Winter Camp in Southwood Activity Centre in Tolworth, Chip Shop challenges, Halloween Party, Scuba diving, Xmas London landmark orienteering and an Easter Camp at Broadstone Warren. Our regular weekly musters also allowed us to award over 100 badges and awards to the Explorers.

After trying to condense our 22/23 season into the above I reflect in awe of 3 things:

1. Our Explorers, who continue to develop

and challenge themselves week after week but more importantly give back to the unit and the wider Warspite group.

2. The Explorer Leadership team who volunteer their personal time to make all the above possible for the young people.

3. The Warspite Family, from the Exec team through to the occasional helper, everyone makes a massive contribution to the experiences available for both the young people and the volunteers alike.

Chris Bishop, Explorer Scout Leader



Explorer Scout Young Leader Section Report

At the heart of Warspite is our Young Leader Team. These are Explorer Scouts who choose to volunteer in a younger Section, either alongside regular Explorer events or as their main Scouting.

We are privileged to have these brilliant Young People in all of our Sections - from Squirrels to Scouts. As well as making a tremendous difference to the activities of the sections, they also provide brilliant role models for our younger members.

Their practical experience is supported by a training system of modules delivered by Epsom & Ewell Scout District; and by the chance to demonstrate those skills over 4 Missions. This year 3 Young Leaders completed all Modules & Missions.

We are thankful for all the Young Leaders for their enthusiasm, efforts and skills.





Monday Maintenance

The HQ is a fantastic facility, built by volunteers and parents of the group way-back and subsequently improved over the years.

It has served, brilliantly, multiple generations of young people through their scouting journeys and, in recent years, several major projects have significantly improved the building.

The roof was replaced, new windows throughout, new toilets, galley (kitchen) and an extension to the front to provide increased and more accessible storage for our camping equipment.

It's incredibly important though, to keep on top of the minor running repairs that result from literally hundreds of young people actively using the place, week in, week out.

Our Monday night maintenance team are 3 or 4 in number most weeks and carry out these odd jobs, as well as the occasional larger project.

They meet at 7:30 pm and spend a couple of hours on whatever is required.

Recently, the emphasis has been on providing smarter storage for smaller items of equipment and even hats for the leadership team.

The team are always looking for anyone else who might fancy lending a hand.

If you think you might be interested, please contact Richard or Graham.



Partnerships

Having strong partnerships is a key part of Warspite's strategy. Whilst we engage with a range of groups and organisations, there are some key ones we would wish to thank for their support.

Ajax Sea Scouts

As in previous years, our partnership with our sister group - 4th Thames Ditton (Ajax) Sea Scouts leads to great advantages for both groups. There are shared resources, shared events, a shared RYA centre and shared best practice.

The list of those from Ajax who have made a massive contribution to us is too long to name individually, but we thank them all for their support, under the leadership of Chris West, Group Scout Leader and with the support of Andy Davison, Chairman, Peter Wadsworth, Deputy GSL, Diane Davison, Scout Section Leader, Ruth Mortby, Cub Section Leader & Nick Barber, Explorer Scout Section Leader

Karel Doorman Sea Scouts, Bergen - Op - Zoom, Netherlands.

Our Dutch sister group is a great source of inspiration and strength to Warspite and we look forward to their planned visit in April & May 2023

London URNU

London University Royal Navy Unit is our affiliated link to the RN. The pandemic has resulted in challenges for both organisations, but we are looking forward to re-establishing joint events.

RLSS -The Royal Life Saving Society

We have been able to support Surrey RLSS with instructors for water safety sessions; and delivered a joint "Save A Life" workshop in the local community.



Group Treasurer's Report

I In the year ending 31 March 2023 the main points are as follows:

- Total receipts - £106,497 (up 9%)
- Total payments - £113,595 (up 45%)
- Net Payments - £ 7,098
- Cash balances - £158,240 (£165,338)

Receipts and payments include monies relating to Explorers' activities although they are not specifically part of the Group. Explorer's receipts and payments within this year accounts were £5,539 and £5,195 respectively.

The main funding sources and payment outflows are as follows:-

Receipts

- Subscriptions - £23,311 – down £617 from previous year. Explorers totalled £3,600.
- Donations/grants - £7,183 – down 77%: used to support Group
- Camps - £24,032 – Cubs, Scouts & Explorers camps restarted.
- Fund raising - £9,669 – up 106% to previous year.
- Hall hire - £6,940 – up 323 % to previous year as Hall reopened.
- Gift Aid - £6,635 – up 23% to previous year, reflecting higher donations.

Payments

- Capitation - £6,426 -per person payment to District and Scout Association.
- Light & Heat - £4,936 – up 311% to previous year. Higher charges.
- Insurance - £6,743 – down 12% to previous year reflecting change of payment schedule for buildings.
- Capital purchases (Boats & equipment) - £17,922– funded by grants/donations and asset sales.
- Training - £2,288 – up 30% to previous year as opportunity taken to undertake training missed while closed during Covid-19 pandemic.
- Minibus Expenses - £2,473 – repairs & servicing.
- Camps - £21,307 – camps as above.
- Repairs & Maintenance - £12,843 – mainly boats.

Balance Sheet

Essentially our cash holdings and various assets (buildings and boats).

This Group is very unique in that it has two buildings (Hall and Boat house). Whilst this provides all the members with an extensive range of opportunities to learn skills, it does mean that our cost base is significantly higher than many other groups. Our subscription levels were increased in October 2009 to enable us to maintain both the range of activities as well as cover the Group's underlying cost base. Despite the near 400% increase in lighting and heating costs the subscription levels have been maintained although they are being regularly reviewed in view of the impact of the higher overheads.

We continue to be very dependent upon "one off" grants towards the purchase of assets (principally boating equipment) and the modernisation of our buildings, as we have no Fund Raising team. During this year we received grants totalling £6,718 to support training for both this Group and other Scout Groups in boating skills. Reserves currently total £50,000 together with a reserve of £25,000 for the redevelopment of our Water Activities Centre.

Malcolm Hunt
Group Treasurer



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name 1 st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group		
On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2023	Charity no (if any)	305711
Set out on pages	23 to 32 <small>(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)</small>		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2023** YY.

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:  **Date:** 23/7/2023

Name: Derek H Lane

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): FCA

Address: 30 Willowbank Gardens
Tadworth, Surrey
KT20 5DS

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

<p>On accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022</p> <p>Charity no. (if any) 305711</p>		<p>Report to the trustees: members of 1st Cuddington (Warps) Sea Scout Group</p>
<p>Set out on pages</p>		<p>Independent examiner's statement</p>
<p>As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).</p> <p>I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than those disclosed below) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the accounts do not accord with the accounting records accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or <p>I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p> <p>Please delete the words in brackets if they do not apply.</p>		<p>Signed:</p> <p>Name:</p> <p>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):</p> <p>Address:</p>



*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2023*

The Group is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scout Groups.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Receipts and Payments Account Summary
for the year ended 31 March 2023*

	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>	
Total Receipts for the Year	£	106,498	£	97,629
Total Payments for the Year	£	113,595	£	78,347
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year	-£	7,098	£	19,282
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	£	165,338	£	146,055
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds carried forward	£	158,240	£	165,338

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on the 23 July 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman:

Graham Nash

Group Treasurer:

Malcolm Hunt

Group Scout Leader

Richard Hunt



Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2023

	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>	
Subscriptions	£	23,311	£	23,728
Investment Income				
Bank	£	559	£	15
Donations/Grants				
Various	£	7,183	£	30,956
Premises Redevelopment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Activities				
Group	£	15,170	£	5,137
Beaver Scouts	£	126	£	732
Cub Scouts	£	- 0	£	1,125
Scouts	£	123	£	1,285
Explorers	£	459	£	75
Cobnor	£	1,620	£	- 0
Camps	£	24,032	£	13,611
Fund Raising Activities				
Fund Raising - various	£	9,669	£	4,679
Sundry Receipts				
Hall Hire	£	6,940	£	2,148
Minibus Use	£	100	£	- 0
Gift Aid/Covenants	£	6,635	£	5,359
Uniform Sales	£	1,863	£	1,532
Training	£	3,000	£	200
Asset Sales	£	3,600	£	5,500
Sundry Income	£	2,108	£	1,548
Total Receipts	£	106,498	£	97,629



Payments for the year ended 31 March 2023

	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>
Capitation to District	£ 6,426	£	6,237
Premises & Facilities Costs			
Rent and Rates	£ 360	£	289
Light and Heat	£ 4,936	£	1,587
Telephone & Broadband	£ 625	£	366
Insurance-Property (H/Q)	£ 2,415	£	3,735
Insurance-Boats	£ 3,474	£	3,305
Repairs-Premises	£ 441	£	3,427
Boat Maintenance	£ 12,402	£	9,202
Premises Maintenance	£ 297	£	515
Activities			
Group	£ 13,773	£	6,097
Group - Fund Raising	£ 4,417	£	1,086
Beaver Scouts	£ 533	£	251
Cub Scouts	£ 373	£	1,084
Scouts	£ 1,151	£	1,763
Explorers	£ 727	£	236
Cobnor	£ 2,460	£	- 0
Camps	£ 21,307	£	9,012
Administration Expenses			
Admin/General expenses	£ 472	£	299
Bank charges	£ 435	£	113
Bank Interest	£ - 0	£	- 0
Purchase of Capital Equipment			
Equipment	£ 5,199	£	6,457
Boats	£ 12,723	£	5,585
WAC Redevelopment	£ 839	£	6,895
Minibus	£ - 0	£	- 0
Sundry Payments			
Training	£ 2,288	£	1,750
Minibus Insurance	£ 760	£	822
Minibus Expenses	£ 2,473	£	745
Purchase of Uniform	£ 3,707	£	2,255
Pontoons & EA Fees	£ - 0	£	526
Donations	£ 1,122	£	- 0
AGM/RNI Refreshments etc	£ - 0	£	- 0
Insurance-Accident & Medical	£ 94	£	- 0
Camping Gas	£ 543	£	135
Wheely Bin	£ 600	£	600
Asbestos Survery	£ 180	£	- 0
Planning Application	£ - 0	£	131
Sundry Expenses	£ 6,044	£	3,842
Total Payments	£ 113,595	£	78,347



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2023

	<u>Year to 31st March 2023</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>	
<u>Monetary Assets</u>				
Bank	£	157,715	£	165,338
Cash in Hand	£	525	£	- 0
Totals	£	158,240	£	165,338
<u>Debtors</u>				
Capitation overpayment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Totals	£	- 0	£	- 0
<u>Non-monetary Assets</u>				
Headquarters	£	714,311	£	637,778
Water Activities Centre(WAC)	£	300,000	£	429,249
Motor Vehicles	£	- 0	£	- 0
Boats & related equipment	£	97,124	£	90,624
Equipment, Furniture etc.	£	42,216	£	38,378
Totals	£	1,153,651	£	1,196,029
Overall Total	£	1,311,891	£	1,361,367

Notes:

Valuations for "Non-monetary Assets" are based upon insured values except for the minibus.

The Group's Headquarters at Cunliffe Road is freehold. No value is given for the land.

The Water Activities Centre is a ninety-nine year leasehold which commenced in 1979.

Annual ground rent is currently £38, reviewable every seven years in line with the retail price index.

The WAC property insurance was reviewed during the year and an appropriate level of cover applied..

The value of the minibus has been fully written off in our books but it is insured at its current market value.



Sectional Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2023

Beaver Scout Colony
Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Sundry income	£ 72.00	Sundries	
Uniform		Uniform	
Camps	£ 555.00	Camps	£ 100.00
Activities & Equipment	£ 126.00	Activities & Equipment	£ 532.73
Donations		Admin Expenses	£ 5.69
Interest		Transfer to Group	
	<u>£ 753.00</u>		<u>£ 638.42</u>
Balance at 1st April 2022	£ 1,577	Balance at 31st March 2023	£ 1,691

Cub Scout Pack
Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Camps	£ 9,412.00	Camps	£ 8,653.06
Activities		Activities	£ 373.02
Uniform		Uniform	
Training		Equipment	
Donations		Training	
Interest		Donations	
Sundry		Admin Expense	
	<u>£ 9,412.00</u>	Sundry	
		Transfer to Group	
			<u>£ 9,026.08</u>
Balance at 1st April 2022	£ 7,422	Balance at 31st March 2023	£ 7,808



Sectional Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2023

Sea Scout Troop
Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Activities	£ 123.00	Activities	£ 1,151.33
Uniform		Uniform	£ 70.10
Donations		Equipment & Boats	
Interest		Training	
Camps	£ 9,195.00	Camps	£ 8,163.58
Cobnor	£ 1,620.00	Cobnor	£ 2,460.10
Sundries		Expenses	
		Group	
	<u>£ 10,938.00</u>		<u>£ 11,845.11</u>
Balance at 1st April 2022	£ 6,515	Balance at 31st March 2023	£ 5,608

Explorers
Receipts and Payments 2022/2023

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Activities	£ 726.60
Activities	£ 459.01	Uniform	
Camps	£ 4,870.00	Camps	£ 4,390.58
Uniform	£ 5.00	Admin Expenses	
Training	£ 180.00	Training	
Sundries	£ 25.00	Sundry Expenses	£ 78.15
Transfer from Group			
	<u>£ 5,539.01</u>		<u>£ 5,195.33</u>
Balance at 1st April 2022	£ 2,268	Balance at 31st March 2023	£ 2,612



BANK/CASH 31 March 2023

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
BANK	£139,996.16	£1,691.43	£7,808.04	£5,607.69	£ 2,611.53	£ 157,715
	<u>£139,996.16</u>	<u>£1,691.43</u>	<u>£7,808.04</u>	<u>£5,607.69</u>	<u>£ 2,611.53</u>	<u>£ 157,715</u>
CASH IN HAND	£ 525.00	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 525
	<u>£140,521.16</u>	<u>£1,691.43</u>	<u>£7,808.04</u>	<u>£5,607.69</u>	<u>£ 2,611.53</u>	<u>£ 158,240</u>

Group cash balance

Note:

Group cash balances include £75,000.00 of Reserves and £907.82 of Restricted Funds.

