

# Annual Report 2020-21



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22nd Wimbledon



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# A Message from our Chairman

Starting to write this report, I did not expect to be saying that the young people have been mainly meeting on Zoom for the last year. To reiterate as I do each year, I wanted to thank all the leaders for everything they have done this year. There have been some great zoom meetings with mug cakes, plasticine figures, escape rooms, science evenings and various virtual camps.

I would also like to thank all the young people for getting involved with the different Scouting experience and the parents for assisting with the technology.

In the midst of all the changes, Graham took on the additional role of GSL. Thank you to Graham for everything he does for the 22nd Cub Pack, Group and District.

As you know, the purpose of this report is to provide details of what we as a group have been up to during the year which has been one of the strangest years I can ever remember. However, it is looking like we are moving towards face-to-face meetings soon.

We were thinking of having a “Welcome Back” party/BBQ in June to include the Annual General Meeting and award presentations, but we have decided to delay any celebrations until later in the year and proceed with the meeting on zoom instead.

At the Annual General Meeting we also elect the executive committee. It is the executive committees' role to support the Group and help raise funds to enable the young people to enjoy their time with the group. The funds are also used to maintain buildings and equipment.

As you will have seen, we have been making the most of the time while the young people have not been meeting at the HQ, to update the toilets which are looking great. We have now moved onto the kitchen, so we will have great facilities for our young people to enjoy.

Here goes the usual plea for any volunteers to join the executive committee. There's always something to do, and no reasonable offer will be refused.

Finally, I wanted to again thank the great team of leaders, young leaders, helpers and parents who all put in the time so that the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts have a great time. We also have a great Explorer unit who support the Group in any way they can.

On behalf of the Group, I do hope you enjoy reading the report and I hope you'll join us for the AGM this year.

**Ann Fellowes**  
**Group Chairman**

# Group Report 2020-21

Well, here we are at my first Group Report having taken over from Alan as Group Scout Leader at the AGM last year... and what a year it has been – not the year that I, or anyone else had hoped for but I am not going to dwell on that, instead we will look at the positives that have come out of it to bring us to where we are today.

Despite changing from virtual to face to face and back again, our Group membership has remained pretty much stable which, given the additional pressures this year is a credit to the leadership teams. Some Groups in the District were not able to, for one reason or another, meet face to face, let alone run virtual meetings on zoom, so I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all of the section leadership teams who have continued to run meetings throughout the pandemic – trying to work out how you can run activities online is not an easy thing to do, but you have risen to the challenge and have succeeded in keeping the young people engaged. On top of that, thank you to the young people for putting up with these changes.

We have all learnt something from Scouting on Zoom... the mute button... how nice it is to get complete silence at the touch of a button – if only that were possible when face to face!!

Although residential and District/County events have not taken place, sections still have been able to take part in virtual camps and the 22nd had one of the largest turnouts for the District Spooktacular Camp in October.

We were also not put off by the cancellation of the Wimbledon Theatre pantomime – thanks to the contributions from the four sections, we were able to subscribe to Peter Duncan's online panto of Jack and the Beanstalk – hopefully that brought some smiles to your faces from the comfort of your living room?! We have seen a few personnel changes this year. In September, Oliver Pusey agreed to take over from Ollie Foster as Scout Leader. Thank you to Ollie for his work over the last few years and who has agreed to stay on and help out with the Troop. I wish Oliver all the best of success with the Troop and trust that he will gain the support of the parents too. We also welcome Alice Sheffield who has agreed to take out an Assistant Scout Leader position. Alice has been 'home-grown' and has been with the 22nd Wimbledon since she was a Beaver!

We are, as always looking for additional adults to be a part of our Section teams – if you'd be interested, then please either speak to me or your section leader and I am sure that we can find you a role that fits in with your availability!

This year we have also seen some awards for the adults in the Group. Firstly, I am proud that Alan Maloney, as part of the St Georges Day awards has been awarded the Silver Acorn for his continued and dedicated service to Scouting – well done Alan, such a great achievement. Dominic Moore (Beavers) was awarded the Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service – great work Dom! Congratulations also to Liz Strachan (Beavers) who has completed her Adult Leader Training – hopefully we'll be able to present them all with their certificates and awards soon. We were also pleased to have 3 leaders awarded with the 'Purple Knot' which is awarded by the District Commissioner for additional contributions to Scouting - Alison Edwards (Raksha, Cubs) for her work in helping leaders from across the District to complete their training throughout the lockdown and for helping Groups write their Covid Risk Assessments so that they could return to face to face Scouting. Oliver Pusey (Scouts) for his work supporting the District with Media and Communications and I was also awarded one for contacting zoom on behalf of the Scout Association to enquire if we could get cheaper rates on their fee-paying package! From this, the Scout Association managed to negotiate free access for Scout Groups across the UK for the duration of lockdown!

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I would also like to mention the leaders from the Group who, not only help to run a section, but also hold an additional role outside of the group – Dominic Moore - District Beaver Leader, Alison Edwards - ADC Leader Training, Oliver Pusey – District Media & Comms and Tim Kerridge – ADC Scouts. Alan Maloney is also a District Training Advisor who helps to train new leaders from across the District. Thank you to all of you for everything that you also do outside of the Group to help the other leaders in the District.

Our Headquarters has undergone significant changes this year. We started off on a scorching hot day in the summer to dismantle the 2 older garages within the HQ compound in preparation for the 2 new containers which replaced them. Thank you to Wayne Douglas, Colin Clark and Chris Gagen who helped out with the demolition. The new containers will provide us with safe (and dry!) storage areas for equipment.

