

Chairman's Report 2011 - 2012

Welcome; I have a lot to say for my first report but you'll be glad to hear that I intend to keep to the point.

The Group Exec is responsible for the fund raising programme. Last year we dropped the jumble sales. Despite being one of our longest-running and top fund-raisers, due to lack of interest from the parent body, their organisation had become too dependent on a small number of overworked people. This, together with the loss of income from the Irby Club Draw in the previous year, meant that we had a rather large hole to fill in terms of fund-raising. However, we have initiated some new events which we intend to run on a regular basis such as which this year has comprised the games night (a new event ably organised by Alan Parr and his team), the firework night, the clothes collection and the sponsored coastal walk to supplement the on-going events of the Christmas post, the Christmas & Easter fairs, the 100 club and Easyfundraising/Easysearch. If anyone has any other ideas then please discuss them with us.

The income from these events allow us to keep the cost of the subscriptions lower than is required to cover our running costs and you'll be pleased to hear that we are proposing subs remain static for next year.

This year we have invested in a CCTV camera along with the Village Hall for added security, and enjoyed celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee with Keepsakes for the Group members. Materials have been purchased for a new shelter for the mini bus that we worked so hard last year to purchase.

Our new fundraising activities will be to fund an overhaul of the heating system and internal redecoration of the scout hut and washroom facilities.

Moving outside, we have wonderful grounds but they need a great deal of time and effort to maintain. Thanks to Andy Costall, Jon Oliver, Dave Reed and all those who have helped at the work days we have had this year - many hands make light work and as the scouts have cottoned on - Akela is very generous with chips for lunch for the helpers!

While mentioning outside I'll briefly thank you all for your continued cooperation shown over the access issues to the site.

Thanks go again to Dave Reed for maintaining the group website - please take a look as the Archives and photo gallery are superb. Thanks to Matty Jones for Facebook and twitter feeds - beyond me I'm afraid.

Next year is our 80th Anniversary and we will be looking for further support in our fundraising activities - see any of us later with your ideas, or better still join the exec!

For now. I'll pass you to Jayne for her Treasurers Report.

Fiona Hurley – Group Chair

Group Scout Leader Report 2012

This year as always there is much to report and even more to say thank you for. I am going to begin by thanking some people – it may take a while !

We are fortunate to have a very committed team who come here each and every week to run our Sections and also those who are flexible volunteers (like the Duchess of Cambridge !) who come when they can, it works well and supplements the team.

In Ismay Colony I would like to welcome our newest leader Helen B. Emily H has come back to us after her maternity leave and recent birth of her daughter and Kath C who has moved from helping in Scouts to Ismay Colony. Pam K continues to help us when she can and we are assisted by Lucy and James our Young Leaders each week. We were sorry to say goodbye to Cath Corby who decided to leave us for personal and family reasons, Cath was instrumental in the start-up of Ismay Colony and for that we will always be grateful.

In Thor Colony we have the continuing support of Jayne O, Ellie BK and Sue L who helps us when she can, we welcome Lisa B and Helen W to the team, this year we have been helped out each week by Billy B and Adam L who are completing their D of E service.

At Cubs with numbers growing to well above 40 we decided to split the Pack and create a new one, now known as Reed Pack. We split the Leader team as well, I currently do both nights, Deb and Matty assist in Fletcher pack with Bethan our Young Leader and on Wednesday in Reed pack Jon and Paul and to help us get started Catherine Carroll and Young Leader Nathan. Sadly Catherine has had to step down as her career develops and she takes on a new job as a Deputy Headteacher, we wish her well. Zach H has been helping us out whilst doing his D of E service.

Matty has recently turned 18 and becomes our first home grown Leader – he joined us at 8 as a Cub and now has taken a Warrant as a Cub Scout Leader, congratulations on your appointment and welcome to the adult Leader team.