In 2008 the Trustees decided to establish certain reserves to ensure that the Group had sufficient monies to cover the replacement or repair of certain assets.

The current reserves are as follows :-	Buildings -	£5,000.00
	Boats -	£5,000.00
	Equipment -	£5,000.00
	Minibus -	£10,000.00
	WAC Redevelopment	£25,000.00
	General Reserves -	£25,000.00
	Total-Reserves	<u>£75,000.00</u>

Restricted Funds	Volunteer Development	£ 907.82
		£ -
		£ -
	Total-Restricted	<u>£ 907.82</u>

The Group's reserves have been reviewed and restructured to reflect the Group's current activities.

No further amounts have been added to reserves this year as the Trustees consider that the Reserves are appropriate based on the condition of the Group's assets.

The trustees returned the previously designated Covid 19 Reserve to general funds during the year.



Receipts analysis 2022/2023

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Subscriptions	23311.00					23311.00
Capitation						0.00
Bank Interest	559.45					559.45
Donations/grants	7182.50					7182.50
Activities:						
Group	15169.72					15169.72
Beavers		126.00				126.00
Cubs						0.00
Scouts				123.00		123.00
Explorers					459.01	459.01
Cobnor				1620.00		1620.00
Camps		555.00	9412.00	9195.00	4870.00	24032.00
Fundraising	9668.70					9668.70
Hall Hire	6940.00					6940.00
Minibus Use	100.00					100.00
Gift Aid	6634.84					6634.84
Uniform Sales	1858.10				5.00	1863.10
Training	2820.43				180.00	3000.43
Premises Redevelopment						0.00
Asset Sales	3600.00					3600.00
Sundry Income	2010.95	72.00			25.00	2107.95
	79855.69	753.00	9412.00	10938.00	5539.01	106497.70

Note:

Subscriptions for all Sections are collected by Group. After the payment of capitation all surplus subscriptions have been taken by Group towards central costs.

The Group funds part of its asset purchases and adult training through grants. The major grant providers this year were:-

Surrey County Scouts	£	1,198.50	Adult Training
Thames Heritage Trust	£	500.00	Paddlesports Training
Ewell Rotary	£	500.00	Energy Bill help
Akzo Nobel	£	1,000.00	Hardship Funding
RN Sea Scout Centre	£	3,020.00	Adult Training
RN Sea Scout Centre	£	2,000.00	Adult Training

Group activities include all activities that are not particularly Section orientated as well as those that include external participants such as training courses. Any surpluses of income over expenditure is taken into Warspite's main accounts to contribute to the fixed assets and equipment required for these events.

During the year the Sections each undertook several camps ranging from a weekend to a full week.

Sundries include the refund of expenses or equipment purchased by the Group and repaid by third parties.

Explorers are part of the District structure but since 2008/09 their figures have been included within the Group's accounts. This followed an agreement with District that the Explorers should be included within this Group's accounts because of their close connection with the Group through their use of Group assets and Partnership Agreement.

The Group has no active Fund Raising Committee. All fund raising undertaken during the year was on an adhoc basis and as such any proceeds have been incorporated within the Group numbers.



Payments analysis 2022/2023

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Capitation	6426.00					6426.00
Subscriptions						0.00
Rent and Rates	359.72					359.72
Light and Heat	4935.56					4935.56
Telephone & Broadband	624.68					624.68
HQ & Boathouse Insurance	2414.94					2414.94
Boats Insurance	3473.94					3473.94
Premises Maintenance - Hall	440.99					440.99
Boat Maintenance	12401.95					12401.95
Premises Maintenance - WAC	297.08					297.08
Activities:						
Group	13772.70					13772.70
Group - Fund Raising	4417.08					4417.08
Beavers		532.73				532.73
Cubs			373.02			373.02
Scouts				1151.33		1151.33
Explorers					726.60	726.60
Cobnor				2460.10		2460.10
Camps		100.00	8653.06	8163.58	4390.58	21307.22
Admin Expenses	466.14	5.69				471.83
Bank Charges	434.97					434.97
Bank Interest						0.00
Capital purchases						
Equipment	5199.29					5199.29
Boats & related equipment	12722.50					12722.50
WAC Redevelopment	839.00					839.00
Minibus & equipment	0.00					0.00
Training	2287.74					2287.74
Minibus Insurance	760.00					760.00
Minibus Expenses	2473.16					2473.16
Uniform	3637.34			70.10		3707.44
Pontoons & EA fees	0.00					0.00
Island Barn Sailing Club	1122.00					1122.00
AGM/RN Expenses	0.00					0.00
Insurance-Accident & Medica	94.00					94.00
Camping gas	543.47					543.47
Wheely Bin	600.00					600.00
Asbestos Survey	180.00					180.00
Sundry Expenses	5966.29				78.15	6044.44
	86890.54	638.42	9026.08	11845.11	5195.33	113595.48



Notes:

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The Group has a policy to seek grants to fully or substantially fund the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. During this financial year grants totalled £6.176 (£3.676-spent) towards the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. Additional boats and equipment was funded by retained monies.

1ST CUDDINGTON SEA SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305711

Accounts

1ST CUDDINGTON (WARSPITE) SEA SCOUT GROUP

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2021-22



2021 was Warspite's 90th birthday; and was marked in a range of ways from daily historical social media posts to a special polo shirt; seen here on our Explorer Unit at Summer Camp.





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We were incredibly proud that our V17 Wheelyboat was chosen by the Wheelyboat Trust to represent them at the Southampton Boat Show.





GROUP DETAILS

1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout

Group Headquarters:

Warspite Sea Scouts HQ
Cunliffe Road
Ewell
Epsom
Surrey. KT19 0RJ

Water Activities Centre:

19B Ditton Reach
Thames Ditton
Surrey.
KT7 0XB

There are no facilities for mail at either of the above addresses.

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87 Castle Avenue, East Ewell, Surrey. KT17 2PJ

Graham Nash	Chairman
Heather Smith	Secretary
Malcolm Hunt	Treasurer
Suzanne Pearson	
Claire Hunt	Cub Scout Leader
Richard Callaghan	
Hazel Draper	
Leonard Brooker	
Thomas Randall	
Alan Mobbs	
Shirley Clifton	
Peter Weekes	
Linda Grant	Beaver Scout Leader
Daniel Webber	
Gareth Weekes	
Richard Hunt	Group Scout Leader
Chris Bishop	Explorer scout Leader
Paul Draper	



Agenda for Annual General Meeting on Monday 12th September 2022 at 20:00

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks
 2. Apologies for Absence
 3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting.
 4. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2022
 5. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2022 delivered by the GSL
 6. Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2022/23:
 - Graham Nash
 7. Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2022/23:
 - Alan Mobbs
 - Len Brooker
 - Peter Weekes
 - Gareth Weekes
 - Paul Draper
 8. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer
 - Group Secretary: Heather Smith
 - Group Treasurer: Malcolm Hunt
 9. Election to the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22:
 - Hazel Draper
 - Shirley Clifton
 - Thomas Randall
 - Richard Callaghan
 - Daniel Webber
 - Suzanne Pearson
- Note: Section Leaders and GSL are ex-officio members of the Executive unless they choose not to serve as trustees. This encompasses: Linda Grant (Beavers), Claire Hunt (Cubs), Chris Bishop (ESL), Richard Hunt (GSL). There is presently no appointed Scout Leader.
10. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2022/23.
 11. Address by a District Representative
 12. Presentations and Awards
 13. Any Other Business.



**Minutes for Annual General Meeting on Monday 6th September 2021 at 20:00
online.**

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks – Graham Nash

Good evening. Thank you to everyone for joining us at our second and last AGM online. It has been a tremendous year. It has been incredible to have a successful camping season.

2. Apologies for Absence

Suzanne Pearson and Nicola and Neal Archer.

3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting – Richard Hunt

Matters arising – None

Acceptance of last year's minutes: Proposed by Shirley Clifton. Seconded by Daniel Webster.

4. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2021 – Malcolm Hunt

Financially the last year (2020/21) was interesting.

On the negative side

- Fund raising was significantly curtailed,
- There were no external users of the hall,
- Overheads relating to the Group's properties and assets continued,
- Costs relating to protection of leaders etc from Covid visiting properties to check them,
- Internet based section meetings and related online presentations

On the positive side

- Membership numbers held up and with it subs income continued,
- Central Government grants covered the lack of fund raising,
- Activity and maintenance costs were lower,

The net impact was that the Group's financial position improved. Going forward last year's surplus will be utilised to improve the Group's facilities and add additional assets for the benefit of current and future members.

This group has a long history providing experiences to children that they might not otherwise have. It has never been cheap but with the help of many hours of time given freely by generations of uniform leaders and others through fund raising and maintenance activities, the Group has endeavoured to keep subscriptions as low as possible. This year's accounts include the subs from the Explorer Scout unit although the unit is part of the District setup.

The subs are used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the Sections. The central costs are maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the District capitation charge. Last year subs contributed 78% (58%) of central costs. The balance was principally funded by Gift Aid claims. Donations and grants finance new equipment and training as well as a contribution towards renovations and repairs. Without the donations and grants purchases of new equipment would be restricted. In 2009 subs were increased to meet raising costs as well as urgent building maintenance. The Trustees continue to actively monitor the level of the subs.

Last year the Group's programme of upgrading and improving our buildings, boat fleet and equipment was significantly curtailed. The cost of this expenditure was still significant (£16.5k) and it was funded principally from grants.



This year's pandemic has significantly impacted the Group's activities and finances. Whilst many of our costs relating to activities have fallen, our ability to raise monies through fund raising events has been curtailed. Our only sources of funding have been the monthly subs, Christmas tree sales and various covid-19 related grants from Central Government. The net impact on the Group's financial resources has been a significantly increase despite higher overheads. The Trustees have decided to use these surplus monies to improve the Group's buildings and equipment over the near future.

Acceptance of accounts: Proposed by Peter Weekes. Seconded by Graham Nash.

5. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2021 delivered by the GSL – Richard Hunt

The beginning of this year, March 2020 was seven days into lockdown. The impact was unthinkable and unimaginable. Young people, and adults were not leaving the house & not meeting up. And yet, despite the adversity, or perhaps because of it, it has been a tremendous year in many ways.

The number of members has remained the same. Some children joined up online, even though their parents had never met us. They all have stayed, which is a testament to all involved and certainly very impressive. As soon as we were able to, Warspite was meeting in person; with young people kayaking the day after restrictions were eased.

Significant building work has been undertaken this year, principally the extension of the Water Activities Centre by 2 metres, including new fencing and new hard standing. This makes a tremendous difference to the site of ourselves and Ajax.

All of this is testament to the enthusiasm, skill and drive of our young people, parents, supporters & volunteers. As we enter our 90th year, the legacy created by those original scouts remains as strong as ever.

6. Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22. I am pleased to announce that Graham Nash has agreed to carry on.

- Proposed by: Suzanne Pearson. Seconded by: Gareth Weekes. Carried

7. Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22.

	<i>Proposed by</i>	<i>Seconded by</i>	
• Alan Mobbs	Malcolm Hunt	Daniel Webster	Carried
• Len Brooker	Graham Nash	Heather Smith	Carried
• Peter Weekes	Richard Callaghan	Claire Hunt	Carried
• Gareth Weekes	Malcolm Hunt	Richard Callaghan	Carried

8. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer

- Group Secretary: Heather Smith. Proposed by Daniel Webster. Seconded by Suzanne Pearson. Carried
- Group Treasurer: Malcolm Hunt. Proposed by Peter Weekes. Seconded by Shirley Hunt. Carried



9. Election to the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22

	<i>Proposed by</i>	<i>Seconded by</i>	
• Hazel Draper	Heather Smith	Graham Nash	Carried
• Shirley Clifton	Gareth Weekes	Richard Hunt	Carried
• Thomas Randall	Malcolm Hunt	Peter Weekes	Carried
• Richard Callaghan	Claire Hunt	Gareth Weekes	Carried
• Suzanne Pearson	Richard Hunt	Heather Smith	Carried
• Daniel Webber	Suzanne Pearson	Shirley Clifton	Carried

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10. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2021/22.

Thank you to Andrew Sim, who has been the Independent Examiner for three years. He is unable to continue, therefore the search has commenced to find another accountant.

11. Address by a District Representative – Karl Nicholas

It has been a bizarre year and have not been able to do presentations. At the county AGM on Thursday, it was announced that Surrey was the highest performing county in the country. The numbers in Epsom are the best within Surrey. Warspite is the best sea scout group in the country. Thank you to everyone involved. Having visited camp, never seen mud like that before at Boidier Hurst. The risk assessments were phenomenal. Thank you for everything done during this crazy year. The Covid status went to green today. Looking forward to seeing everyone in person soon.

12. Presentations and Awards

This will happen in the future when it can be carried out in person.

13. Any Other Business.

None.

14. Chairman's closing comments

This is a great team, who have achieved amazing things.

15. Meeting closed at 8.17pm.

Minutes by Heather Smith

Group Secretary



Top: Chief Scout Gold awardees at County Presentation.



Left: Explorers working on boat maintenance.



Right: Cubs being introduced to boat safety.

Bottom: Beavers learning to row.





Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/04/21 to 31/03/22

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2022

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to keep accounting records and prepare annual statements of account for the Charity, which must be audited or independently examined and provided to the Charity Commission. In preparing the annual statements of accounts the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Comply with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the annual statement of accounts; and
- Prepare the annual statement of accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and are responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activity of the Charity

The Group currently has an active Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Scout Pack, Sea Scout Troop and Explorer Sea Scout Unit. Key details of each Section are as follows:

- The Beaver Scout Colony is for boys and girls aged 5¾ to 8 years. The Colony meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2022 had 24 members (2021: 30 members).
- The Cub Scout Pack is for boys and girls aged 8 to 10½ years. The Pack meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 42 members (2021: 46 members).
- The Sea Scout Troop is for boys and girls aged 10½ to 14½. The Troop meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 44 members (2021: 39 members)
- The Explorer Sea Scout Unit is for boys and girls aged 14½ to 18. The Unit meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 21 members (2021: 27 members)

It is noted that the Group is near capacity meaning that space for future expansion is limited. All Sections have continued to work in accordance with the progressive training scheme as laid down by the Scout Association. The Group has continued to operate a Royal Yachting Association recognised teaching establishment based at the Water Activities Centre and operated jointly with Ajax Sea Scouts. The Group's adult volunteers include a number of RYA, British Rowing and British Canoeing Coaches.

The Group is one of just 103 Sea Scout groups recognised by the Royal Navy. This prestigious and beneficial recognition requires a rigorous regular inspection.

Reserves

The Trustees have adopted a formal policy on reserves, which is reflected in these accounts. The policy provides that reserves be maintained at a level which has regard to:

- The risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure varying from that budgeted
- The planned activity level
- The Group's commitments
- The need for adequate readily realisable resources to meet the Group's commitments for the coming twelve month period.



Readily realisable resources are defined as the balances at the bank less net current liabilities and the balances on restricted funds. The level of reserves available at 31st March 2022 under the policy is £50,000 with £3,349.59 of restricted funds (2021: £50,000 including £2,682.19 of restricted funds). Additionally a temporary reserve of £25,000 has been created for use, in case of need, as a result of the impact that the Covid-19 pandemic might have on the Group.

Investment Policy

In the event that the Group has monies that are in excess of that required to meet day to day expenditure and pending major expenditure the Treasurer has the authorization to place them on a term deposit subject to the following restrictions: The deposit to be held with a UK based bank authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, the maximum term is 12 months & the total amount is not expected to be more than 50% of Reserves. In the event that the Group has additional monies scheduled for a pending future asset purchase a suitable deposit based on anticipated timescale may be made with the prior agreement of the Executive Committee. Non cash deposits or investments are not permitted.

Governance

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, The By-Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association. The Group is a Trust established under rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

The Group is managed by an Executive Committee made up of all the charity's trustees. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making of appropriate returns to the Charity Commission. The Groups Executive Committee consists of independent representatives comprising Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and parent representatives together with the Leaders of each Section and certain specialists. The Committee normally meets every two months.

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

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support

Risk Assessment

The Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate their effects as follows:

- *Damage to buildings and equipment:* The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to militate against permanent loss.
- *Injury to leaders, members and helpers:* The leaders and members, through the capitation fees, contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Helpers are covered under a separate accident insurance policy, which the Group purchases annually. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- *Reduced income from fund raising:* The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could increase the level of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group either temporarily or permanently.
- *Reduction or loss of members:* The Group provides activities for young people aged 5¾ to 18. If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or of the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.



The Group requires two signatories for all cheque payments to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of money and holds comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. An exception is where the Executive Committee has authorised the Group Treasurer to make payments up to a pre-agreed limit via the Group's Bank internet system.

Group Objectives

The aim of the Group is 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 community. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by trained adult leadership.

Public Benefit

The Group actively delivers 'Every Child Matters' outcomes:

Be Healthy – We provide access to exercise. This is particularly important for those young people who do not enjoy conventional sport.

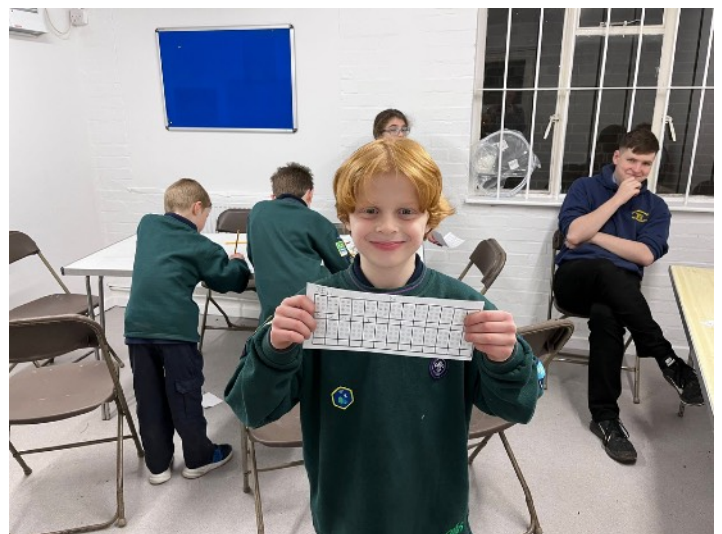
Stay Safe – We offer the chance to undertake adventurous activities within a risk assessed framework

Enjoy and Achieve – We provide an enjoyable learning experience for young people.

Make a Positive Contribution – We offer the opportunity for young people to support and lead others. We also offer the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised qualification in personal skills such as sailing and canoeing and we can help them gain coaching qualifications. Most young people who belong to the Group also undertake some form of community service during the course of their membership.

Although a small subscription is charged for membership, this covers no more than the immediate running costs of the Group and at about £3.50 per session does not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the practice that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions or fees charged for camps or outings. The Group endeavours to obtain bursaries and/or grants for those who could not otherwise afford to take part.

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



Disability awareness has been a key focus for our younger sections this year. Here, Cubs learn about Brail in our newly extended & refurbished Patrol Den 2



Group Chairman's Report

In last year's annual report, I wrote about how fantastically well the group had faced the challenges thrown up by coronavirus and the associated restrictions.

It's been a great 12 months since then, with relative normality eventually resuming, following a somewhat restricted camping season in the summer.

It has been wonderful seeing the sections returning to full activities and preparations beginning for a full camping programme once again.

Other global events, however, have raised a new set of challenges.

At the time of writing, it looks distinctly likely that the rapidly rising energy prices are going to impact the group's finances.

We, as a group, have not had a fund raising team for many years and, whilst we have been successful in various grant applications, the major events that generate funds are the Christmas Extravaganza and sponsorship for The Great River Race.

Over recent years, these major events have been hit by Covid, though we did manage a successful Christmas event last year.

It is going to be increasingly important that we increase our fund raising activity and, to this end, I wonder if anybody might like to take on the role of Fund Raiser, perhaps to work with a small committee of like-minded folk?

If anyone would like to help out in this important and, no doubt, rewarding role, please contact Richard (richard@Warspite.org) or myself (gmjnash@hotmail.com)

Thank you.

Graham

Graham Nash
Group Chairman





Group Scout Leader's Report

2021 to 2022 followed one of the most tumultuous year's in the group's history; and arguably the most disruption to "normal" Scouting since the Second World War. That meant that 21-22 was always going to be a memorable year; both for hopefully a return to some degree of normality; and also as it represented the Group's 90th anniversary.

From mid 2022 it is at times difficult to remember just how much uncertainty and change there was in the year. It is a massive tribute to our Section leaders, adult volunteers and young people that rules and circumstances which were changing almost weekly were managed with such calmness and poise. During the year we had periods of re-introduced restrictions; and whilst these imposed limitations, they didn't stop Scouting. We continued to use the skills developed last year to move online when needed; but we were also able to make use of newly refurbished grounds at HQ to do more outside; as well as becoming frequent visitors to Horton Country Park. In the words of a Warspite legend, we "adapted & overcame."

With rules still in flux up to 10 days before the camping season started, you would be forgiven for expecting that we would have passed on the opportunity; but with now typical resilience, the Group delivered 4 Summer Camps over the course of the 2021 school holidays. The Cubs were the reason for the increase in the number of camps; with the rules initially limiting camp sizes to 30, they had to divide in two to fit everyone in! After a year of not camping, it was glorious to be together.

Management of risk has been absolutely vital, and that meant that our Cub & Scout summer camps were both based far more locally than normal, at Boidier Hurst Scout Campsite, Box Hill. A massive thank you goes out to the dedicated volunteers who prepared a beautiful site for us to camp on. Unfortunately the weather was not quite as kind, and we became very used to the Box Hill mud - which has a very special kind of gloopyiness! The Scouts followed up the camping with 3 days afloat, with every Scout having the chance to sail, row, canoe and kayak. Our Explorers were able to venture further away and were based on the Hamble River at Cricket camp site. Highlights included chilled evenings and a powerboat expedition to the Isle of Wight.

Whilst Christmas saw some degree of restrictions, we were able to return to Christmas Tree Sales and our Craft Fair. As well as being vital fundraising, these offer a great chance to catch up with supporters of the group and our local community.

Over the year there was a tremendous amount of work done on our premises and boats. Len, as always, has been busy maintaining rowing boats and Peter has worked tremendously hard on our powerboat fleet. 2 parents, Tim & Colin, have massively improved the Water Activity Centre toilets; whilst the incredible work of our Monday maintenance team; Graham, Ian & Paul cannot go unmentioned. The Monday team has delivered amazing projects from ongoing maintenance to rebuilding 2 Patrol Dens into one substantial room. Finally we must thank Ian & Dave who led the mammoth effort to re-concrete and pave the HQ. It was amazingly transformational and supported by a huge range of parents and volunteers in order to make it happen.

Whilst on thanks, I would like to recognise the efforts of Christine who stood down as Explorer Leader this year, following an incredibly successful period in role. Chris and Paul have taken on the mantle and are working to build on these foundations.

So 9 decades after Warspite was founded, and our first year after the pandemic started, the volunteers and young people of the Group have much to be proud of. That pioneering spirit of those first Scouts has grown into an established and robust group. As our lives hopefully return to normality, it has never been more important has the chance to learn skills, build teams and communities. I have no doubt that 90 years on Francis Lamb would be incredibly proud of what he started. And rightly so.

Richard Hunt. Group Scout Leader (GSL)



Refurbishing the HQ

2021-22 saw the chance to refurbish the open space at HQ, a long needed project. Our massive thanks to Ian Smalley and David White for leading on this massive project; as well as all the volunteers who made it happen over 3 weekends.





Beaver Scout Section Report

Not wanting to sound too cliché, but the past year has been another of adapting and overcoming, in true Scouting style ! We've had to learn to accommodate different ways of working whilst still doing our very best to deliver an exciting and challenging programme for our Beaver members.

So with lockdowns and online meetings largely behind us, April 2021 saw us only too excited to get back to meeting face-to-face, albeit in reduced sized groups, for shorter duration, and outdoors for safety.

We met in our two local parks, using whichever best suited our purpose at any given time....and battled against the elements on many an occasion whether that be rain showers, winds or heatwaves... but we managed nevertheless. We still advanced our badgework, played games, recruited new members, and enjoyed being together, once again, in person.

We covered elements of Gardener, Navigator, Air Activities badges, with Beavers also working at home, and embraced the outdoors with nature scavenger hunts, photo orienteering and a fantastic activity day at Boidier Hurst including activities like campfires, marshmallows and singsongs.

Come September we celebrated 35 years of Beaver Scouting at a District party event at Little Acres, and eased ourselves back to meeting indoors at our HQ ; the first time many of our Beavers had seen our usual meeting venue or traditional meeting !

By November we were back to "full speed", meeting as an entire Colony again ; we joined in the Group Remembrance Parade, conducted a Spy Mission by Torchlight in the park, made bird feeders, enjoyed Xmas crafts and thought about those less fortunate with a collection for Epsom & Ewell Foodbank, and making Christmas cards for residents at Priory Court Care Home, which we know were much appreciated.

The new year has seen us make calendars and resolutions, celebrate Saint's Days, make Mother's Day cards and edible Easter nests, focus on our Money Skills and Disability Awareness badges and joining with fellow local Beaver Scouts in the District Lizard Trail Hike at Headley Heath.

Whilst we sadly didn't manage a Sleepover this year, Beavers did have two opportunities to take part in the activity-packed County "Reach for the Stars Virtual Camps during May 21 and February 22.

So many achievements, in challenging circumstances, and yet we've still had great fun along the way, and owe a huge "THANK YOU" to the adult volunteers, helpers and Young Leaders who have made it all possible.

We're already planning for hopefully a more "normal" year ahead !

Linda Grant (Rabbit)
Beaver Scout Leader

Cub Scout Section Report

Cub annual report 21/22

Well what a difference a year makes!

A month after my last annual report we were able to start getting together again in person and gradually as restrictions changed and eased we were able to get back to H.Q. Thank you to you all for your support with all the rules we put into place whilst we started to ease back to make it all safe for everyone.

Spring 21

We spent a lot of time at Horton Country Park fire lighting, den building, following trails, playing games and we even had a visit (planned) from the local police who talked to us about keeping safe and let us look at and in their car. It was so good to be able to see each other again.

Camp

We were so excited when restrictions eased enough that we could do a summer camp. A little different to our usual Cub camp but we got to camp nonetheless.

The weather could have been kinder to us but that did not stop us. Every Cub that signed up got to come to camp, even if it was for just 3 days, and many badges were achieved, friendships made and muddy puddles splashed in!

Autumn & Winter 21

The 23rd September saw us all back at H.Q. Half the pack taking part in activities outside and the other half inside. Over the following weeks and months we worked to get us all back together. Skills such as navigation, team work, pioneering and communication were worked on.

Winter weekend, for the older Cubs, took place at Boidier Hurst in late November and was a great success. With the Cubs cooking for themselves, taking part in wide games, camp fires and much more.

The rest of the year has seen us work towards safety badges, get better at our home help skills, be more aware of the environment and learn more about disabilities.

None of this would be possible without an amazing, dedicated team of younger leaders, adult leaders and supporters without whom all of this would not have been possible.