We have also taken on the huge refurbishment of the toilet facilities and lobby area. This project has been talked about for years, but finally we were in a good position to go ahead. Declan Gleeson has been fundamental to the project who agreed to be appointed in the role of project manager for the refurbishment from the outset with drawing up plans, taking these out to tender and overseeing the completion of the project. Apologies to Becky, his daughter who could never get home from Cubs on time during the refurbishment as I usually had a 'catch-up' with Declan after Cubs to discuss progress! Declan was presented with a Scout Thanks Badge for everything that he has done for us. The new facilities are looking stunning and were officially opened by Alan Maloney at which time we were able to present him with a couple of small gifts to show our appreciation for everything that he has done as Group Scout Leader over the last 20 years – as you will know, Alan has agreed to be our Group Secretary so will very much still be a part of the group which I am thankful for.

We have also installed a new canopy above the entrance doors to stop the rain getting into the lobby area – thank you to Tim Kerridge for helping to install the canopy.

During lockdown, we also took the advantage of the hall not being used to sand, repaint the lines and revarnish the floor. All we need now is for the sections to be able to return to use the improved facilities. As you will know, we are also hoping to refurbish the kitchen this coming year which will complete the renovations... for now!

We look forward to brighter times over the forthcoming year and hope to be able to resume those things that we have missed last year.

**Graham Fairclough**  
**Group Scout Leader**



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**Beaver Colony Report**

**BEAVERS**

# Beaver Colony Report

Hello! Can you hear us? You're muted! Your camera is off! How have you turned yourself upside down?! Wait who's annotating the PowerPoint?! These are all common phrases the leadership team have used over the past year and not phrases I thought I would still be using! But we have hope on the horizon. Although we have been using zoom for the best part of the last year, that has not stopped us from having fun and doing loads as you will soon find out!

With us having to stop face to face meetings, the leaders all got to together on zoom (which soon became our new friend) to work out what we could do. The first couple of weeks started off with a challenge set by the leaders – from building a fort in your living room to design a new badge. Then we decided to be brave – all 30 Beavers on zoom at once! The first zoom night saw us having a scavenger hunt around the house trying to find forgotten pieces of kit for a camp. The highlight of this was when we asked the Beavers to put on everything they had found!

We then saw the return of some much-loved tv shows to a virtual Beaver format. The Price is Right and Through the Keyhole. Through the Keyhole had the leaders film a short tour of their home with clues as to which leader it could be. The price is right saw the Beavers having a guess at some everyday items – from a packet of Haribo right up to a new car. The leaders must say they did very well at this with some of them getting all the prices correct! Maybe we have some potential contestants if the shows return.

July saw Sam Safaris joining us for the evening and showing off some of the animals at their zoo and how to care for them. We were joined by a Frog, Leopard Gecko, Bearded Dragon, Chinchilla and a Pygmy Hedgehog. This was a really fun evening for learning about the different animals and the sort of habitat they live in in the wild.

We also had Fox take over for an evening with drawing pictures using a given number. This was a really enjoyable evening that required a lot of thinking of how you could turn the “9” into a picture! We also embarked on our first baking session of Mug Cakes with Robin. This was a really fun evening with lots of chocolatey cakes being baked, and it went down so well with the Beavers that we have made at least another 4 since then! The leaders are already looking at how we could do this when we can hold camps again – watch this space.

The final meeting of the term saw a virtual end of term party along with a roundup of everything we had packed into 4 months of virtual Beavers along with what each of the Beavers favourite activity was.

The start of September saw some hope. Our long-awaited return to face-to-face meetings! We kicked our face-to-face meetings off with the international badge. This had the Beavers learning about different languages and completing some puzzle shaped flags and working out which country they belonged to. They also got the chance to try some Swiss roll - which although looked a lot like Cadbury mini rolls, Tic Tac promises they weren't!

Leading up to the October half term the Beavers earned their experiment badges. This involved filling film canisters with water and berocca tablets and seeing how high they could get them to go! It also saw the Beavers participating in the District Halloween camp. On one very wet Saturday the Beavers came down to the HQ and tried their turn at indoor archery and tomahawk throwing. As part of this they also got a Doughies pizza kit to make their very own pizza at home – if you have not tried this yet, it's a must. After a night sleeping in a makeshift tent at home, Saturday morning saw Tic Tac delivering a Zoom Mug Cake Session for all the Beavers in the District.

In what was our final face to face meeting we held our annual fireworks evening for the Beavers. With the added upgrade of this year of Hot Chocolate and Cake. Every year the Beavers are always incredibly well behaved at this – and this year especially even with having to socially distance.

# Beaver Colony Report (Cont.)

With the return to zoom meetings we thought it was about right that the Beavers completed their communication badge. This saw the Beavers learning some sign language, their home phone number and code breaking.

We would normally finish the year off with lots of fun Christmas activities and doughnuts but delivering 30 doughnuts around Motspur Park wasn't an option, so we opted for the next best thing, a Christmas quiz, Mug Cakes and a virtual Christmas party! We must say the Beavers did exceptionally well with the Christmas quiz, and better than some of the leaders. Our last evening saw lots of fun virtual games and a virtual Just Dance competition.