In Scouts Andy is now ably assisted each week by Alan, Julie continues to help when she can and keeps up the Scout records, Keith has emigrated temporarily to Canada to spend some quality years with his new Grandson, but will visit us when he comes home from time to time. Jess J continues to assist us as a Young Leader in Scouts when her social life will allow it !! We have a team of committed Dads who help us on a weekly rota and at camps etc. our thanks to them Chris H, Steve W, Steve B, Peter F and Dave C.

On the Executive we have to thank the following for their support – Mike C and Chris C have decided to stand down after their term on the Exec Committee, Jane F and Vicky Mc

have agreed to continue on Exec, so we are in need of new Parent reps from each Section please.

I would like to thank Fiona H and Jayne B who have both agreed to continue in their current positions on the Exec as Chair and Treasurer respectively and Liz Hughes for taking on the role as Secretary. Jayne B has worked particularly hard to rationalise the accounts and bring them into the 21st Century – thanks. Jayne has said she will serve for another year but needs someone to shadow her and take over next summer and Liz is standing down as Secretary as she wants to take a Warrant as Assistant Cub Leader in September.

I would like to thank personally and on behalf of the Group Dave and Marjorie, the elder statesmen of our Group, they are always there quietly in the background, advising, guiding and helping and supporting. Dave maintains our website an amazing facility for the Group, a place to keep all our great memories and history – thank you both.

I would also like to thank Vicky Mc for applying and successfully receiving a U volunteer grant from her work at Yorkshire Bank and Kath Callaghan takes part in a similar scheme at Unilever. Keith our ex pat Scout Leader has also donated a considerable sum towards the heating / electrics overhaul.

Now a quick précis of each month and the activities we have undertaken as a Group – so you can marvel at all that we do !

July 2011 – our first games night, Canoe taster for the Cubs, but for Scouts unfortunately blown off due to rapidly deteriorating weather. We held planning meetings for both the summer camp and QCW.

Aug 2011 – summer camp a joint effort with 4th M at Great Towers in the Lakes, 60 + kids from both Groups a fantastic camp.

Sept 11 – Group Exec meeting, District Beaver Sleepover at our HQ and QCW District Cub Camp

Oct 11 – Beavan Scout Camp – auditions for Gang Show, 2 Cubs, 1 Scout, 2Ys and 1 Leader were successful, Cubs District outing to Greenwood Centre in Wales, 3 Leaders attended First Aid training, Hilbre Scout Group camped at our HQ, and we had a work day on the house and grounds.

Nov 11 – Reed Pack opened, Cubs had a Halloween party, Xmas post distribution night, Bonfire night, Beaver craft day, Remembrance day service, Chief Scout Awards ceremony in Liverpool for all Sections and the Cubs Children in Need Splash fund raiser. Tesco Xmas post stamps sales begin, 2 more Leaders attend First Aid, 3 attend Getting Started and not forgetting the Xmas Fair.

Dec 11 - Scout Post, Village stamp sales, sorting begins and 2 weekends of deliveries , all the Section meetings in Dec are held elsewhere due to the Scout Post, all attended their

District Carol Services, Cubs went bowling as did the Scouts, who also had a night hike.

Jan 12 – Group Exec meeting, all Sections return after the holiday break, all Section Leaders had District meetings and a first planning meeting was held for summer camp. Cubs took part in the District 5 a side competition.

Feb 12 – Cubs visited Spaceport, we had a Hadlow camp planning meeting, Scout Post presentation evening, GSL meeting and Census, Leaders attended Nights Away training, the Scouts took part in the District Orienteering and had an overnight camp at HQ. All Sections completed CPR training, Cubs took part in the District Swim Gala and the Group Exec and Leaders had their Christmas Night out.

Mar 12 – First Xmas Post meeting of the year ! Cubs went to Deiniolen, Scouts to the Great Escape, and Lord Derby Skills competition, we all went to the Gang Show, 2nd G camped at our hut, Exec meeting, Cubs attended Chester Zoo and the Poster Competition Final, we had a farewell drink for Keith and his wife – not forgetting the Easter Fair.