Claire Hunt (Akela)
Cub Scout Leader





Scout Section Report

2021/22 represented a chance for a start of a return to normality for the Scout Section. There were still disruptions - periods of required mask wearing and other challenges; but the year saw significant steps back to pre pandemic Scouting.

For much of it, the Troop continued to meet in small groups across the borough and beyond, doing different activities. A massive thank you to our leaders and young leaders who adapted to ever changing locations and activities with their normal calmness and competence.

Four highlights stand out for me this year:

The return of Scout Camp. It may have been much more local than planned originally, but the sound of Patrol Leaders and Assistant Patrol Leaders cooking dinner with their Scouts was a great sign of the resilience of our young people. The sound of them singing and joking around the fire will be an abiding memory, as will watching the Scouts eat locusts. (Thanks Rob!)

The chance to be afloat is incredibly important to how we operate, and it was brilliant to see every member who was on Scout Camp get the chance to sail, row and undertake a 1 day canoe journey. The sight of them returning around the bend each day was brilliant.

Equally great was seeing our oldest Scouts complete their Expedition Challenge

- 2 days of looking after themselves; this time by kayak on the Thames.

Finally, the session which will stick in my memory was the time when the Troop all returned to the Water Activity Centre - meeting in the same place at the same time for the first time in over a year.

Over the course of this year we have been privileged to work with an incredible Troop of young people. They have not only adapted but they have shown real determination and fortitude. We are very proud of them all.

As always, the year has only been possible due to the ingenuity and dedication of both our volunteers and young leaders. We remain massively grateful for their support, inventiveness and great humour.

Richard Hunt;
GSL / Acting Scout Leader



Explorer Scout Section Report

2021 saw a slow but definite return back to a form of normal. These changes lifted some of the restrictions, enabling the Unit to get back outdoors and on the water.

In April our boating season restarted, where the Explorers were able to enjoy and develop their skills in most of their crafts, including kayaking, open canoeing and paddleboarding, however some main staples, including gig rowing and powerboating, could not return until the latter part of the season.

In August the Unit was able to get back under canvas, again with some restrictions, and headed off for a weeks Summer Camp in Southampton, at Cricket Scout Camp Site on the River Hamble, which included a range of land and water activities including a fleet of powerboats helmed by the Explorers over to the Isle of White for a fish and chip dinner.

In September Paul Draper and I took over initial leadership of the Unit, with our formal appointments being made in January 2022

(Paul as Explorer Section Assistant and myself as Explorer Section Leader)

September also saw our Explorers attend a sailing residential weekend at Cobnor allowing us to unfurl our mainsails and hit Chichester harbour with the wind in our hair and behind our sails.

With the nights drawing in, hampering our ability to remain on the water, our return to land, and the HQ, saw a focus on Youth Led Scouting from our Explorers including knife and axe skills, map and navigation work, cooking, hiking and games.

November saw the Unit back under canvas for a Winter Survival camp, with open fire cooking, a night hike, tomahawk throwing, knife and axe skills and bivouac building.

The latter part of 2021 and the start of 2022 saw Lockdown restriction impact our ability to meet in person for a short period of time, however by February we were back with a focus on progressing Nautical Skills levels, Duke Of Edinburgh and Chief Scouts Awards. This saw our Explorers maintaining one of our powerboats, completing first

aid sessions, SMART planning, car MOT skills, cooking evenings, rigging a sailboat and we had a visit from a Naval Captain.

March saw the unit back under tentage once again as we headed off to Broadstone Warren Scout Camp for a Easter Weekend camp including crate stacking, climbing, tomahawk throwing, archery and abseiling; they even spent a night under the stars sleeping in the new group hammocks.

As I unpack from Easter Camp and reflect on my short time leading the unit, I am truly in awe and thankful for the amazing leadership team of Paul, Gareth, Pete, Ian, Cat and Tom that continue to make all this possible for the young people. Additionally I am amazed by the resilience and commitment of our Explorers who, off the back of a very difficult few years, continue to develop and challenge themselves week after week, which was demonstrated in my ability to present not one but two Platinum Chief Scouts Awards this year.

Chris Bishop
Explorer Scout Leader



Monday Maintenance

Our Monday maintenance team have made a massive impact on the HQ this year. Projects have included installing an outside kitchen unit, with plumbed in hot and cold; building multiple storage units and the conversion of the new Patrol Den 2.

The Patrol Den was a major project; with 2 old and small rooms being stripped out and converted into a single new room; complete with electrics, display screen and whiteboards. This has created a more useful break out space and teaching room for use by our sections.

Work has also started to prepare for a replacement of the internal ceiling and rebuild of the rear HQ cupboards. These changes, over the next few years, will deliver more useable space and an updated appearance to the Main Deck of the HQ.

The jobs we cover range massively in size from big projects to regular testing of small tasks; some require skills and others require enthusiasm rather than any particular talents. We are always interested in the offer of another pair of hands or so, whether regularly or for specific projects. If you might be interested please contact Richard or Graham.



Partnerships

Having strong partnerships is a key part of Warspite's strategy. Whilst we engage with a range of groups and organisations, there are some key ones we would wish to thank for their support.

Ajax Sea Scouts

As in previous years, our partnership with our sister group - 4th Thames Ditton (Ajax) Sea Scouts leads to great advantages for both groups. There are shared resources, shared events, a shared RYA centre and shared best practice.

The list of those from Ajax who have made a massive contribution to us is too long to name individually, but we thank them all for their support, under the leadership of Chris West, Group Scout Leader and with the support of Peter Wadsworth, who as well as being Deputy GSL is Principal of the combined RYA centre.

Karel Doorman Sea Scouts, Bergen - Op - Zoom, Netherlands.

Our Dutch sister group is a great source of inspiration and strength to Warspite and we look forward to returning to face to face meetings.

London URNU

London University Royal Navy Unit is our affiliated link to the RN. The pandemic has resulted in challenges for both organisations, but we are looking forward to re-establishing joint events.

RLSS -The Royal Life Saving Society

We have been able to support Surrey RLSS with instructors for water safety sessions; and delivered a joint "Save A Life" workshop in the local community.



Group Treasurer's Report

In the year ending 31 March 2022 the main points are as follows:

- Total receipts - £ 97,630 (up 14%)
- Total payments - £ 78,347 (up 48%)
- Net receipts - £ 19,283
- Cash balances - £165,338 (£146,055)

Receipts and payments include monies relating to Explorers' activities although they are not specifically part of the Group. Explorer's receipts and payments within this year accounts were £3,385 and £2,265 respectively.

The main funding sources and payment outflows are as follows:-

Receipts

- Subscriptions - £23,728 – up £1,938 from previous year. Explorers totalled £4,027.
- Donations/grants - £30,956 – down 35%: used to support Group
- Camp - £13,611 – Cubs, Scouts & Explorers camps restarted.
- Fund raising - £4,679 – up 38% to previous year; activities continued to be restricted because of Covid-19.
- Hall hire - £2,148 – up 4,700 % to previous year as Hall reopened. Hall closed during 2020 because of Covid-19.
- Gift Aid - £5,359 – down 10% to previous year, reflecting lower donations.

Payments

- Capitation - £6,237 -per person payment to District and Scout Association.
- Light & Heat - £1,587 – down 13% to previous year. Buildings closed.
- Insurance - £7,862 – up 20% to previous year reflecting change of payment schedule for buildings and returning the minibus to the road.
- Capital purchases (Boats & equipment) - £12,042– funded by grants/donations.
- Premises Redevelopment - £6,895. Opportunity taken to improve buildings while they were closed during Covid-19 pandemic.
- Minibus Expenses - £746 – repairs & servicing.
- Camp - £9,012 – camps as above.
- Repairs & Maintenance - £13,144 – mainly boats.

Balance Sheet

Essentially our cash holdings and various assets (buildings and boats).

This Group is very unique in that it has two buildings (Hall and Boat house). Whilst this provides all the members with an extensive range of opportunities to learn skills, it does mean that our cost base is significantly higher than many other groups. Our subscription levels were increased in October 2009 to enable us to maintain both the range of activities as well as cover the Group's underlying cost base. In view of the recent 400% increase in lighting and heating costs the subscription levels are being seriously reviewed.

We continue to be very dependent upon "one off" grants towards the purchase of assets (principally boating equipment) and the modernisation of our buildings, as we have no Fund Raising team. During this year we received grants totalling £18,667 from Central Government, via the Local Authorities, reflecting the impact the Covid-19 pandemic had had on the Group, necessitating the closure of our buildings. Reserves currently total £50,000 together with a temporary reserve of £25,000 against Covid-19 impact.

Malcolm Hunt
Group Treasurer



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

305711

Set out on pages

21 to 30

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2022**

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

D. H. LAWE

Date:

11/3/2022

Name:

D. H. LAWE

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

FCA

Address:

30 WILLOWBANK GARDENS

TADWORTH

KT20 5DS

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Charity no (if any)		305711
On accounts for the year ended		31 March 2022
Set out on pages		
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended		
As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").		
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than those disclosed below) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:		
* the accounts do not accord with the accounting records		
* accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or		
I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.		
Signed:		
Name:		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):		
Address:		



*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022*

The Group is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scout Groups.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Receipts and Payments Account Summary
for the year ended 31 March 2022*

	<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>	
Total Receipts for the Year	£	97,630	£	85,034
Total Payments for the Year	£	78,347	£	52,747
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year	£	19,283	£	32,287
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	£	146,055	£	113,768
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds carried forward	£	165,338	£	146,055

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on the 11 August 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman:

Graham Nash

Group Treasurer:

Malcolm Hunt

Group Scout Leader

Richard Hunt



Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2022

	<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>	
Subscriptions	£	23,728	£	21,790
Investment Income				
Bank	£	15	£	56
Donations/Grants				
Various	£	30,956	£	47,184
Premises Redevelopment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Activities				
Group	£	5,137	£	3,760
Beaver Scouts	£	732	£	68
Cub Scouts	£	1,125	£	- 0
Scouts	£	1,285	£	- 0
Explorers	£	75	£	- 0
RYA	£	- 0	£	- 0
Camp	£	13,611	£	1,230
Fund Raising Activities				
Fund Raising - various	£	4,679	£	3,383
Sundry Receipts				
Hall Hire	£	2,148	£	45
Minibus Use	£	- 0	£	- 0
Gift Aid/Covenants	£	5,359	£	6,002
Uniform Sales	£	1,532	£	395
Training	£	200	£	515
Asset Sales	£	5,500	£	- 0
Sundry Income	£	1,548	£	607
Total Receipts	£	97,630	£	85,034



Payments for the year ended 31 March 2022

	<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>	
Capitation to District	£	6,237	£	6,237
Premises & Facilities Costs				
Rent and Rates	£	289	£	249
Light and Heat	£	1,587	£	1,820
Telephone & Broadband	£	366	£	529
Insurance-Property (H/Q)	£	3,735	£	2,062
Insurance-Boats	£	3,305	£	3,789
Repairs-Premises	£	3,427	£	1,164
Boat Maintenance	£	9,202	£	3,699
Premises Maintenance	£	515	£	569
Activities				
Group	£	6,097	£	3,450
Group - Fund Raising	£	1,086	£	661
Beaver Scouts	£	251	£	139
Cub Scouts	£	1,084	£	400
Scouts	£	1,763	£	606
Explorers	£	236	£	- 0
RYA	£	- 0	£	- 0
Camp	£	9,012	£	3,210
Administration Expenses				
Admin/General expenses	£	299	£	274
Bank charges	£	113	£	- 0
Bank Interest	£	- 0	£	- 0
Purchase of Capital Equipment				
Equipment	£	6,457	£	4,009
Boats	£	5,585	£	8,456
Premises Redevelopment	£	6,895	£	4,023
Minibus	£	- 0	£	- 0
Sundry Payments				
Training	£	1,750	£	405
Minibus Insurance	£	822	£	663
Minibus Expenses	£	745	£	666
Purchase of Uniform	£	2,255	£	2,319
Pontoons & EA Fees	£	526	£	526
Donations	£	- 0	£	145
AGM/RNI Refreshments etc	£	- 0	£	- 0
Insurance-Accident & Medical	£	- 0	£	84
Camping Gas	£	135	£	- 0
Wheely Bin	£	600	£	366
Planning Application	£	131	£	- 0
Sundry Expenses	£	3,842	£	2,227
Total Payments	£	78,347	£	52,747



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2022

	<u>Year to 31st March 2022</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>	
<u>Monetary Assets</u>				
Bank	£	165,338	£	146,055
Cash in Hand	£	- 0	£	- 0
Totals	£	165,338	£	146,055
<u>Debtors</u>				
Capitation overpayment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Totals	£	- 0	£	- 0
<u>Non-monetary Assets</u>				
Headquarters	£	637,778	£	616,210
Water Activities Centre	£	429,249	£	414,733
Motor Vehicles	£	- 0	£	1,000
Boats & related equipment	£	90,624	£	97,224
Equipment, Furniture etc.	£	38,378	£	37,079
Totals	£	1,196,029	£	1,166,246
Overall Total	£	1,361,367	£	1,312,301

Notes:

Valuations for "Non-monetary Assets" are based upon insured values except for the minibus.

The group's headquarters in Cunliffe Road is freehold.

The Water Activities Centre is a ninety-nine year leasehold which commenced in 1979.
Annual ground rent is currently £38, reviewable every seven years in line with the retail price index.

The value of the minibus is being reduced by £1,000 per year to reflect its depreciation.