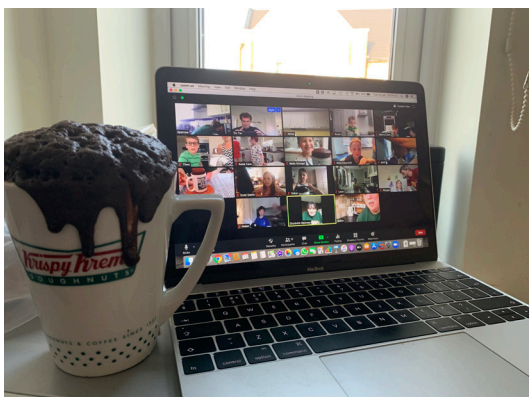
We started off the new year with the Space Badge. This had the Beavers learning all the names of the planets and how long it would take to travel to them all. When the leaders worked out their ages for a return trip to Neptune, they quickly decided against this trip! As part of the space badge, we also had a guest speaker named Mark who knew all things Space. This saw the Beavers drawing pictures of different planets and learning more about our solar system. Tic Tac has also applied to NASA to have "22nd Wimbledon Beavers" on a plaque which will be sent on to Mars on the next mission. Fingers crossed we make the list!

After a week's zoom break, we restarted the action with our creative badge This saw the Beavers designing their own superheroes and making them into a comic strip and explaining it to the rest of the colony. The Beavers also took part in another scavenger hunt but this time with a twist – using the list of items they had to find they would need to build something out of these. This was quite good to watch, seeing the Beavers make something out of: books, shoes, kitchen roll, toilet roll and a coat hanger. But they let their imaginations run wild and some great ideas came out of it.

We finished the term off with the cook's badge. This saw the Beavers decorating biscuits, making pizzas in a microwave – sounds odd but is rather nice. With their final cooking piece being Chocolate Easter Cakes using Rice Krispies or Cornflakes. The leaders were really impressed with these, and thanks to parents for helping (and cleaning up!)

And well that has been the Beaver's year. Whilst sitting at home one Friday night sorting out the latest batch of badges, I was shocked to discover that the Beavers have managed to earn a staggering 457 badges between them this past year (hope you have enjoyed the sewing parents)!. I want to congratulate all of them for this and for sticking with zoom, there are some Beavers who have not missed a single session (even the leaders haven't managed this one) Thanks to the parents as well who have given up their device for an hour each week for them to enjoy Beavers. Finally thank you to the leadership team - Charlie, Lizze, Elizabeth, Jack and our young leaders - Josh, Gemma and most recently Dan. Here's hope to a better a year and fingers crossed for a camp soon. Stay safe everyone!

## Dominic Moore Beaver Scout Leader



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**Cub Pack Report**

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# Cub Pack Report

Dear avid readers of the Cub Pack report, you will be pleased (!) to hear that this years report will be significantly shorter than the previous years but, just as every other year, 2020 has been one to remember!

So, we started the year with the unprecedented decision to suspend face to face meetings – the first time ever in the history of Scouting that we have needed to do so and therefore, heigh ho, heigh ho it's off to zoom we go! Who would have thought that it would be possible to run Cubs virtually?!! Fortunately, we rose to the challenge to bring some form of normality into their lives and for them to at least be able to see their friends again. We soon got the hang of it... how to play around with the backdrops and make parts of your body disappear, how to turn yourself around 360 degrees and, for the leaders, where the 'mute all' button was – a fabulous invention!

Our first few meetings involved a scavenger hunt, where the Cubs were sent off to find various items from around the house – apologies to the parents for the mound of items that they had collected by the end of the session – no doubt they put it all back themselves?!

In the middle of April, we should have been going off to indoor camp but why should a lockdown stop us? Instead, we held our very first virtual camp whereby the Cubs were encouraged to build a den or put up a tent in the garden and sleep in it overnight. During the day, they were set a variety of challenges which they could attempt if they wanted to, all of which ticked off a part of their badge work. Safe to say, it went down well and was a success... for the leaders at least... no early wake up calls, no mounds of cooking and washing up and very little stress! We should do more of those.

Back on zoom we had different challenges like photos taken from obscure angles from around the HQ and they had to guess what they were. We also joined the Pack together by asking them all to film themselves being thrown a football from one side of the screen and throwing it off the other which we then put together and showed them the outcome. Most of the Pack took part and was good to see everyone together, if only virtually!

We then decided that the Cubs were probably sick of seeing our faces so had a long a couple of 'guest speakers' the first being an online drumming workshop and the second, a lego workshop. Both evenings had the Cubs entertained for the entire session. Once again, for the drumming, I found the 'mute all' button again... it still works!!

Getting confident with the technical stuff, we then put together a quiz on 'My Quiz' which gave the Cubs multiple choice answers and gave them additional points depending on who answered correctly the fastest with an overall leaderboard at the end... well done to everyone who took part.

We have also learnt from our mistakes on zoom... in June, we decided to hold an ice cream challenge where they had to use ice cream and other bits and pieces to make an edible animal – unfortunately it was still quite warm and by the 'times up' a number had already started to melt!!

We had another visitor join us....Skittleman, a childrens entertainer for a light-hearted evening who did some magic and other entertainment – it was lovely to see the Cubs smiling and laughing again.

Coming up to the end of the summer term, it is customary to hold a Cub Water Fight so we turned this into another virtual event. Like the football challenge, the Cubs were filmed having a bucket of water thrown at them and then threw a bucket of water off screen to the next person. I think it is safe to say that some parents might have been getting revenge on their Cubs by the number of 'takes' that happened!! Again, the end result was good to watch... and meant that I didn't get wet either!!

By this time, there were a number of online resources becoming available from across the country with other leaders inventing games that could be run online, so we made use of these and took part in 'The Price is Right' and 'The Cube'.