April 12 – St George's Day parade all Sections, District CSL meeting, work day at the hut, Gang show had their party at the hut, Cubs canoe taster day blown / rained off ! Hadlow camp prep meeting.

May 12 – Group Camp biggest ever 63 kids and 11 adults, Scout went to Bala, Cubs had Skills day competition. District

Scout Leaders meeting, Cubs cycle ride was washed out !
Beavers attended a sleepover camp at Hadlow, Cubs District
Cub camp at Hadlow and some did the Coastal walk.

June 12 – Big Lunch celebration, Signed the Xmas Post
commitment forms, GSL meeting, 2 Leaders attended First
Aid training and Cubs and Beavers attended Wingding County
Camp.

Well I am exhausted telling you all about it – as you can see
we are busy, we are successful and now officially the biggest
Scout Group in West Wirral, thank you and well done to
everyone involved.



Ismay Beaver Colony AGM Report 2011 / 12

Ismay Colony now consists of 18 Beavers, 4 Leaders and 2 Young Leaders, what a busy year we have had! Unfortunately Cath Corby has left Ismay due to personal and family commitments, she is greatly missed. Therefore, we have created a new team, Kath Callaghan, Emily Hilton who has returned after the birth of her beautiful daughter, Pam Knight helps us when she can and myself Helen Bevan. We are also ably assisted by 2 Explorer Young Leaders each week Lucy Churchill and James Barnes.

Bonfire night went off with a bang of success, thank you to all our Leaders and helpers, as we all know this is a wonderful Fund Raiser for the Group. The Beavers have been very creative this year, marking a number of memorable occasions - for example we have made Poppies for Remembrance day, Christmas decorations and biscuits to then be sold at our Fair (another amazing event), Valentine cards for their beloveds, some very beautiful plant pots for Mother's day (of which mine still has pride of place in the kitchen) and of course not to forget our wonderful celebrations of the Queens Diamond Jubilee. The Beavers made some amazing badges, crowns and bunting for the brilliant weekend which involved a BIG LUNCH at the hut organised by Jayne Barnes and enjoyed by all.

The Beavers have had some outings, the Potting shed was very colourful and we ought to form a bowling team as we have some talent in that area.

Then there's the camping, Group camp was amazing, this being my first camp, what organisation I take my hat off to all of the Leaders involved in the planning etc. Those Beavers who attended really enjoyed themselves, the daytime packed with activities - catapult making, making dough twists and cooking them over a fire (a lot of jam used there!) pouring water through drainpipes without spilling a drop ha ha ha! and not forgetting the wonderful campfire and beautiful singing. On the Sunday we enjoyed a visit to the Transport museum with a great ride on the tram.

We have just returned from Wingding (which should be re named MUDING !!), I cannot possibly mention all the activities as there were so many, but included an Aerial runway / Zipwire, Water Zorbing, Tug of War, Archery to name a few but I think one of the best being Bell Boating! . The weather conditions were bad but it didn't stop play, everyone had a wonderful time including the Leaders.

Lots and lot of badges have been presented to the Beavers this year, with Miles Khader Lindon receiving his Chief Scout Bronze award well done Miles. We have covered a lot of activities this term including healthy eating, First aid, safety in the home, Chinese New Year, Easter biscuits, laying a trail and fire lighting.

There are still to camps to be had in August and possibly September, fingers crossed for good weather ☺

I would like to close by expressing my thanks to all the Leaders and helpers within the Group they have made me feel so welcome at 1st Thurstaston, including the Beavers.

As for Sue Flush, well what would we do without her - thanks Sue.