Sectional Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2022

Beaver Scout Colony

Receipts and Payments 2021/2022

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Sundry income		Sundries	
Uniform		Uniform	
Camp		Camp	
Activities & Equipment	£ 732.00	Activities & Equipment	£ 251.05
Donations		Admin Expenses	
Interest		Transfer to Group	
	<u>£ 732.00</u>		<u>£ 251.05</u>
Balance at 1st April 2021	£ 1,096	Balance at 31st March 2022	£ 1,577

Cub Scout Pack

Receipts and Payments 2021/2022

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Summer Camp	£ 4,931.01	Summer Camp	£ 3,255.27
Activities	£ 1,125.00	Activities	£ 1,083.72
Uniform	£ 8.00	Uniform	£ 133.25
Training		Equipment	
Donations		Training	
Interest		Donations	
Sundry		Admin Expense	
		Sundry	
		Transfer to Group	
	<u>£ 6,064.01</u>		<u>£ 4,472.24</u>
Balance at 1st April 2021	£ 5,830	Balance at 31st March 2022	£ 7,422



Sectional Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2022

Sea Scout Troop

Receipts and Payments 2021/2022

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Activities	£ 1,285.00	Activities	£ 1,762.66
Uniform	£ 254.00	Uniform	£ 118.25
Donations		Equipment & Boats	£ 510.00
Interest		Training	
Camp	£ 5,470.00	Camp	£ 3,646.89
Sundries		Expenses	£ 120.00
		Group	
	<u>£ 7,009.00</u>		<u>£ 6,157.80</u>
Balance at 1st April 2021	£ 5,664	Balance at 31st March 2022	£ 6,515

Explorers

Receipts and Payments 2021/2022

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Activities	£ 235.52
Activities	£ 75.00	Uniform	
Camp	£ 3,210.00	Camp	£ 1,959.81
Uniform		Admin Expenses	
Sundries	£ 100.80	Sundry Expenses	£ 70.00
Transfer from Group			
	<u>£ 3,385.80</u>		<u>£ 2,265.33</u>
Balance at 1st April 2021	£ 1,147	Balance at 31st March 2022	£ 2,268



BANK/CASH 31 March 2022

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
BANK	£ 147,556.01	£ 1,576.85	£ 7,422.12	£ 6,514.80	£ 2,267.85	£ 165,338
	£ 147,556.01	£ 1,576.85	£ 7,422.12	£ 6,514.80	£ 2,267.85	£ 165,338
CASH IN HAND	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ - 0
	£ 147,556.01	£ 1,576.85	£ 7,422.12	£ 6,514.80	£ 2,267.85	£ 165,338

Group cash balances

Note:

Group cash balances include £75,000.00 of Reserves and £3,349.59 of Restricted Funds.

In 2008 the Trustees decided to establish certain reserves to ensure that the Group had sufficient monies to cover the replacement or repair of certain assets.

The current reserves are as follows :-	Buildings -	£ 7,000.00	(Previously Hall Redevelopment)
	Boats -	£ 7,000.00	
	Equipment -	£ 7,000.00	
	Minibus -	£ 7,000.00	
	Covid -19*	£ 25,000.00	
	General Reserves -	£ 22,000.00	
	Total-Reserves	<u>£ 75,000.00</u>	

Restricted Funds	Wheelyboat	£ 849.59
	Volunteer Development	£ 2,500.00
		£ -
	Total-Restricted	<u>£ 3,349.59</u>

No further amounts have been added to reserves this year as the Trustees consider that the Reserves are appropriate based on the condition of the Group's assets.

* Covid - 19 Reserve has been established, as a temporary measure, to be used initially if there is a negative impact from the pandemic on the Group's financial position. Once the current situation is clarified any remaining monies will be released for use to support the Group's ongoing activities and assets.



Receipts analysis 2021/2022

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Subscriptions	23727.50					23727.50
Capitation						0.00
Bank Interest	15.13					15.13
Donations/grants	30955.69					30955.69
Activities:						
Group	5137.21					5137.21
Beavers		732.00				732.00
Cubs			1125.00			1125.00
Scouts				1285.00		1285.00
Explorers					75.00	75.00
RYA						0.00
Camp			4931.01	5470.00	3210.00	13611.01
Fundraising	4678.66					4678.66
Hall Hire	2147.50					2147.50
Minibus Use						0.00
Gift Aid	5359.04					5359.04
Uniform Sales	1270.25		8.00	254.00		1532.25
Training	200.04					200.04
Premises Redevelopment						0.00
Asset Sales	5500.00					5500.00
Sundry Income	1447.09				100.80	1547.89
	80438.11	732.00	6064.01	7009.00	3385.80	97628.92

Group

Note:

Subscriptions for all Sections are collected by Group. After the payment of capitation all surplus subscriptions have been taken by Group towards central costs.

The Group funds the majority of its asset purchases through grants. The major grant providers this year were:-

An Anonymous Donor	£	2,500	
Scout Association-Royal Navy	£	1,226	
Scout Association-Royal Navy	£	2,450	
Elmbridge BC	£	8,000) HM Government initiated grants received as a result of the
Epsom & Ewell BC	£	10,667) Group not being able to use its buildings or other facilities.

Group activities include all activities that are not particularly Section orientated as well as those that include external participants such as training courses. Any surpluses of income over expenditure is taken into Warspite's main accounts to contribute to the fixed assets and equipment required for these events.

The Summer camps by the various Sections operated under certain Covid-19 pandemic restrictions. Some monies prepaid in 2020 were utilised were utilised by the member in 2021.

Sundries include the refund of expenses or equipment purchased by the Group and repaid by third parties.

Explorers are part of the District structure but since 2008/09 their figures have been included within the Group's accounts. This followed an agreement with District that the Explorers should be included within this Group's accounts because of their close connection with the Group through their use of Group assets and Partnership Agreement.

The Group has no active Fund Raising Committee. All fund raising undertaken during the year was on an adhoc basis and as such any proceeds have been incorporated within the Group numbers.



Payments analysis 2021/2022	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Capitation	6237.00					6237.00
Subscriptions						0.00
Rent and Rates	288.75					288.75
Light and Heat	1587.31					1587.31
Telephone & Broadband	366.05					366.05
HQ & Boathouse Insurance	3734.88					3734.88
Boats Insurance	3305.27					3305.27
Premises Maintenance - Hall	3426.53					3426.53
Boat Maintenance	9202.14					9202.14
Premises Maintenance - BH	514.75					514.75
Activities:						
Group	6097.21					6097.21
Group - Fund Raising	1086.25					1086.25
Beavers		251.05				251.05
Cubs			1083.72			1083.72
Scouts				1762.66		1762.66
Explorers					235.52	235.52
RYA						0.00
Camp	150.00		3255.27	3646.89	1959.81	9011.97
Admin Expenses	298.76					298.76
Bank Charges	113.04					113.04
Bank Interest						0.00
Capital purchases						
Equipment	5946.73			510.00		6456.73
Boats & related equipment	5585.12					5585.12
Premises Redevelopment	6895.21					6895.21
Minibus & equipment	0.00					0.00
Training	1750.09					1750.09
Minibus Insurance	822.44					822.44
Minibus Expenses	745.07					745.07
Uniform	2003.34		133.25	118.25		2254.84
Pontoons & EA fees	526.20					526.20
Donations	0.00					0.00
AGM/RN Expenses	0.00					0.00
Insurance-Accident & Medical	0.00					0.00
Camping gas	135.00					135.00
Wheely Bin	600.00					600.00
Planning Application	131.00					131.00
Sundry Expenses	3651.98			120.00	70.00	3841.98
	65200.12	251.05	4472.24	6157.80	2265.33	78346.54



Notes:

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The Group has a policy to seek grants to fully or substantially fund the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. During this financial year grants totalled £6.176 (£3.676-spent) towards the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. Additional boats and equipment was funded by retained monies.

1ST CUDDINGTON SEA SCOUT GROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 305711

Accounts

1ST CUDDINGTON (WARSPITE) SEA SCOUT GROUP

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21



2020-21's unparalleled circumstances meant a change to online Scouting for much of the year, taking #skillsforlife in a different direction!





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2020 saw Stand Up Paddleboards, also known as SUPs, added to the Warspite fleet, quickly becoming a firm favourite with Scouts, Explorers & Leaders.





GROUP DETAILS

1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout

Group Headquarters:

Warspite Sea Scouts HQ
Cunliffe Road
Ewell
Epsom
Surrey. KT19 0RJ

Water Activities Centre:

19B Ditton Reach
Thames Ditton
Surrey.
KT7 0XB

There are no facilities for mail at either of the above addresses.

All Correspondence to:

Graham Nash, Chairman of Trustees
87 Castle Avenue, East Ewell, Surrey. KT17 2PJ

Graham Nash	Chairman
Heather Smith	Secretary
Malcolm Hunt	Treasurer
Suzanne Pearson	
Claire Hunt	Cub Scout Leader
Richard Callaghan	
Hazel Draper	
Leonard Brooker	
Thomas Randall	
Alan Mobbs	
Shirley Clifton	
Peter Weekes	
Linda Grant	Beaver Scout Leader
Daniel Webber	
Gareth Weekes	
Richard Hunt	Group Scout Leader



Agenda for Annual General Meeting on Monday 6th September 2021 at 20:00

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks
 2. Apologies for Absence
 3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting.
 4. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2021
 5. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2021 delivered by the GSL
 6. Group Scout Leader's nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22:
 - Graham Nash
 7. Group Scout Leader's nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22:
 - Alan Mobbs
 - Len Brooker
 - Peter Weekes
 - Gareth Weekes
 8. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer
 - Group Secretary: Heather Smith
 - Group Treasurer: Malcolm Hunt
 9. Election to the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2021/22:
 - Hazel Draper
 - Shirley Clifton
 - Thomas Randall
 - Richard Callaghan
 - Daniel Webber
 - Suzanne Pearson
- Note: Section Leaders and GSL are ex-officio members of the Executive unless they choose not to serve as trustees. This encompasses: Linda Grant (Beavers), Claire Hunt (Cubs), Richard Hunt (GSL). There is presently no appointed Scout Leader. An Explorer Scout Leader, when appointed, will be invited to take up a position on the Executive.
10. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2021/22.
 11. Address by a District Representative
 12. Presentations and Awards
 13. Any Other Business.



**Minutes for Annual General Meeting on Monday 14th September 2020 at 20:00
online.**

1. Chairman's Welcoming and Opening Remarks – Graham Nash

Good evening. Thank you to everyone for attending this online AGM.

2. Apologies for Absence

Hazel Draper

3. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting – Richard Hunt

Matters arising – None

Acceptance of last year's minutes: Proposed by Linda Grant. Seconded by Claire Hunt.

4. Group Treasurer's Report and adoption of the Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2020 – Malcolm Hunt

This group has a long history providing experiences to children that they might not otherwise have. It has never been cheap, but with the help of many hours of time given freely by generations of uniform leaders and others through fund raising and maintenance activities, the group has endeavoured to keep subscriptions as low as possible. This year's accounts include the subs from the Explorer Scout unit although the unit is part of the District setup.

The subs are used to fund central (Group) costs as well as provide monies for the Sections. The central costs are maintenance, insurance, day to day running costs as well as the District capitation charge. Last year subs contributed 58% (59%) of central costs. The balance was principally funded by Gift Aid claims, donations, grants and asset sales to finance new equipment and training as well as a contribution towards renovations and repairs. Without the donations and grants purchases of new equipment would be restricted. Over the last 13 years there has been no Fund Raising Team but during that period certain individuals have undertaken "one off" events that have helped to bridge a funding gap. In 2009 subs were increased to meet raising costs as well as urgent building maintenance. The Trustees continue to actively monitor the level of the subs.

Last year the Group's programme of upgrading and improving our boat fleet and equipment was continued. The cost of these capital purchases was significant (£20k) and it was funded principally from grants and fund raising. Maintenance and improvements to our buildings are undertaken on a rolling programme. It is however stressed that the activities of the Group's Sections continue to be paramount. Stable numbers of members reflects that our leadership team is achieving this aim.

This year's pandemic has significantly impacted the Group's activities and finances. Whilst many of our costs relating to activities have fallen, our ability to raise monies through fund raising events has been curtailed. Currently our only source of funding is that raised from monthly subs whilst our overhead costs relating to our buildings and boat fleet have continued to increase. Additionally, the Scout Association has increased its capitation charge by 25%, which will add about £1k to our outgoings. The Group's finances are adequate for the time being but the Trustees are reviewing both our outgoings and income to ensure that we will have a vibrant Group going forward.

Can I ask you all to actively think how you can help? Time and input is as important as cash donations.

Acceptance of accounts: Proposed by Peter Weekes. Seconded by Tom Randall.



5. Trustees Report for the year ending 31st March 2020 delivered by the GSL – Richard Hunt

Most years I sit here and say that I am not going to recap the year as you, the audience, lived it and remember it.

But this year I am going to make an exception. The last 6 months have been “different” and they have overridden many of the memories of 2019 and early 2020.

We had a tremendous Summer with successful camps to Holland and Elstead. We had a brilliant Beaver sleepover and fantastic activity days. We had a brilliant swimming gala, a fantastic great river and won our third National Regatta in a row. Members developed, had fun and built friendships.

We had more activities over the winter than I can remember, and even just before the lockdown we were still afloat.

And then it happened.

And we then saw just why the Group is called a group. They demonstrated resilience, resolve and adaptability.

Thank you to the parents for their flexibility and support enabling activities to carry on now.

6. Group Scout Leader’s nominations as Chairman of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2020/21. I am pleased to announce that Graham Nash has agreed to carry on.

- Proposed by: Suzanne Pearson. Seconded by: Richard Callaghan. Carried

7. Group Scout Leader’s nominations as members of the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2020/21.

	Proposed by	Seconded by	
Alan Mobbs	Richard Hunt	Heather Smith	Carried
Len Brooker	Graham Nash	Gareth Weekes	Carried
Peter Weekes	Shirley Clifton	Dan Webber	Carried
Gareth Weekes	Len Brooker	Suzanne Pearson	Carried

8. Election of Group Secretary & Treasurer

- Group Secretary: Heather Smith. Proposed by Shirley Clifton. Seconded by Tom Randall. Carried
- Group Treasurer: Malcolm Hunt. Proposed by Richard Callaghan. Seconded by Linda Grant. Carried



9. Election to the Group Executive Committee and Trustees for 2020/21

	Proposed by	Seconded by	
Hazel Draper	Peter Weekes	Heather Smith	Carried
Shirley Clifton	Claire Hunt	Len Brooker	Carried
Thomas Randall	Gareth Weekes	Graham Nash	Carried
Richard Callaghan	Daniel Webber	Linda Grant	Carried
Suzanne Pearson	Tom Randall	Richard Hunt	Carried
Daniel Webber	Richard Callaghan	Shirley Clifton	Carried

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10. Appointment of Group Independent Examiner for 2020/21

Andrew Sim has been the Independent Examiner. He has agreed to continue, subject to his acceptance.