# Cub Pack Report (Cont.)

The end of the summer term saw all 4 sections coming together (virtually) to take part in The Great Indoors Weekender – a virtual camp organized by the Scout Association with some extra parts put in by the leaders. This is also when we introduced the Group to 'Doughies Pizzas' with an order of over 120 pizza kits for the Group, these all went down a storm and were enjoyed by everyone. Over the course of the weekend, there were online activities to take part in and a live campfire.

We finished our summer term with our last guest speaker – The Science Lady who, unsurprisingly got the Cubs doing hands on experiments looking at pH indicators, making floating ghosts out of tea bags (herbal ones preferred!) and sucking up water into a glass by just using a match!

Alas, there was no summer camp this year either.... We booked, we planned, we cancelled.. The site is rebooked for 2021 so fingers crossed!!

We returned in September with a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel with the news that we could return to face to face Scouting, albeit in a very controlled manner. Risk assessments were written and approved by District, barriers and tents erected and plans drawn up to see how best we could accommodate 45 + Cubs into groups of no more than 15! We opted for 2 groups per night meeting every 2 weeks – and all this as the toilet rebuild began, so we resorted to using portaloos – although it was interesting to note how few times the Cubs needed the toilet compared to a normal meeting night!!

For those who were meeting face to face, we decided to embark on the Scientist Badge, whilst those at home were given part of their Home Safety Badge to work towards and submit evidence for their badge. We made rockets with film canisters (remember those?!) and vitamin C tablets, made cress heads and made polystyrene cups disappear with the help of acetone.

....and then Covid reared its ugly head again and we had to resort back to virtual meetings, although this wasn't necessarily a bad thing as we could only have one group meeting inside whilst the other was out in the tent and the nights were starting to draw in!

Not to be defeated by the C word, we packaged up and delivered equipment for the last 2 science experiments – Marshmallow bridges and Cotton Reel Tanks so that we could still deliver the badge over zoom.

So, we started the New Year back on Zoom, joined by a new Explorer Young Leader, Matthew Coverdale who is an Explorer with the St Saviours Unit. For the term, the Cubs were working towards their Skills Challenge Badge. This involved some code breaking activities and an escape room. They also learned (or practiced!) how to make a hot drink and how to lay the table (all in preparation for being able to go camping again soon!) We have also had a couple of guest speakers – one to teach some yoga to the Cubs and the other, making their own plasticine models of a Cub – this went down so well with siblings too that we had to split the pack over 2 days so that everyone could make one. There were some great stop motion videos created with them too! We have also seen quite a bit of cooking for this badge – perhaps it is because we don't have to contend with the washing up at the end of the meeting – who knows?! They made some delightful Apple Crumble Mug Cakes – run by our Young Leader, Matthew, made scrummy rock cakes and made scarves out of pastry! To balance things out, we did also have a fruit evening, whereby they needed to use whatever fruit they had at home to create their own monster! We ended the term with a glow disco and Easter craft evening – each Cub was issued with some glow sticks in advance, turned their lights off and danced away to some 'Just Dance' videos, swam in a virtual duck race and tested their knowledge with different household brands!

And there we have it – the end to a very eventful year, but not all for the best reasons! As always, thanks to the leadership team – whether that's those who have been chomping at the bit to get back to face to face Scouting, but also to Alison and Matthew who have joined me for the crazy antics via zoom!

# Cub Pack Report (Cont.)

A huge thankyou also to the parents who have supported the Cubs over the last year – if home schooling wasn't enough to contend with, you also had us asking you to provide various items for meetings, supervise (or probably do) the washing up after the calls or just be there to help during the zoom meeting – your help has been invaluable. Finally, thank you to the Cubs, your resilience has shone through this year having to deal with the constant changes and restrictions but, regardless of this, you joined in to the best of your ability – you are all AMAZING!

## Graham Fairclough Cub Scout Leader



**More Fun.**

**More Skills.**

**More Marshmallows.**

**Scout Troop Report**

# Scout Troop Report

What a year we have had, the past year has seen a number of changes and challenges. In April last year we were getting started with Scouting online, however, it hasn't stopped us from having a great time.

With the Face to Face Scouting coming to a grinding halt the leadership team got together on Zoom to come up with a plan. The first 6 weeks included setting a badge per week to complete, ranging from the Chefs Badge to the Writers Badge. During this time, a plan was brewing to start virtual meetings and get us back together again.

Our first Zoom meeting was joint with the Beavers, Cubs and Explorers for St. Georges Day and allowed us to renew our Scout promise, it was a great chance for us to get used to what was to come. What was to come, well, we had a great Summer term starting off with a 'Not a Pub Quiz' for our Scouts and families to join in and set the tone for the rest of the term. We ran a great variety of activities including family favourite games such as Pictionary, as well as getting the Scouts running around their house trying to find items as part of a scavenger hunt.

We were soon able to issue our next challenge by setting some more badges that had been created by our friends in Greater London South. These included a home camping challenge which got the Scouts building some great forts in their gardens, living rooms and bedrooms. There was also the Taskmaster challenge, this involved the Scouts completing a number of weird and wacky tasks such as making a sandwich with one hand (which proved to be rather messy for some).

As we moved through the term, we circled back to the initial 6 badges set and ran sessions to support the Scouts in completing their badges alongside some more puzzling activities including code breaking. It was then time to introduce our Scouts to some classic TV game shows. One of the favourites was The Price is Right, with the Scouts taking a guess at some household items. As a leadership team, we must say how impressed we are, with some getting all the prices spot on, no easy task.

July saw the term rounding to an end with some classic Scouting activities taking place during our weekly meetings. A favourite amongst the Scouts was our Box Oven Bake Off, this had our Scouts building a small oven out of a cardboard box, tin foil and a fire (or disposable bbq). I can say that there is definitely a skill to cooking in a box oven, and some of our Scouts have mastered it perfectly (even if the box oven catches fire).