Yours in Scouting

Helen Bevan ABSL



Thor Beaver Colony report 2011/12

It is that time of year again. Thor Colony have had yet another busy year with a Minibeast hunt, tent pitching & fire lighting, we had an Irby Village survey, a treasure hunt walk through Harrock Wood and surrounding area a few weeks we made 4 different nature collages of what we found on the walk. We have had our annual Sandcastle competition at Caldby beach and have had a water challenge night comprising of many wet challenges with food to finish the evening this was our last night before the Summer break. When we returned in September the Beavers planted bulbs and plants in the Beaver garden. Paul Beattie came and gave a talk about Fossils and brought some samples of rocks to show us, this was a fascinating evening, we have made Grass heads some of the Beavers brought theirs back a few weeks later so we could see how they had grown. The Beavers have learnt about Foods that are good for you and made Fruit smoothies, enjoyed by most but not all. We have had a visit from Diane a local Hygienist who came to give a talk to the Beavers about how you should look after your teeth. She brought with her two puppets, one called 'Smiler' who ate the healthy foods brushed his teeth and the other called 'Stinky' who ate all the wrong foods and did not look after his teeth. The Beavers loved the puppets and were fascinated by the examples of bad teeth. They all received a sample of toothpaste and a sticker at the end of the night. The Beavers have joined in with the Group firework party. We attended the Remembrance service at St Bartholomew's church Thurstaston. The Beavers made a variety of craft items for the Group Christmas fair. We have had our annual visits to the Potting Shed and Bromborough Bowl. We have talked about New Year resolutions and why you make them. We have had a talk from Axel Foley one of the Cub parents who is an Airline Pilot, he brought a model of a plane to show the different ways in which a plane can move. Axel also brought photos of different aircraft. The Beavers never stopped asking questions. Axel said he was impressed by some of the questions being asked. This was a very interesting night. We had another interesting night when Alison Guy, a Beaver parent who is an Airline Stewardess talked to the Beavers about what she does. Both Axel and Alison came in their uniforms. She brought some pictures of the different planes that she has flown in and told the Beavers the countries that she travels to, this forms part of the Air activity badge. We celebrated Chinese New Year, 2012 is the year of the Dragon. Each Beaver made their own moving Dragon and some also coloured in a picture of a Dragon. They also had a Chinese meal of Chicken noodles and Prawn crackers. The Beavers made their own Lent diaries, listing what luxury each Beaver was going to give up per week for the next three weeks. This went towards the promise challenge. They also made scotch Pancakes. The University trainee doctors came in to talk to the Beavers about what to do in an emergency, and showed how to perform C.P.R. using a Little Anne manikin to practise on. The doctors had them practising the recovery Position as well. During April we visited St Bartholomew's Church, the Beaver split into two groups, with one group in the Church whilst the other group climbed up to the ringing chamber, the Beavers enjoyed ringing the bells and most even climbed to the very top of the tower to see the bells. In the Church they had a sheet of paper with things to find in the Church. Reverend Jane showed them the 4 different outfits that she wears for the different services. It was a very interesting night. A few weeks later we visited Bromborough Police station, this was very interesting. Sergeant Hanner and Pete the P.C.S.O. showed the boys around, they each had their photo taken with the clapper board, on the board was their name and the offence that they had committed. They had their finger prints taken, were shown round the cells and were told that the cells are no longer used. We then went outside and were shown the Police car and of course they had to have a blast on the siren and the flashing lights, they were then shown the C.C.T.V. van and they loved sitting in the cage at the back. We had a group photo taken by the van. Recently the Beavers have taken part in the following packing healthy lunch boxes and making Popcorn, Laying trails using tracking signs, the Beavers have designed their own Diamond Jubilee Crowns and badges. Some Beavers attended the Group Jubilee lunch. The Beavers have taken part in the two District Beaver camps and most recently the County 'Wingding' at Tawd Vale, very enjoyable despite the weather.

I would like to thank my leaders and parent helpers for their invaluable help throughout the year. I would also like to thank Billy and Adam for their help whilst taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme.

Well, the big question here is where do I start? This year has been an incredible year for the Cubs Section at 1st Thurstaston... So here I go!