11. Address by a District Representative – Karl Nicholas

It has been strange for months. However, forget this. Let us think back to the first six months, which were fantastic. This is an excellent group. The National Regatta results were great. Thank you to everyone involved. Thank you to the leaders. They have been great hosting online meetings, adopting online scouting. This was the first group to complete and present a risk assessment to me. They were also the first back on the water when they were permitted to do so. The group embraced the risk assessment paperwork.

12. Presentations and Awards – Karl Nicholas (Actual Presentations will be made when meetings return.)

The following adults were awarded the Chief Scout Commendation Award: Gareth Weekes, Peter Weekes & Linda Grant

The following adults were awarded Award for Merit: Graham Nash & Shirley Clifton

Thank you to all the leaders of this exceptional group. Thank you to everyone. This group is the jewel in the crown of Epsom and Ewell.

13. Any Other Business. None.

14. Chairman’s closing comments

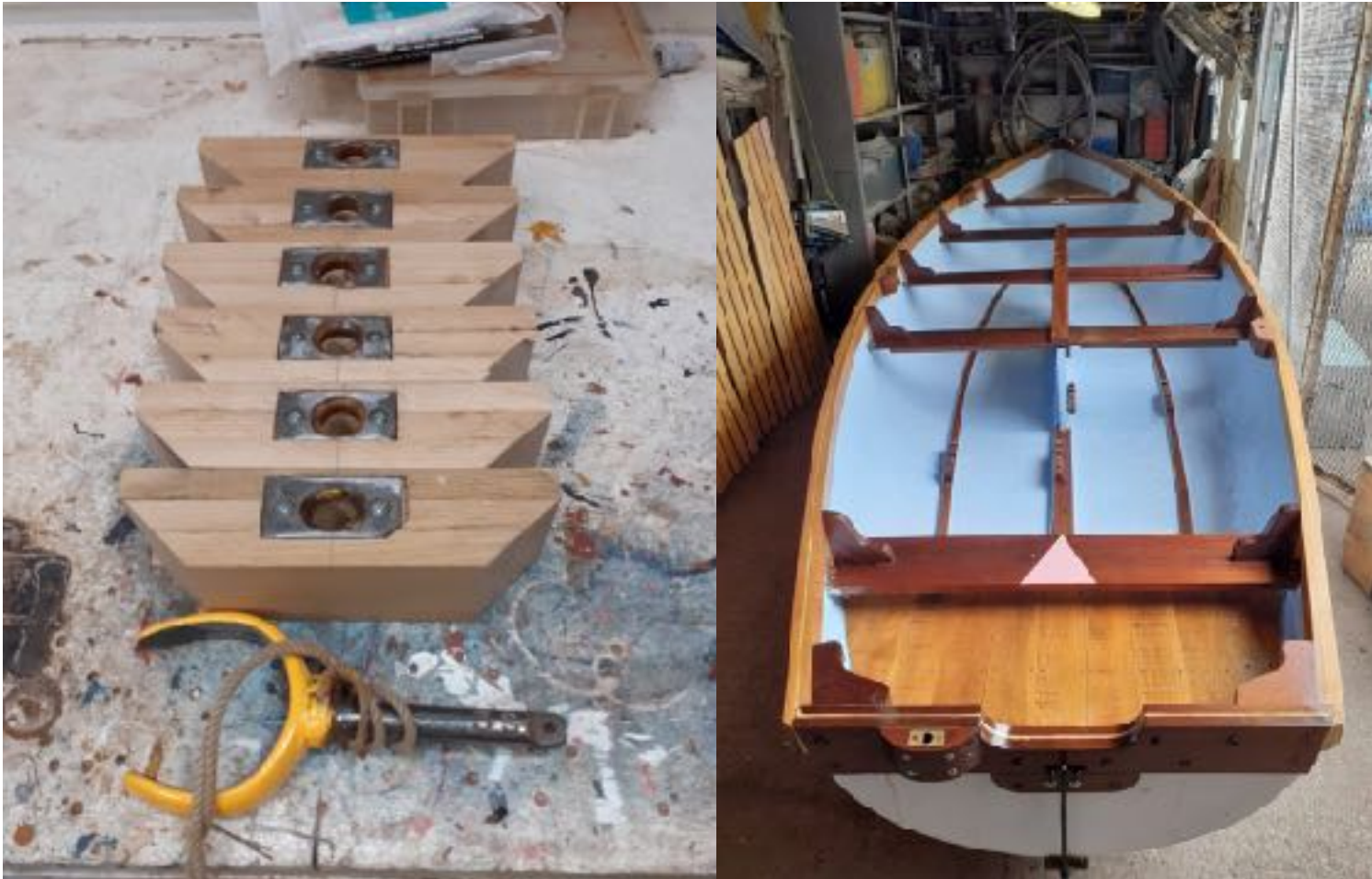
Well done for how fantastic everyone has been online. Thank you for attending.

15. Meeting closed at 8.28pm.

Minutes by Heather Smith, Group Secretary



Lockdown DIY projects were the norm for many people this year, including our lead Boat maintainer, Len Brooker, who rebuilt a rowing Gig donated by 1st Molesey to the Group. Originally laid up and with multiple holes, Len has completely refurbished her ready for use.





Trustees' Annual Report for the period 01/04/20 to 31/03/21

The Trustees present their report and the financial statements for 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group for the year ended 31st March 2021

Responsibilities of the Trustees

Charity law requires the Trustees to keep accounting records and prepare annual statements of account for the Charity, which must be audited or independently examined and provided to the Charity Commission. In preparing the annual statements of accounts the Trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- Comply with applicable accounting standards subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the annual statement of accounts; and
- Prepare the annual statement of accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume the charity will continue its operations.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and are responsible for safeguarding its assets and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Review of Activity of the Charity

The Group currently has an active Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Scout Pack, Sea Scout Troop and Explorer Sea Scout Unit. Key details of each Section are as follows:

- The Beaver Scout Colony is for boys and girls aged 5¾ to 8 years. The Colony meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 30 members (2020: 26 members).
- The Cub Scout Pack is for boys and girls aged 8 to 10½ years. The Pack meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 46 members (2020: 46 members).
- The Sea Scout Troop is for boys and girls aged 10½ to 14½. The Troop meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 39 members (2020: 41 members)
- The Explorer Sea Scout Unit is for boys and girls aged 14½ to 18. The Unit meets once a week and as at 31st of March 2021 had 27 members (2020: 27 members)

It is noted that the Group is near capacity meaning that space for future expansion is limited. All Sections have continued to work in accordance with the progressive training scheme as laid down by the Scout Association. The Group has continued to operate a Royal Yachting Association recognised teaching establishment based at the Water Activities Centre and operated jointly with Ajax Sea Scouts. The Group's adult volunteers include a number of RYA, British Rowing and British Canoeing Coaches.

The Group is one of just 103 Sea Scout groups recognised by the Royal Navy. This prestigious and beneficial recognition requires a rigorous regular inspection.

Reserves

The Trustees have adopted a formal policy on reserves, which is reflected in these accounts. The policy provides that reserves be maintained at a level which has regard to:

- The risks associated with each stream of income and expenditure varying from that budgeted
- The planned activity level
- The Group's commitments
- The need for adequate readily realisable resources to meet the Group's commitments for the coming twelve month period.



Readily realisable resources are defined as the balances at the bank less net current liabilities and the balances on restricted funds. The level of reserves available at 31st March 2021 under the policy is £50,000 with £2,682.19 of restricted funds (2020: £50,000 including £5,064.94 of restricted funds). Additionally a temporary reserve of £25,000 has been created for use, in case of need, as a result of the impact that the Covid-19 pandemic might have on the Group.

Investment Policy

In the event that the Group has monies that are in excess of that required to meet day to day expenditure and pending major expenditure the Treasurer has the authorization to place them on a term deposit subject to the following restrictions: The deposit to be held with a UK based bank authorized by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority, the maximum term is 12 months & the total amount is not expected to be more than 50% of Reserves. In the event that the Group has additional monies scheduled for a pending future asset purchase a suitable deposit based on anticipated timescale may be made with the prior agreement of the Executive Committee. Non cash deposits or investments are not permitted.

Governance

The Group's governing documents are those of the Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, The By-Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of The Scout Association. The Group is a Trust established under rules, which are common to all Scout Groups. The Trustees are appointed in accordance with POR.

The Group is managed by an Executive Committee made up of all the charity's trustees. As charity trustees, they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping of proper accounts and making of appropriate returns to the Charity Commission. The Groups Executive Committee consists of independent representatives comprising Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and parent representatives together with the Leaders of each Section and certain specialists. The Committee normally meets every two months.

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

- The maintenance of Group property
- The raising of funds and the administration of the Group finance
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment
- Group public occasions
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support

Risk Assessment

The Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed. These have been reviewed and systems established to mitigate their effects as follows:

- *Damage to buildings and equipment:* The Group would request the use of buildings and equipment from neighbouring organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to militate against permanent loss.
- *Injury to leaders, members and helpers:* The leaders and members, through the capitation fees, contribute to the Scout Association's national accident insurance policy. Helpers are covered under a separate accident insurance policy, which the Group purchases annually. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.
- *Reduced income from fund raising:* The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fund raising. The Group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could increase the level of subscriptions to increase the income to the Group either temporarily or permanently.
- *Reduction or loss of members:* The Group provides activities for young people aged 5¾ to 18. If there were a reduction in membership of a particular section or of the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section, or in the worst case scenario, the complete closure of the Group.



The Group requires two signatories for all cheque payments to provide reasonable assurance against material mismanagement or loss of money and holds comprehensive insurance policies to ensure that insurable risks are covered. An exception is where the Executive Committee has authorised the Group Treasurer to make payments up to a pre-agreed limit via the Group's Bank internet system.

Group Objectives

The aim of the Group is 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 community. The method of achieving this aim is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by trained adult leadership.

Public Benefit

The Group actively delivers 'Every Child Matters' outcomes:

Be Healthy – We provide access to exercise. This is particularly important for those young people who do not enjoy conventional sport.

Stay Safe – We offer the chance to undertake adventurous activities within a risk assessed framework

Enjoy and Achieve – We provide an enjoyable learning experience for young people.

Make a Positive Contribution – We offer the opportunity for young people to support and lead others. We also offer the opportunity to obtain nationally recognised qualification in personal skills such as sailing and canoeing and we can help them gain coaching qualifications. Most young people who belong to the Group also undertake some form of community service during the course of their membership.

Although a small subscription is charged for membership, this covers no more than the immediate running costs of the Group and at about £3.50 per session does not unduly restrict membership. The Group follows the practice that no one should be excluded because of their inability to pay membership subscriptions or fees charged for camps or outings. The Group endeavours to obtain bursaries and/or grants for those who could not otherwise afford to take part.

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





Group Chairman's Report

This time last year I penned a few words for the annual report against the backdrop of uncertain and worrying developments (and we all know how that panned out!)

I wrote at that time that **“No matter what the challenges lie ahead, I’m sure Warspite are ready to step up!”**

Well I have to say that I was 100% correct.

It has been amazing to see how the group has risen to the unprecedented challenges of the pandemic in continuing to provide scouting within the varying constraints of the lockdowns, and partial relaxations, which have been in place over the last 12 months.

That membership numbers have remained so healthy throughout this most trying of times is a tribute to the imagination and planning of our volunteer leaders and helpers, to the support of our parents and to the enthusiasm of our young people.

Be they Zoom-style musters or socially distanced activities both on and off the water, when conditions allowed, the programme has been incredibly varied and brilliantly supported.

As light appears to be glinting at the end of the tunnel, let’s hope for better times ahead but, whatever happens, we can all be comforted that Warspite will continue to rise to the challenges.

Stay safe everyone.

Graham Nash
Group Chairman





Group Scout Leader's Report

2020 to 2021 will be a year that is always remembered. No summer camps, no sleepovers, no Cobnors, no activity weekends, no full section meetings, no indoor activities, no regattas, no expeditions, no Great River Race.

Did we miss all those things - absolutely.

But did they stop Scouting at Warspite? Absolutely Not.

Just before the start of the year under review we moved into lockdown, and by the time we get to the 1st April 2020, all of our sections are meeting again in different ways. Over the course of the year we used Google Meets and Zoom to host weekly musters for all sections. As well as the activities run by our fantastic team, they also brought other opportunities. We have had cooking lessons online with a professional London Chef on 3 occasions, have had Birds of Prey visit us, have had an American Sea Scout drop in on our Explorers and have interacted with other Sea Scout groups in New Zealand, as well as our friends from Karel Doorman Groep in the Netherlands. We have cracked codes, tackled escape rooms and learnt knots, and lots of other things.

Despite the absence of our normal events, we have had several "at home" challenges. There was the original "Night. Not Away" in April, and this has been followed up with various sectional Camp at Homes. We have also had the Warspite Athlete 10km at home challenge inspired by Kevin Webber.

And we have been face to face. Just 24 hours after permission was granted, on the 7th July 2020 a Group of 6 Scouts launched onto the Thames for a short kayak. My abiding memory of that evening was the simpleness of the enjoyment. Of a Scout running her hands back and forward through the water. From that point on, we had all sections face to face, working in small groups. Behind this was the herculean work of the volunteer team - not only did sections go from meeting in one place at one time to up to 5 different locations and activities; but every activity had to be considered, risk assessed for Covid transmission, reviewed in the Group and then approved at District level. My. Massive thanks on behalf of all the young people to those volunteers both front line and behind the scenes who made this happen.

