

Trustees' Annual Report

For the period

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Section A Reference and administration details

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity and the Charity Register if reporting for a Registered Charity with a charity regulator)

	Trustee Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year
1	Jody Jones	Chair	
2	Rebeca Roberts	Treasurer	
3	Roger Cragg	Group Scout Leader	
4	Bronwen Scott		
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Names and addresses of advisers (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

(These will be published in the annual report of the charity)

Type of advisor	Name	Address

Section B	Structure, governance and management
Description of the charity's trusts	
Type of governing document	<p>The Group's governing documents are those of the The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.</p>
How the charity is constituted	<p>The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.</p>
Trustee selection methods	<p>The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.</p>
Additional governance issues	<p>The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.</p> <p>Members of the Trustee Board complete Being a Scouts Trustee learning within the first 6 months of joining the Board.</p> <p>This Group Trustee Board exists to make sure the charity is well-managed, risks are assessed and mitigated, buildings and equipment are in good working order, and everyone follows legal requirements and the organisation's policies and rules. Their support helps other volunteers run high-quality and safe programmes that gives young people skills for life.</p>
Policies and procedures adopted for: a) the induction and training of trustees; b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them	

Section B	Structure, governance and management (continued)
	<p>Risk and Internal Control</p> <p>The Group Trustee Board has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:</p> <p>Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. Similar reciprocal arrangements exist with these organisations. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.</p> <p>Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.</p> <p>Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Board could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of leaders. The group is totally reliant upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.</p> <p>Reduction or loss of members. The Group provides activities for all young people aged 4 to 18. If there was a reduction in membership in a particular section or the group as whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group.</p>

Section C	Objectives and activities
Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The Purpose of Scouting Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.</p> <p>The Values of Scouting As Scouts we are guided by these values: Integrity - We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal. Respect - We have self-respect and respect for others. Care - We support others and take care of the world in which we live. Belief - We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes. Co-operation - We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.</p> <p>The Scout Method Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and: - enjoy what they are doing and have fun - take part in activities indoors and outdoors - learn by doing - share in spiritual reflection - take responsibility and make choices - undertake new and challenging activities - make and live by their Promise.</p>
Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects	<p>The Group operates 4 sections, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers covering the ages from 6 to 18 years. Meeting are held weekly during term time. Opportunities are provided every month for the Scouts and Explorers to go camping, and every term for the Beavers and Cubs. Mountaineering and kayaking are the main adventurous activities undertaken with the Explorers being offered the DofE programme.</p>
Public benefit statement	<p>The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.</p>

Section D	Achievements and performance
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>The numbers of young people registered in the group in January 2023 was 119. Leader numbers remain very healthy at 22.</p>
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Section E	Financial Review
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Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	<p>Reserves Policy</p> <p>The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Trustee Board considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 5 months running costs, circa £6000</p> <p>The Group held reserves of approximately £10,750 against this at year end. This is above the level required for operating expenses. However this can be explained by a capital grant and gift aid claim. At the end of the next financial year we expect the funds to be at the agreed level.</p>
Quantify and explain any designations	
Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)	

Further financial review details

Investment Policy

The Group's Income and Expenditure is very small and as a consequence does not have sufficient funds to invest in longer-term investments such as stocks and shares. The Group has therefore adopted a low risk strategy to the investment of its funds. All funds are held in cash using only mainstream banks or building societies or The Scout Association's Short Term Investment Service.

- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;

The Group Trustee Board regularly monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements. Occasionally this may involve using an account that requires a period of notice before funds may be withdrawn, before doing so the Group Trustee Board considers the cash flow requirements.

Section F

Other Optional Information

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

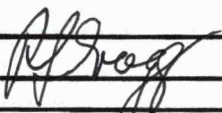

Section G

Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Roger Cragg Jody Jones

Position (eg Secretary, Chair)

Group Scout Leader Chair

Date

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1st Llangollen Scouts

Accounts for the period 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023

Income for year	31st March 2023	
Subscriptions	£	8,568.00
Donations	£	50.00
Fundraising	£	1,162.46
Gift aid	£	2,125.31
Scouts summer fundraising	£	-
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Interest	£	3.62
Other		625.00
Camps and activities Income	£	19,895.50
Total income for the year	£	32,485.89
Expenditure for year		
Insurance	-£	462.64
Capitation	-£	6,604.50
Camps and activities Expenditure	-£	20,304.12
Scarves and badges	-£	1,182.35
New equipment	-£	2,513.34
OSM Fees	-£	1,006.35
Hut expenditure	-£	577.08
Other Expenses	-£	1,699.09
Total Expenditure for the year	-£	34,349.47
Profit / (loss) for year	-£	1,863.58

Opening balance at bank

Cash in bank @ 01/4/2022

Natwest Current Account	£	3,472.55
Natwest Reserve Account	£	822.79
Lloyds Treasurers account	£	8,318.49
	£	12,613.83

Cash in bank @ 31/3/2023

Natwest Current Account	£	5,597.86
Natwest Reserve Account	£	826.41
Lloyds Treasurers account	£	4,325.98
	£	10,750.25

Cash at bank @ 31/03/2022	£	12,613.83
Surplus for the year	-£	1,863.58
Unpresented cheques at 31/3/2022	£	-
Cash in bank @ 31/3/2023	£	10,750.25

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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of 1st Llangollen Scout Group

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the 1st Llangollen Scout Group (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:	
Name:	Lionel Bould
Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any):	
Address:	Blaenau Dwr Farm, Froncysyllte, LL20 7RY
Date	07/09/2024