

Group Scout Leader Report – for the year 2021



Despite Covid, the group was able to maintain sectional meetings during the early part of 2021 via a Zoom offering. This did have a large impact on attendance where we saw as much as a 50% drop in numbers. However, the sections continued to meet this way until the end of May where face to face meetings with restrictions could start to take place.

We Group Committee decided that we would not be able to charge subscriptions as we felt there were hardships within families within the area as it was without putting unnecessary burden on them – plus we felt it would be difficult to collect especially in the first part of the year. We recommenced subscriptions in September 2021.

On full face to face return in September 2021, we were pleasantly surprised by the numbers that came back, but due to age etc we had seen a drop of around 25% of youth and we also lost two volunteers.

However, we are now back in the swing of a full scouting programme and have held several camps throughout the sections as well weekly meetings. The 2 Beaver, 2 Cub and 1 Scout section have now been joined by our new section called Squirrels which started in October – this caters for youth between the ages of 4 to 6 and has been very popular. We capped the number of kids allowed to begin with to 18 – and we have a waiting list – this section has been a success and we hope to increase capacity if we can get more volunteers.

Turning to our own HQ 'The Shack' – we had to moth ball all activities and events during lock down, but we have now started to fully utilise the building again and we have a number of plans and maintenance work that needs to be done to ensure the building is fit for use. We are tied somewhat in the fact we rely on volunteers to help us here, but several days over weekends has allowed us to clear out a lot of old stuff and prepare us for future developments.

All being well the group has come out of covid healthy, but with still a lot of work to be done.

Mike Dolan
Group Scout Leader





308th Manchester Scout Group Income & Expenditure 01-Apr-2020 / 31-Mar-2021



Income		Expenditure	
Bank Balance B/F	£ 8,545.05	Bank Charges	£ 12.25
Cash Balance B/F	£ 1,846.04	Gas Usage	£ 104.40
Beaver Scout Subscriptions 75%	£ -	Electricity Usage	£ 226.23
Cub Scout Subscriptions 75%	£ -	Water Usage	£ 121.81
Scout Subscriptions 75%	£ -	MCC Ground Rent	£ 148.75
Explorer Shack use donation 19/20	£ -	MCC Rates	£ -
Financial Services Compensation	£ 25,263.14	Shack Maintenance	£ 270.00
Scheme (FSCS)		New Vinyl Floor	£ 7,053.60
Scout Recovery Fund	£ 2,850.00	Resources, Badges & Neckerchiefs	£ 395.52
Balance Scout Winter Camp	£ 236.00	Insurance- Shack, Equipment	£ 902.44
Scout Bag Pack (Mar19)	£ 338.69	& Helpers	
Donation	£ 20.00	Membership Fees	£ 2,280.00
Group Tee Shirts	£ 20.00	Financial Services Compensation	£ 1,381.64
Bank Int.	£ 0.72	Scheme Returned Overpayment	
		Bank Balance C/F	£ 26,120.79
		Cash Balance C/F	£ 102.21
Total CR	£ 39,119.64	Total DR	£ 39,119.64

**Audited by Anthony Davies 27th Jan. 2022 and confirmed as a true record
(Stock not Checked)**