During July the Troop also got involved with The Great Indoors Weekender, a virtual camp run by the Scout Association for Scouts across the country and further afield. The weekend started with a Scavenger Hunt around the local area finishing up at the HQ to collect their pizza kits for lunch. There were a number of great activities run online by the Scout Association and some by our leadership team, including making rockets, folding their own mini origami Scout uniform, Yoga and a virtual campfire led by the great team at Gilwell. This was a great way to round off the term and look forward to the new autumn term.

July was also not just the end of the term for the troop, but also a time of change as Oliver Foster and Rachel Langford, stepped down from their leadership roles and myself, taking on the role of Scout Leader for the Troop. It is at this point I want to thank both Ollie and Rachel for their hard work running the troop over the past year and wish them the best of luck for the future, and I look forward to continuing working with them as they continue to assist the Troop and Group.

September came and with it a breath of fresh air and the return to Face to Face meetings. We kicked everything off with a couple of favourites, fire lighting and outdoor games. It was great to see the happy smiling faces as the Scouts were able to see their friends again. It was a great chance to get back to the roots of Scouting and get the Scouts developing their skills and this was just the start of things to come.

Moving into October and as the night drew darker, we moved to some new activities. Again keeping to the same theme as we did in September, we started the Scouts off with their own camp tinder kit ready for

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when we return to camping and they need to light their fires. We also started them off with some wood carving and knife training to ensure they knew how to carve safely and could produce something they could treasure. Unfortunately, they have yet been able to complete these, as we moved in to November we were placed back into lock down and had to move back onto Zoom.

Just before our return to virtual Scouting we took part in another virtual camp, this was run by the District and themed around Halloween. As with the previous camp, a scavenger hunt was run looping back to the HQ to collect their treats box and glow in the dark badge and scarf. The Scouts were also given the opportunity to take part in Soft Archery (Indoor Archery) and Tomahawk throwing, it turns out some of our Scouts have incredible aim.

Back on Zoom we carried on when we left off with meetings having a challenging theme. We started the first week back by completing a virtual escape room, the Scouts were locked in the HQ and had to find the key to get out using the information around them. To bring back a favourite from our previous Zoom sessions, we bought back the scavenger hunt, this time with a twist. For this hunt, the Scouts had to decode the item they had to find. We rounded our games and challenges off by playing a game of battleships, however, we took it to a new level, playing it with 20 Scouts, it turns out 1 call can sink many ships.

Now, we would normally like to finish the term with Christmas activities and a party, unfortunately this wasn't an option this year. We went for an alternative this year, cooking up Gingerbread mug cakes and a christmas themed quiz (it turns out the Scouts knew more than the leaders).

New Year and a new term. We started the new term with an opportunity for the Scouts to catch up with their friends and to welcome new members. We welcomed back some favourites from the previous term and welcomed a new activity. The Scouts took part in The Crystal Maze, they included the favourites from the original TV show covering physical, skill, mental and mystery. The first half of the term flew by and finished with a virtual twist on our classic pancake evening, we set the challenge to see which Scouts could flip the most pancakes.

As we moved into the second half of the spring term, the Scouts have been getting crafty with origami, creating a Scout shirt, duck's face and a greeting card with an opening flower. The Scouts also had a pizza making evening, which ended with the age old debate of pineapple on a pizza, yes or no? (its a yes from me!). We finished up the term with a great game of Disney music bingo, a mix of new and classics. You could tell who the Disney fans were (or how old the leaders were), and the Scouts did really well.

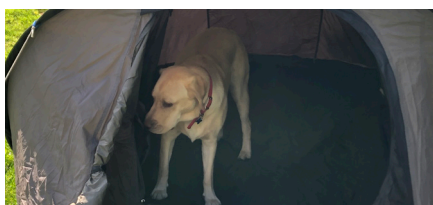
Throughout the second half of the term, we also provided more badges that could be completed at home. These badges were chosen by the Scouts and focused around issues or activities that interest them including First Aid, Global Issues and Environmental Conservation.

That wraps up the year, it has been a different year and we are almost out the other side. Before I sign off, I want to thank the parents, many of whom have given up their time (and devices) for an hour a week to allow the Scout to get involved and have some fun. I would also like to thank the young people themselves, it has been a tough year for all of us, and with virtual schooling, an extra hour may have not been the most appealing, so I thank them for sticking with us (especially those who have attended every meeting, even the leaders haven't managed this one).

Finally I wish to thank my leadership team, as I mentioned earlier, Ollie and Rachel for running the troop until the end of the summer term, Dan, Alice, Keira and Mark for their continued support both online and face to face and it has been great to see the team develop over the year. My thanks also go to the group leadership team for their ongoing support whilst I grow into this role.

**Oliver Pusey**  
**Scout Leader**

# Scout Troop Report (Cont.)



# Leadership Team

**Group Scout Leader**

Alan Maloney (to June 2020)

**Group Scout Leader**

Graham Fairclough (From June 2020)

## Beaver Colony

Beaver Scout Leader

Dominic Moore

Assistant BSL

Elizabeth Maloney

Assistant BSL

Charlotte O'Shea

Assistant BSL

Jack Sheffield

Assistant BSL

Lizzie Strachan

Young Leader

Gemma Kerridge

Young Leader

Josh Lampton

## Byron Cub Pack

Cub Scout Leader

Graham Fairclough

Assistant CSL

Alison Edwards

Assistant CSL

Keith Elston

Assistant CSL

Chris Gagen

Section Assistant

Veronica Kerridge

Section Assistant

Freddie Badham

Section Assistant

Peter Brown

Young Leader

Matthew Coverdale (from September 2020)

## Scout Troop

Scout Leader

Oliver Pusey (from September 2020)

Assistant SL

Alice Sheffield (from January 2021)

Section Assistant

Tim Kerridge

Section Assistant

Daniel Shaw

Section Assistant

Oliver Foster (from September 2020)

Young Leader

Keira Pearson (from September 2020)

Above we report on the leadership team as at 31 March 2021.