In July we all took part in completing our fitness challenge and for those who had that, the outdoor plus challenge with both comprising of; sit-ups, running, skipping, fire lighting, tent pitching and much more. We then went on our favourite compass walk around Thurstaston beach where the Cubs get a compass and directions and need to use both properly to find their way to the end of the trail! Then it was our first annual group games night which I think speaking on behalf of everyone in the group... we enjoyed it (if you didn't come last year make sure you don't miss this years!) we had 5-a-side, tug-o-war, golf putting, table tennis and 10-pin bowling, as well as the BBQ and bar! We ended the year with a canoe taster session and crabbing at West Kirby!

August came around and we all know what this means... Summer Camp! This year (like last) joint with 4th Moreton at Great Towers in the Lake District. The Cubs stayed for a full week and had an amazing time. We did loads of activities and here is just a few for you to sample; day trip on the boat to Ambleside, telegraph pole climbing, canoeing, sea zoo visit, pond dipping and loads more... can't wait for this years!

Back to Cubs in September, the start of a new year. We welcomed lots of Cubs moving up from Beavers and coming new into the group... we started with a games night which allowed everyone to get to know each other and the leaders! Then we started on the Promise Challenge which was followed by our annual district camp to QCW (where we retained our title of Cub Tug-o-War Champions for the third year running!). Then we went on what is probably our favourite activity our Night hike (which this year was the first where it wasn't dark) around Parkgate and the Wirral way we finished with chips from the chippy... lovely!

We started October with the Global Challenge looking at different countries and their flags... amazing how good geography is taught these days (think the leaders learnt some new ones!), and we also did the astronomer badge with many thanks to Chris Collins for coming along to help us! In between our two weeks of astronomy we had a district visit to the Greenwood centre and once again had a Brill time. However October was a massive month for both the Cub section and the Scout group as a whole as we split the section in two and opened our Second Cub pack! We now have Fletcher Pack on a Monday and Reed Pack on a Wednesday! For now both packs are following the same programme until the leader teams are well established. With our last meeting together as one pack a Halloween party... trying to eat doughnuts off string and get apples out of a bucket of water!

In November we had a good turnout for the Remembrance day service at St Barts, but there could always be more of us so please this year try and make the effort to turn out... this is one of two parades we do per year! Then we wrapped several boxes filled with goodies for Operation Christmas Child and watched a short DVD to see where they go and what the children who receive the boxes think. We went to the annual children in need splash at Europa Pools and raised loads of money for Children in Need and the people that had achieved their Chief Scout Silver award attended the county ceremony to receive that – Well Done to you all! This is the top award in Cubs and we are delighted to see that more and more people are receiving this award earlier into their time with us! We finished November with our Christmas Fair and a trip to Bromborough police station where several Cubs got locked away! December came along and both packs attended the district Christmas carol concert and we went out for our last night bowling (the two packs together) and all had a wonderful time!

2012... January came along very quickly (sure it wasn't three weeks!) and we got straight into Home safety. We had a look at how to keep ourselves safe in and around the home environment, and we all

completed a booklet with crosswords and puzzles in! Then we had our 5-a-side football tournament... With Reed pack coming Third in the district – well done to them and everyone from Fletcher pack that played... you did us all proud!

We started February with a trip to Spaceport and this finished our astronomy badge. We also went for a round trip on the ferry! We finished our home safety badge by making a home safety poster for the district poster competition. We also had a visit from Student doctors to teach us how to do CPR, this went towards achieving L2 Emergency aid badge! And finished the month with the district swimming gala (Well Done to everyone who took part) .

We started March with the Green Cross code and we walked up to Thingwall Rd and practised crossing the road! We also went to the Old School Lodge in Deiniolen, we had an action packed weekend and visited RSPB Conway and went into all the hides and went pond dipping to have a closer look at all the insects in the pond that the birds like to eat, it was truly fascinating! To round off March we made Mother's day smelly hearts to hang in your wardrobes (hope they're all still there!) and Easter cakes. Then we went for a trip to Chester Zoo with West Wirral District Cubs!