Our face to face activities have included a brilliant Beaver day at Boidier Hurst camp site with fire lighting and games, more fire lighting and catapult building for older sections, kayaking, paddle boarding, canoeing & rowing. Water safety, Socially distanced games in the park and nature hikes. Den building & Scavenger Hunts. The constraints have challenged us, but they have also brought creativity and a chance to get young people outside.

Behind the scenes, the engines which continue to power Warspite have not been idle. Boats have been refurbished. Funds have been raised, Christmas trees sold and work on the buildings undertaken.

And at the end of the year, after another period of lockdown, we have come full circle. With restrictions slightly lifted, it was the turn of the Explorers to lead us off this time, starting kayaking on the 30th March, just 24 hours after the ending of the present lockdown.

2021 marks out 90th birthday, and some celebrations may be a little delayed but we go into 2021-22 with great young people, excellent volunteers and a supportive community. Perhaps that is the way to celebrate 90 years of Sea Scouting - by starting the next 90 years.

And so, a final reflection. I would not have planned for or wanted the last year. It tested all of us in so many ways; but I am enormously proud of the way that all at Warspite, from the newest Beaver to most mature volunteer have coped. They really are incredible. They really are Scouts.

Richard Hunt. Group Scout Leader (GSL)



90 years of Challenge & Adventure.

Warspite's 90th Birthday can be dated to our first meeting in January 1931, the application to register the Group in February of that year or the authorisation on 26/3/1931. Either way, can honestly say both that this report celebrates our 90th birthday.

Whilst we have been unable to celebrate in the way we would normally, we have been sharing a Group Historical moment each day on Facebook (www.facebook.com/warspitescouts) alongside making new memories. It has been fascinating to glimpse the same fun and excitement we see today in the Scouts of the last 90 years. There are pictures of fun and of challenge, of adventure and of food; and there are memories and friendships which have lasted lifetimes.

As trustees, we are grateful to all those who came before us, providing excellent facilities that we will continue to maintain and improve; as well as supporting brilliant leaders and fantastic young people. We believe that this group of 12 young people from 90 years ago would have been proud to see what they started and that their legacy is a thriving Sea Scout Group supporting it's community and young people.

THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.
SCOUT GROUP REGISTRATION FORM B.

County Surrey. Commissioners' District Eraser.

Local Association Epson.

Introduction: This form of the form shall be completed and sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Local Association who will forward it to the District Commissioners and the Group. The Group will have to appear at District Headquarters and the following details, and the details will be sent to the Office concerned through the Secretary of the Local Association. (See Page 2 of the form.)

Name of Group to be (Warspite Junior Sea Scouts, Cammerley, Worcester Park

Address of Group Headquarters: Cuddington Vicarage, Worcester Park.

(1) Is the Group "Open" or "Controlled" by some Church, School, or Organisation (see Rule 27)? CONTROLLED.

(2) If "Controlled", by whom? REV. CAPT. F. E. LAMB, R.N., Vicar of Cuddington.

(3) Signature of Controller/authorities (see 2) above: F. E. Lamb
Proposed Officers:

Rank	Name	Address
Group S.M. / Scoutmaster	<u>Francois Henry Lamb</u>	<u>Cuddington Vicarage, Worcester Park</u>
Submaster		
Power Leader		
A. S. P.		
C. C. N.		
A. R. F.		


Enter in the space which three of the following applies to the Group: (Works, Church, Club, Hall, or otherwise suitable School, Social, or other School, Home, Club, etc.)

Number of Officers in Cadre	<u>1</u>
Number of Wolf Cubs	
Scouts	<u>12</u>
Sea Scouts	
Power Sea Scouts	
Power Sea Scouts	
Total of Cadre	<u>13</u>

Recommended by: F. E. Lamb Group S.M. / Scoutmaster

Approved by: [Signature] District Commissioner

Date: 26.3.1931


 Date of Registration by A. S. P.
 Registration No. of Group: 1000
 (This number is not to be changed)



Expanding the Water Activity Centre.

2020-21 saw the chance to expand the WAC 's area by 2m towards the river, generating much needed space. This project, and funding towards the new fence for it, were led by Ajax's Chair - Andrew Roberts. A team from the two groups then concreted the new space and moved the main flag mast; making a huge difference to the ability to use the site. Our massive thanks to Ian Smalley and David White for leading on this massive project; as well as all the volunteers who made it happen.





Beaver Scout Section Report

What a strange year this has been for us all, but it has not dampened our Beavers' enthusiasm one bit !

Our first challenge of the year was getting to grips with the technology enabling us to continue our Colony meetings online, whilst grappling with lockdown, home schooling and new ways of working for many...but we threw ourselves into it and have absolutely 'done our best'.

Over the various lockdowns we have undertaken online campfire singing, dancing, origami, kite-making, scavenger hunts, microwave mug cakes, quizzes and learning about our Scouting roots....to name but a few. We have participated in Sleepovers and an Athlete Challenge at Home, and even staged our own online Christmas panto since we couldn't attend one in person. We were very proud too to join in the Group online Remembrance service to pay our respects.

Towards the end of the summer and into the Autumn term we relished the opportunity to get together face-to-face with small group, Nature I Spy walks in Horton Country Park, a hike along the Hogsmill Open Space and enjoyed games sessions , Nature Bingo and torchlight team challenges split between Auriol and Shadbolt Parks - wherever suited our purpose best. And we even managed a day at Boidier Hurst campsite to remind/show Beavers what Scouting is really all about !

We have continued to support badgework too either during our online meets where we have collectively worked for Communicator, Space and Global Issues activity badges and kept up momentum towards Challenge badges, as well as promoting use of the Badges at Home facility where many more badges have been earned as a



result of Beavers' individual dedicated efforts . We are proud to have also presented 6 Chief Scout Bronze awards, completed despite the difficulties of the past year, and continued to welcome many new members to our Colony to share in our fun, and making friends.

All this had been achieved as a result of the commitment of adult helpers, leaders and Young Leaders without whom it would not be possible, and for whom we are truly thankful.

And so we look forward to whatever challenges next year brings.....

Linda Grant (Rabbit)
Beaver Scout Leader

Cub Scout Section Report

Cub annual report 20/21

Well what can I say? When I wrote last year's report we had just started zoom meetings in Lockdown 1.0 but never thought for 1 second that we would be doing them for so long.

BUT it has not stopped our Cubs! Their enthusiasm, desire for challenge and sense of fun has shown through it all.

Zoom

This deserves a section of its own. We have done 8 months of zoom in total. 3 months in the summer and then 5 months late autumn and winter. During this time we have played games online such as bingo, scavenger hunt, blockbusters and hide and seek. We have had 2 online campfires and a winter camp at home. Badge wise the cub have worked towards and completed their air activities stages 1 or 2, communicators, animal carer (which included a bring your pet to Cub zoom meeting) and navigators and individually at home Cubs have worked towards Book Readers, Home Help and Astronomer to name a few.

We have had some specialist evenings including a drumming session led by Rhythmicity, 2 birds of prey session run by Horus birds of Prey and a cooking session, where we made rock cakes, run by Shiny Kitchen.

Also at home Cubs have taken part in the Covid 19 Athlete challenge and a night not away at home.

Face to Face

The summer did allow us some face to face scouting which included den building, scavenger hunts in the woods, trails at Horton Country Park and a Treasure Trail around Stoneleigh. Not the usual activities we would expect to do over the summer months but great fun all the same.

I must say how very proud we all are of our cubs and how well they have handled this year.

I also need to say a massive Thank You to all the leaders who have stuck with us throughout, preparing online sessions, running games and being prepared to use

the mute button! We have all learned new '#skillsforlife' this year.

Claire Hunt (Akela)
Cub Scout Leader





Scout Section Report

This has been a year like no other (and that is one of the most overused phrases of 2020 & 2021!)

As the year started, we were on zoom for online Scouting. To say it was a voyage of discovery would be underplaying just how new this was to all of us - but in the words of one of our most experienced volunteers, Frank, "we have been doing face to face for decades, and zoom for weeks."

Online Scouting took us through to July, reoccurring later in 2020 and then for the first 3 months of 2021. Online we had

escape rooms, quizzes (I don't think any of us can hear the Kahoot theme tune now...), competition's, skills, cooking evenings, very out of tune renditions of Happy Birthday and much more.

During all of the sessions our oldest Scouts stepped up as Patrol Leaders. Not only did they help shape the programme and run evenings, they also provided honest and constructive feedback - something that is quite challenging.

The cooking evenings involved Shiny Kitchen - a pandemic response from a Cub leader and London Chef.

Under Zoe's direction, Scouts cooked jerk chicken with mango salsa & Caribbean rice. Families sat down to eat together and there were many reports of the meal being repeated! March saw us repeat the experiment with Carbonara, Dough balls

and Vanilla cheese cake; and we are fairly sure that these will be kept on going forward!

Of course, despite the lack of camps and regattas, we were still afloat. Kayaking, Canoeing and Paddleboarding formed the core of our programme with loads of skills being developed, but we have also been able to use the single seater rowing boats belonging to Ajax to develop these skills.

We have also had a focus on water safety, with all our Scouts being issued with a throwline, practical sessions and the opportunity for our Scouts to do an online Royal Life Saving Society course.

The year has only been possible due to the ingenuity and dedication of both our volunteers and young leaders. We remain massively grateful for their support, inventiveness and great humour.

Richard Hunt;
GSL / Acting Scout Leader



Geocaching

Explorer Scout Section Report

2020 to 2021 was a very different year for the Explorer unit. After the excitement of Holland, Scarefest and multiple trips away last year, the change to lockdown was both sudden and very different.

The unit adapted really well to going online. Meetings ranged between online theory, quizzes, jack box and of course, Among Us (worryingly good silent killers amongst the Unit....). We also had a number of Explorer's complete their RYA Essential Navigation & Safety Qualification.

The Summer saw some return to normality with Explorers back on the water kayaking and paddleboarding. Whilst the restrictions meant there was no 2020 Summer Camp, a source of great sadness for the Leaders & Explorers, the summer included great time on the water and real fun.

As we headed into the autumn, whilst we couldn't have our normal trip to Scarefest, we could have a Halloween night, smashing pumpkins and grabbing a sweets off

the line with no hands. All while social distancing!

The Autumn & Spring saw us in and out of lockdowns. Out if them we built fires, worked on boats and kept Exploring. During them, we moved back online and added cooking sessions with a professional chef to the mix, with members of the Unit making fantastic jerk chicken and carbonara (on different nights!!).

Every year I thank the team which makes this all happen. This year is especially so, both as the last year has been so different and as I step down as Explorer Section Leader following a job change. Whilst I will remain part of the team, I look forward to passing on the mantle, So, to Tom, Elise, Gareth, Ian, Cat, Pete, Paul; along with Steve & Chris who have come along to help; and to all our brilliant Explorers. Thank you.

Christine Stevenson
Explorer Scout Leader





Monday Maintenance

Our Monday Maintenance Team have had most of the year off because of the restrictions that have been in place but, of late, they have started up again.

Over a few Monday evenings all the light fittings in the main hall and the galley were replaced with LED lamps and multiple small tasks have been ticked off.

At the moment the meetings are on the ad-hoc side, rather than a weekly event, but works have included knocking down the separating wall between two of the patrol dens to create a larger, more useful space.

At the time of writing, this is a project still in progress but it won't be long before we envisage the regular Mondays will restart.

When they do, we will be meeting at 19:30 and doing a couple of hours

The jobs we cover require enthusiasm rather than any particular skills and we are always interested in the offer of another pair of hands or so, if you might be interested please contact Richard or Graham.



Partnerships

Having strong partnerships is a key part of Warspite's strategy. Whilst we engage with a range of groups and organisations, there are some key ones we would wish to thank for their support.

Ajax Sea Scouts

As in previous years, our partnership with our sister group - 4th Thames Ditton (Ajax) Sea Scouts leads to great advantages for both groups. There are shared resources, shared events, a shared RYA centre and shared best practice.

The list of those from Ajax who have made a massive contribution to us is too long to name individually, but we thank them all for their support, under the leadership of Chris West, Group Scout Leader and with the support of Peter Wadsworth, who as well as being Deputy GSL is Principal of the combined RYA centre.

Karel Doorman Sea Scouts, Bergen - Op - Zoom, Netherlands.

Our Dutch sister group is a great source of inspiration and strength to Warspite. Whilst the pandemic prevented any joint activities, we have been able to catch up online with leaders and have had a KD Leader "pop in" to a boating session - as he was passing!

London URNU

London University Royal Navy Unit is our affiliated link to the RN. The pandemic has resulted in challenges for both organisations, but we are actively planning for the resumption of more normal life!

RLSS -The Royal Life Saving Society

Being safe on the water is a key aim for both Warspite and the RLSS, and this year we have formalised that relationship with Warspite becoming an RLSS club. We are able to offer "Save A Life" & "Water Smart" courses through our trained instructors.



Group Treasurer's Report

In the year ending 31 March 2021 the main points are as follows:

- Total receipts - £ 85,034 (down 20%)
- Total payments - £ 52,747 (down 43%)
- Net receipts - £ 32,287
- Cash balances - £146,055 (£113,768)

Receipts and payments include monies relating to Explorers' activities although they are not specifically part of the Group. Explorer's receipts and payments within this year accounts were £240 and £1,180 respectively.

The main funding sources and payment outflows are as follows:-

Receipts

- Subscriptions - £21,790 – down £1,818 from previous year. Explorers totalled £4,290.
- Donations/grants - £47,184 – up 270%: used to support Group
- Camp - £1,230 – No Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers camps. Deposits used towards 2021 camps.
- Fund raising - £3,383 – down 75% to previous year; activities restricted because of Covid-19.
- Hall hire - £45 – down 98% to previous year. Hall closed because of Covid-19.
- Gift Aid - £6,002 – up 5% to previous year, reflecting additional donations.