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Group Information



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22nd Wimbledon

# Minutes of the 2020 AGM

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020 commencing at 8.30pm

## Present:

Chairman	Ann Fellowes
Treasurer	Andrew Pearson
Group Scout Leader	Alan Maloney (until item 5)
Group Scout Leader	Graham Fairclough (from item 6)

Approx. 30 parents, leaders, guests and supporters of the Group

Guests: Owen Purcell, Assistant Distant Commissioner (Beavers)

Michelle McNamara, Assistant District Commissioner (Cubs)

## 1. Chairman's opening remarks

In welcoming everybody the Chairman noted this was the first time the AGM had been held online. The Executive had decided that as face to face meetings were not currently possible because of the CoVid-19 pandemic business should proceed in the best way forward, hence the current online meeting.

The Chairman thanked outgoing members of the Executive for their support during the past year but particularly thanked all section leaders and the GSL for all their work which had been immense during the last three months due to the lockdown situation. She expressed the hope that the situation would resolve itself over the summer, normal activities could return, and we might even have a big party to celebrate!

She also wished to give thanks to Oliver Pusey for assisting with the preparation and design of the annual report for 2019/2020 which had been circulated to everyone in advance and posted on the Group website.

## 2. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Wayne Douglas and Oliver Pusey. Apologies had also been received from Deborah Carter, District Commissioner.

## 3. Minutes of the AGM held on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019

The minutes which had been circulated in the annual report 2019/20 were approved.

## 4. Presentation and adoption of the accounts 2019/20

The Treasurer, Andrew Pearson, presented the annual accounts for 2019/20 which had been approved by the Executive Committee and cleared by the Independent Examiner to whom thanks were given. He remarked that the Group had enjoyed a successful financial year and in particular made reference to the increased rental income from hall bookings. Payments online had been arranged through a new banking arrangement and this had greatly improved efficiency.

The GSL wished to record his sincere appreciation to the work of the Treasurer this past year and also to Joan Pearson for her diligence which had increased the hall income. The meeting was pleased to echo these words of appreciation.

The accounts for 2019/20 were endorsed by the meeting and would now be submitted to the Charity Commission along with the annual report.

## 5. Receipt and consideration of the annual report 2019/20

The GSL, Alan Maloney, reminded the meeting that the report was written just as the "lockdown" period was announced and when all face-to-face Scouting had been halted. He wanted to recognise the incredible effort and dedication by the Section teams and the Executive Committee during the past year, much of which was detailed in the circulated report.

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But the last three months had been particularly testing as sections had held meetings every week online with an ever-increasing variety of activity in order to motivate the young people during this difficult time. Clearly our Spring and Summer programmes had been and would be seriously affected but he had every confidence that the Group would rise to the occasion. That very evening a webinar had been held with Gilwell in which they announced that plans were being made to facilitate the return of face-to-face scouting when it was safe to do so. Details would be circulated the following day and parents, executive committees and leaders would all be involved in drawing up plans for a return at the appropriate time. It was clear that things would not get back to normal for some time which may require a rethink about how we do things. There were also likely to be some changes to leadership in the Sections which would bring new challenges. There were also financial consequences for the whole movement which would need to be addressed in the next few months.

The GSL noted that there were interesting times ahead with a major project to upgrade the toilet facilities, the intention to renew the old garages in the compound and a possible refurbishment of the kitchen.

The GSL thanked the section leaders for all their efforts over the past year, families for continuing to support the Group and the young people themselves who had joined in with the activities on offer, and the many Trustees of the Group he had worked with over the years. In the past few weeks, he had reflected on special events in which he had been involved over the past twenty years. It seemed a long time ago when he attended his first event at the Millenium Camp in Wimbledon Park in 2000. There had been many special events since then but among the Group and District Camps highlights had to be Eurojam in Hylands Park in 2005, the World Jamboree in 2007 and the 22<sup>nd</sup> 90<sup>th</sup> birthday weekend.

The GSL said what a pleasure it had been watching the development of the young people through the sections and often into leadership roles. To those leaders who had been with him for all of the last 20 years he wanted to pay particular thanks for their friendship and generosity of time and effort. In conclusion, as this was the last time, he would present the report he wanted to say thank you to his wife Avril and his two daughters Jennie and Elizabeth for their support and encouragement over the years.

On behalf of the Executive Committee, he commended the report to the meeting which was noted.

## **Appointments and elections for 2020/21**

6. To notify the Group of the appointment of the new Group Scout Leader

The Chairman informed the AGM that Graham Fairclough would be taking over the role of GSL from this point in the meeting. She thanked the outgoing GSL for his contribution to the Group over the past 20 years and hoped he would continue to support the Group in other ways. Graham was welcomed by the meeting.

7. **Appointment of Independent Examiner 2020/21**

The Treasurer and Chairman, nominated Derek Holmes. Agreed

8. **To approve the GSL nomination of the Group Chairman 2020/21**

The new GSL nominated Ann Fellowes. Approved.