Payments

- Capitation - £6,237 -up 5% -per person payment to District and Scout Association.
- Light & Heat - £1,820 – down 16% to previous year. Buildings closed.
- Insurance - £6,598 – down 17% to previous year partly reflecting review of buildings cover and partly the taking the minibus off road during Covid-19.
- Capital purchases (Boats & equipment) - £12,465– partly funded by grants/donations.
- Premises Redevelopment - £4,023. Opportunity taken to improve buildings while they were closed during Covid-19 pandemic.
- Minibus Expenses - £666 – repairs & servicing.
- Camp - £3,210 – camps as above.
- Repairs & Maintenance - £5,432 – mainly boats.

Balance Sheet

Essentially our cash holdings and various assets (buildings and boats).

This Group is very unique in that it has two buildings (Hall and Boat house). Whilst this provides all the members with an extensive range of opportunities to learn skills, it does mean that our cost base is significantly higher than many other groups. Our subscription levels were increased in October 2009 to enable us to maintain both the range of activities as well as cover the Group's underlying cost base. The subscription levels are under constant review.

We continue to be very dependent upon "one off" grants towards the purchase of assets (principally boating equipment) and the modernisation of our buildings, as we have no Fund Raising team. During this year we received grants totalling £41,048 from Central Government, via the Local Authorities, reflecting the impact the Covid-19 pandemic had had on the Group, necessitating the closure of our buildings. Reserves currently total £50,000 together with a temporary reserve of £25,000 against Covid-19 impact.

Malcolm Hunt
Group Treasurer



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of 1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group

On accounts for the year ended	31 March 2021	Charity no (if any)	305711
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Set out on pages 22 to 31

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2021

Responsibilities and basis of report As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:  Date: 23/8/2021

Name: Robert Andrew Sim

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): Chartered Accountant - The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland

Address: 6 Hazelbury Close
London
SW19 3JL

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.





*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021*

The Group is a trust established under rules which are common to all Scout Groups.

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

*1st Cuddington (Warspite) Sea Scout Group
Receipts and Payments Account Summary
for the year ended 31 March 2021*

	<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2020</u>	
Total Receipts for the Year	£	85,034	£	106,141
Total Payments for the Year	£	52,747	£	92,592
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year	£	32,287	£	13,549
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds brought forward	£	113,768	£	100,219
Cash, Bank and Similar Funds carried forward	£	146,055	£	113,768

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on the 23 August 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman:

Graham Nash

Group Treasurer:

Malcolm Hunt

Group Scout Leader

Richard Hunt



Receipts for the year ended 31 March 2021

	<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2020</u>	
Subscriptions	£	21,790	£	23,608
Investment Income				
Bank	£	56	£	178
Donations/Grants				
Various	£	47,184	£	12,728
Premises Redevelopment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Activities				
Group	£	3,760	£	6,126
Beaver Scouts	£	68	£	1,095
Cub Scouts	£	- 0	£	1,131
Scouts	£	- 0	£	2,867
Explorers	£	- 0	£	855
RYA	£	- 0	£	- 0
Camp	£	1,230	£	24,294
Fund Raising Activities				
Fund Raising - various	£	3,383	£	13,343
Sundry Receipts				
Hall Hire	£	45	£	2,480
Minibus Use	£	- 0	£	225
Gift Aid/Covenants	£	6,002	£	5,724
Uniform Sales	£	395	£	2,146
Training	£	515	£	2,987
Asset Sales	£	- 0	£	4,045
Sundry Income	£	607	£	2,310
Total Receipts	£	85,034	£	106,141



Payments for the year ended 31 March 2021

	<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2020</u>	
Capitation to District	£	6,237	£	5,930
Premises & Facilities Costs				
Rent and Rates	£	249	£	288
Light and Heat	£	1,820	£	2,165
Telephone & Broadband	£	529	£	524
Insurance-Property (H/Q)	£	2,062	£	3,408
Insurance-Boats	£	3,789	£	3,700
Repairs-Premises	£	1,164	£	1,210
Boat Maintenance	£	3,699	£	6,457
Premises Maintenance	£	569	£	3,795
Activities				
Group	£	3,450	£	5,946
Group - Fund Raising	£	661	£	327
Beaver Scouts	£	139	£	1,197
Cub Scouts	£	400	£	999
Scouts	£	606	£	3,433
Explorers	£	- 0	£	630
RYA	£	- 0	£	- 0
Camp	£	3,210	£	18,215
Administration Expenses				
Admin/General expenses	£	274	£	828
Bank charges	£	- 0	£	35
Bank Interest	£	- 0	£	- 0
Purchase of Capital Equipment				
Equipment	£	4,009	£	3,227
Boats	£	8,456	£	16,714
Premises Redevelopment	£	4,023	£	- 0
Minibus	£	- 0	£	- 0
Sundry Payments				
Training	£	405	£	2,825
Minibus Insurance	£	663	£	692
Minibus Expenses	£	666	£	2,162
Purchase of Uniform	£	2,319	£	2,017
Pontoons & EA Fees	£	526	£	421
Donations	£	145	£	1,647
AGM/RNI Refreshments etc	£	- 0	£	- 0
Insurance-Accident & Medical	£	84	£	84
Camping Gas	£	- 0	£	238
Wheely Bin	£	366	£	396
Sundry Expenses	£	2,227	£	3,084
Total Payments	£	52,747	£	92,592



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31 March 2021

	<u>Year to 31st March 2021</u>		<u>Year to 31st March 2020</u>	
<u>Monetary Assets</u>				
Bank	£	146,055	£	113,768
Cash in Hand	£	- 0	£	- 0
Totals	£	146,055	£	113,768
<u>Debtors</u>				
Capitation overpayment	£	- 0	£	- 0
Totals	£	- 0	£	- 0
<u>Non-monetary Assets</u>				
Headquarters	£	616,210	£	595,372
Water Activities Centre	£	414,733	£	400,708
Motor Vehicles	£	1,000	£	2,000
Boats & related equipment	£	97,224	£	86,239
Equipment, Furniture etc.	£	37,079	£	35,825
Totals	£	1,166,246	£	1,120,144
Overall Total	£	1,312,301	£	1,233,912

Notes:

Valuations for "Non-monetary Assets" are based upon insured values except for the minibu

The group's headquarters is freehold.

The Water Activities Centre is a ninety-nine year leasehold which commenced in 1979. Annual ground rent is currently £38, reviewable every seven years in line with the retail price

The value of the minibus is being reduced by £1,000 per year to reflect its depreciation.



Sectional Accounts for the Year ended 31 March 2021

Beaver Scout Colony

Receipts and Payments 2020/2021

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Sundry income		Sundries	
Uniform		Uniform	
Camp		Camp	
Activities & Equipment	£ 67.50	Activities & Equipment	£ 138.78
Donations		Admin Expenses	
Interest		Transfer to Group	
	£ 67.50		£ 138.78
Balance at 1st April 2020	£ 1,167	Balance at 31st March 2021	£ 1,096

Cub Scout Pack

Receipts and Payments 2020/2021

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Summer Camp		Summer Camp	£ 1,080.00
Activities		Activities	£ 400.01
Uniform		Uniform	
Training		Equipment	
Donations		Training	
Interest		Donations	
Sundry		Admin Expense	
		Sundry	
		Transfer to Group	
	£ -		£ 1,480.01
Balance at 1st April 2020	£ 7,310	Balance at 31st March 2021	£ 5,830



Sea Scout Troop
Receipts and Payments 2020/2021

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Capitation	
Activities		Activities	£ 606.35
Uniform		Uniform	£ 234.92
Donations		Equipment & Boats	
Interest		Training	
Camp	£ 50.00	Camp	£ 950.00
Sundries	£ 100.00	Expenses	
		Group	
	£ 150.00		£1,791.27
Balance at 1st April 2020	£ 7,305	Balance at 31st March 2021	£ 5,664

Explorers
Receipts and Payments 2020/2021

Receipts		Payments	
Subscriptions		Activities	
Activities		Uniform	
Camp	£ 240.00	Camp	£1,180.00
Uniform		Admin Expenses	
Transfer from Group		Sundry Expenses	
	£ 240.00		£1,180.00
Balance at 1st April 2020	£ 2,087	Balance at 31st March 2021	£ 1,147



BANK/CASH 31 March 2021

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
BANK	£ 132,318.02	£ 1,095.90	£ 5,830.35	£ 5,663.60	£ 1,147.38	£ 146,055
	£ 132,318.02	£ 1,095.90	£ 5,830.35	£ 5,663.60	£ 1,147.38	£ 146,055
CASH IN HAND	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ - 0
	£ 132,318.02	£ 1,095.90	£ 5,830.35	£ 5,663.60	£ 1,147.38	£ 146,055

Group cash balances

Note:

Group cash balances include £75,000.00 of Reserves and £2,682.19 of Restricted Funds.

In 2008 the Trustees decided to establish certain reserves to ensure that the Group had sufficient monies to cover the replacement or repair of certain assets.

The current reserves are as follows :-	Buildings -	£ 7,000.00	(Previously Hall Redevelopment)
	Boats -	£ 7,000.00	
	Equipment -	£ 7,000.00	
	Minibus -	£ 7,000.00	
	Covid -19*	£ 25,000.00	
	General Reserves -	£ 22,000.00	
	Total-Reserves	£ 75,000.00	

Restricted Funds	Wheelyboat	£ 2,682.19
		£ -
		£ -
	Total-Restricted	£ 2,682.19

No further amounts have been added to reserves this year as the Trustees consider that the Reserves are appropriate based on the condition of the Group's assets.

* Covid - 19 Reserve has been established, as a temporary measure, to be used initially if there is a negative impact from the pandemic on the Group's financial position. Once the current situation is clarified any remaining monies will be released for use to support the Group's ongoing activities and assets.



Accounts analysis 2020/2021

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Subscriptions	21790.00					21790.00
Capitation						0.00
Bank Interest	55.97					55.97
Donations/grants	47183.93					47183.93
Activities:						
Group	3760.14					3760.14
Beavers		67.50				67.50
Cubs						0.00
Scouts						0.00
Explorers						0.00
RYA						0.00
Camp	940.00			50.00	240.00	1230.00
Fundraising	3382.81					3382.81
Hall Hire	45.00					45.00
Minibus Use						0.00
Gift Aid	6001.64					6001.64
Uniform Sales	395.00					395.00
Training	515.00					515.00
Premises Redevelopment						0.00
Asset Sales						0.00
Sundry Income	507.20			100.00		607.20
	84576.69	67.50	0.00	150.00	240.00	85034.19

Note:

Subscriptions for all Sections are collected by Group. After the payment of capitation all surplus subscriptions have been taken by Group towards central costs.

The Group funds the majority of its asset purchases through grants. The major grant providers this year were:-

Tesco	Tables	£ 1,000	
Scout Association-Royal	Boat Maintenance etc	£ 2,231	
Elmbridge BC	Covid-19	£ 20,240) HM Government initiated grants received as a result of the
Epsom & Ewell BC	Covid-19	£ 20,808) Group not being able to use its buildings or other facilities.

Group activities include all activities that are not particularly Section orientated as well as those that include external participants such as training courses. Any surpluses of income over expenditure is taken into Warspite's main accounts to contribute to the fixed assets and equipment required for these events.

There was no Summer Camp for any Section because of Covid-19 pandemic restrictions. Monies prepaid were either refunded or transferred from the Sections to Group for deposits towards the Summer 2021 camps.

Sundries include the refund of expenses or equipment purchased by the Group and repaid by third parties.

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The Group has no active Fund Raising Committee. All fund raising undertaken during the year was on an adhoc basis and as such any proceeds have been incorporated within the Group numbers.



Payments analysis 2020/2021

	GROUP	BEAVERS	CUBS	SCOUTS	EXPLORERS	TOTAL
Capitation	6237.00					6237.00
Subscriptions						0.00
Rent and Rates	249.26					249.26
Light and Heat	1819.88					1819.88
Telephone & Broadband	528.70					528.70
HQ & Boathouse Insurance	2062.44					2062.44
Boats Insurance	3789.32					3789.32
Premises Maintenance - Hall	1163.64					1163.64
Boat Maintenance	3699.33					3699.33
Premises Maintenance - BH	568.72					568.72
Activities:						
Group	3450.14					3450.14
Group - Fund Raising	661.25					661.25
Beavers		138.78				138.78
Cubs			400.01			400.01
Scouts				606.35		606.35
Explorers						0.00
RYA						0.00
Camp			1080.00	950.00	1180.00	3210.00
Admin Expenses	274.03					274.03
Bank Charges						0.00
Bank Interest						0.00
Capital purchases						
Equipment	4008.76					4008.76
Boats & related equipment	8456.40					8456.40
Premises Redevelopment	4023.01					4023.01
Minibus & equipment	0.00					0.00
Training	404.94					404.94
Minibus Insurance	662.52					662.52
Minibus Expenses	666.46					666.46
Uniform	2083.82			234.92		2318.74
Pontoons & EA fees	526.20					526.20
Donations*	144.88					144.88
AGM/RN Expenses						0.00
Insurance-Accident & Medical	84.00					84.00
Camping gas						0.00
Wheely Bin	365.64					365.64
Sundry Expenses	2226.77					2226.77
	48157.11	138.78	1480.01	1791.27	1180.00	52747.17



Notes:

* Monies were raised by a Cub who did a sponsored row, for the benefit of the RNLI.

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The Group has a policy to seek grants to fully or substantially fund the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. During this financial year grants totalled £3,231 (£3.231-spent) towards the cost of capital purchases/expenditure. Additional boats and equipment was funded by retained monies.