9. **Election of Group Secretary 2020/21**

Dan Fellowes and Sally Pusey nominated Alan Maloney. Agreed.

10. **Election of Treasurer 2020/21**

Tim Kerridge and Malcolm Beaton nominated Andrew Pearson. Agreed.

11. **To approve the GSL nomination of members of the Executive Committee 2020/21**

The GSL nominated Helen Sheffield and Wayne Douglas. Approved.

12. **To elect other members of the Group executive Committee 2020/21**

A discussion took place amongst AGM participants. The following were elected: Annie Gleeson, Fiona Segasby, Sally Pusey, Nicola Tracey-Grant, Malcolm Beaton, Rory Travers -Drapes

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The meeting recorded its thanks to Adam Tinwell and Jessica Reid (who had not indicated their willingness to stand for re-election) for their service to the Group as members of the Executive. New Executive Committee were welcomed.

## 13. Appointment of section leaders to the Group Executive Committee 2020/21

Graham Fairclough, Dominic Moore, Oliver Foster (until 24 July 2020), Oliver Pusey (from 24th July 2020) were appointed

## 14. Co-option of Explorer Scout Leader to the Group Executive Committee 202/21

Daniel Fellowes was co-opted.

## 15. Other business

A brief discussion took place about the proposed “traffic light” system of alert for the return of face-to-face scouting. The GSL said he and the Executive would be monitoring the instructions coming down from scout HQ very carefully.

## 16. Owen Purcell, Assistant District Commissioner (Beavers)

Owen thanked the Group for its invitation to the meeting and to say a few words. He had been specifically asked to say on behalf of the District Commissioner how sorry she was not to be able to join the meeting for reasons of work but wished the Group well. He also thanked Alan Maloney for his contribution to the Group and District over 20 years and was pleased to see he would continue with his training role and new Group role.

Owen noted that the Group played a major role at District level and partook of many of the opportunities arranged through the District. It was noticeable that 22<sup>nd</sup> leaders and others were often working behind the scenes to support events even when they not partaking themselves. Over and above their Section roles leaders also were also involved in training of adults across the District, in communications and holding posts at District level in all Sections. He particularly congratulated Graham Fairclough on being awarded the Commissioner’s Commendation Award for the work he had undertaken in bringing Zoom and the Scout Association together for the benefit of the membership. He congratulated the Group for all it was doing and wished it well for the future.

**There being no further business the AGM concluded at 9.05pm**

# Trustees

## Trustees: (as of 31 March 2021)

Group Chairman	Ann Fellowes
Group Secretary	Adam Tinwell (to June 2020)
Group Secretary	Alan Maloney (from June 2020)
Group Treasurer	Andrew Pearson

## Trustees: Ex officio:

Group Scout Leader	Alan Maloney (to June 2020)
Group Scout Leader	Graham Fairclough (from June 2020)
Beaver Scout Leader	Dominic Moore
Cub Scout Leader	Graham Fairclough
Scout Leader	Oliver Foster (to September 2020)
Scout Leader	Oliver Pusey (from September 2020)

## Trustees: Elected:

Malcolm Beaton  
Nicola Tracey-Grant  
Sally Pusey  
Fiona Segasby  
Rory Travers-Drapes  
Annie Gleeson

## Trustees: Nominated:

Helen Sheffield, Wayne Douglas

## Trustees: Co-opted:

Dan Fellowes (West Barnes Explorer Scout Leader)

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## Bankers:

Lloyds TSB PLC, London Road, East Grinstead, RH19 1AH

## Custodian Trustee:

The Scout Trust Corporation Ltd

## Independent Examiner:

Derek Holmes

## Scout Association Registration No.:

6076

## Charity Registration Number:

303795

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

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

The accounts have been drawn up on a receipts and payments basis.

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Signed on behalf of the Executive Committee:

Ann Fellowes  
Chairman

Andrew Pearson  
Treasurer



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Group Finances



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# Group Assets

	2020/21	2019/20
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Lloyds Bank Current Account	18743	10985
HSBC 3 Month Fixed	101129	100773
HSBC /Lloyds Bank Deposit Account	28071	27331
HSBC Bank Building Fund	0	8989
Lloyds Deposit Account	27241	17277
Treasurer cash in hand	741	1416
Sub Total	<u>175925</u>	<u>166771</u>
Beavers Bank Account	1385	1615
Byron Pack Bank Account	5280	6013
Scout Troop	3334	2734
Sub Total	<u>9999</u>	<u>10362</u>
Total	<u>185924</u>	<u>177133</u>
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Garages at Cost	50500	50500
Depreciation	-24250	-23750
Net Book Value	<u>26250</u>	<u>26750</u>
Total	<u>212174</u>	<u>203883</u>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Garage Deposits	<u>375</u>	<u>375</u>
Total liabilities	<u>375</u>	<u>375</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>211799</u>	<u>203508</u>

# Group Payments

Budget 21/22 £	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
<u>Grant Payments</u>		
Merton BC	602	0
London Comm	914	0
Wates	500	
Total	<u>2016</u>	
<u>Headquarters Costs</u>		
100 Water Charges	55	98
2500 Light & Heat	2343	2565
3000 Insurance	2862	0
2000 Hall Expenses	1745	1770
3000 Hall Maintenance	1495	1495
0 Toilets	49554	
15000 Kitchen	550	
0 Containers	6894	314
0 Chair replacement	3252	
200 Website/OSM	174	149
50 Garage Expenses	25	11
25850 Total	<u>68949</u>	<u>6402</u>
3500 Membership Fees	3392	3591
Explorers	544	
<u>Scouting Activities</u>		
20000 Section Activities	1898	4723
Camps and Outings	975	13427
500 Leaders Uniform		23
500 Leaders Training	12	0
21000 Total	<u>2885</u>	<u>18173</u>
<u>Fund Raising expenses</u>		
50 Group AGM	0	64
0 Socials	0	158
2000 Firework night	0	1065
2050 Total	<u>0</u>	<u>1287</u>
<u>2000</u> Camp/Activity Van Hire	0	1718
1000 Miscellaneous(Inc stationery)	67	192
Uniform	182	1612
Tomahawk Throwing	0	700
1500 Equipment	118	2628
Tomahawk Equip(Wim F. )	0	495
0 Jack Petchey Award	0	490
2500 Total	<u>367</u>	<u>6117</u>
<u>55500</u> Total Payments	<u>78153</u>	<u>37288</u>

# Group Receipts

Budget 2021/22 £			2020/21	2019/20
10000	Membership Subscriptions		7756	10468
2000	Gift Aid 2017/2018	18/19/20	4365	0
<u>12000</u>	Total		<u>12121</u>	<u>10468</u>
10000	HQ Rents		405	12585
10000	Garage Rents		9475	9580
0	Hall Chair Sale		690	0
<u>20000</u>	Total		<u>10570</u>	<u>22165</u>
500	Donations	(Trefoil)	100	75
750	Bank Interest		740	825
	HSBC Compensation		100	
<u>1250</u>	Total		<u>940</u>	<u>900</u>
15000	Section Camps/Activities		2066	14962
	<u>Fund Raising</u>			
3000	Firework Night		0	3139
1000	Equipment		0	50
0	Tomahawk training		0	810
0	Socials		0	1591
0	Rank		1500	0
0	RHF		1000	0
0	Aviva		0	1000
0	Merton BC		40743	0
0	CO -OP Trust		1926	96
0	Wimbledon Foundation		0	500
0	National Lottery-Kitchen		10000	10000
0	National Lottery- Chairs		2495	0
0	London Comm		1000	0
0	Wates		500	
0	Just Giving		634	
0	Bell		617	0
<u>4000</u>	Total		<u>60415</u>	<u>17186</u>
1500	Uniform Sales		230	768
200	Scout shop		181	194
0	Misc		171	0
0	Jack Petchey Award		250	250
<u>1700</u>	Total		<u>832</u>	<u>1212</u>
<u>53950</u>	Total Receipts		<u>86944</u>	<u>66125</u>

# Section Accounts

	Beavers	Byron Pack	Scout Troop	
Cash in Bank 31.03.2020	1615	6013	2734	10362
<b>Receipts</b>				
Subscriptions	2210	2332	1900	6442
Scarves/T Shirts/Uniform	45	149		194
Interest		2		2
Donations				
Camp & Outings fees	215	1095	756	2066
Miscellaneous	15	0		15
Total	2485	3578	2656	8719
<b>Payments</b>				
Badges and equipment		114		114
Uniform	259	153	21	433
Activities	606	762	530	1898
Camps and outings		975		975
Contributions to HQ costs	1745	2270	1505	5520
Stationery		37		37
Miscellaneous	105			105
Total	2715	4311	2056	9082
Net	230	-733	600	363
Cash in Bank 31.03.2021	1385	5280	3334	9999

# Independant Examiners Report

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

22<sup>nd</sup> WIMBLEDON SCOUT GROUP

I report on the accounts of the Group/District/County/Area for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2021

which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages 1-3

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, 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*

Name: Derek Holmes

Qualification: F.C.A

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Date: 14 April 2021



# We'd like to say **Thank You**

The 22nd Wimbledon Scout Group wishes to record it's thanks to the following for everything that they have done over the past year to help the Group to flourish.

The entire section leadership teams for their enthusiasm and commitment to the young people and for their innovative programmes put together each week during the coronavirus pandemic.

The Group Executive Committee for their continued support throughout the year, especially to Andrew Pearson, Group Treasurer for everything that he does looking after the group finances, including the garage rentals.

Special thanks are also recorded to Joan Pearson (Hall Bookings Manager), to Oliver Pusey (Webmaster) and Vici Hoban, (emergency HQ key holder) for their vital work in support of the Group.

Thanks to Graham Fairclough for his hard work during lockdown to keep the HQ looking it's best... co-ordination of garage removal and new containers, sanding and revarnishing the HQ floor, repainting the Jubilee Building and office, replacing the CCTV system, keeping the grass trimmed and for his work with the toilet and kitchen refurbishment projects.

Thankyou to our project manager, Declan Gleeson for everything that he has done with the refurbishment projects.

The Wimbledon and Wandle District Team and the GLSW County Support and Training Teams for their advice and support during the year.

We acknowledge all those individual members who have made contributions towards our kitchen project and to the following companies for their grant donations over the past year which has raised over £20,000, obtained by Graham, towards various projects... The National Lottery, The Robert Hall Foundation, The Leslie Sell Charitable Trust, The Co-Op Community Fund, Rank Foundation, The London Community Fund, Merton Council and The Jack Petchey Foundation.

Also, thank you to Jessica Reid who was successful in obtaining a donation from her employer, Wates, which paid for a new marquee for use on the field for our face-to-face meetings.

....finally, to the parents and their young people themselves who make Scouting so enjoyable!

**‘Two things matter in life:  
following your dreams and  
looking after your friends.  
This is what I love about  
Scouting. It’s about doing  
great things, loving and  
enjoying the great  
adventures and helping  
others to do the same’**

**Bear Grylls, Chief Scout**

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