We had a fairly short April mostly taken up by the Easter Hols and the Gang Show (best Gang Show we've ever seen... if you missed it make sure you get to the next one... and in the meantime come and see our theatre group performance!) Well done to everyone from our group who took part in this! We also had our Easter Fair which again was well attended! We also practiced some of our Cub skills like map reading, knots, fire lighting, tent pitching and first aid ready for the annual cub skills competition, again a massive well done to everyone who took part in this! We then had our Group camp with a good turn out from Cubs... but if you didn't come you missed out on a really good camp, not going to talk too much about this because I'm sure other section leaders or the GSL will mention it!

May, and we invited in the British Red Cross to come along for two weeks and do some first aid with us, we covered emergency aid 1,2 and 3 (if you came to both weeks and the CRP earlier in the year). It was really good to see everyone achieving this life saving badge. We went on our cub camp to Hadlow fields and had a brilliant time... even had a street (field) party! And to finish it off we went tracking and shelter building in Royden Park woods!

In June we have just started our Fitness challenge and have gone on the County camp (Wingding) to Tawd Vale! Unfortunately I can't write any more as we haven't gone yet, although by the time you read this we will have gone!

So all in all we have had an exciting, action packed, fun filled year in the Cub Section. Im going to apologise now for the length of this report... but honestly I couldn't get it any shorter!

I would like to take this time to officially thank all of the Cubs leader team as we couldn't do it without all your selfless dedication to the group and our Cubs. Thank you; Sue, Debbie, Jon, Paul and Catherine. And our Young Leaders of course. Not to mention all of the Cubs themselves as they have been a pleasure this year... and I hope they have enjoyed themselves.

Matthew Jones – Cub Scout Leader



1st Thurstaston 'Richardson Troop' Scouts 2011/2012 AGM Report

July 2011

Our last meeting of the term and after months of pestering from the scouts I gave in and allowed them to hold a rematch of the water fight. It was meant to be amongst themselves but inevitably both Alan and I also ended up completely soaked by the end of the evening.

August

The second week in August saw 11 Scouts from 1st Thurstaston attend the "Summer Camp" at Great Towers in the Lake District. We stayed in dormitory accommodation with Cubs, Scouts and Explorers from our group as well as 4th Moreton. For more details there are links on our Website to Sue's blog and photographs.

September

Started back in September with a games night during which we reviewed the Scout's records and gave out badges that were owed. We spent the rest of the month preparing for the Geoffrey Beavan Competition at Sandiways Campsite.

October

The first weekend of October 12 scouts joined the 4th Moreton at the Beavan competition. Alan Parr, Keith Quayle and Chris Hurley also attended to help us out. The event was carried out over two days and included hiking, canoeing, low ropes, first aid, camp challenge and shooting. Given this was our first time in a while we placed well in events such as First Aid and Low Ropes.

The remainder of the month we concentrated on Creative challenge and did work on both drama and problem solving. We also took part in the District Orienteering Competition.

November

We started the month on Friday 4th by attending the Firework Party instead of our usual troop evening. As well as the fireworks display there were refreshments, raffle and glow sticks that were very popular.

We had 9 Scouts turn out for the Remembrance service at St Barts in Thurstaston. During November we also visited Europa pools, had a wide game on Thurstaston Common, a new Game Night and took part in Orienteering Practice. The following Scouts were also awarded the Chief Scouts Gold Awards - congratulations are due to these Scouts for achieving this top award whilst in the Troop and well before any of them were due to Move up into Explorers.

Will Flush
Carrick Hurley
John Fieldhouse
Nathan Harrison Clarke
Oliver Courtney
Jamie Parr

December

We attended the Scouts District Christmas service at the beginning of the month. We also had our Annual Night hike in the local area and a Laser Quest Party in New Brighton. We used the money we had received the previous year for the Blackwood trophy to subsidise the cost.

January 2012

We started the Year with a blind fold trail around the HQ grounds and then spent the remainder of the month concentrating on First Aid.

February

We did more First Aid in February and Map and Compass work. We finished the month with an incident hike involving making a stretcher to move a patient.

March

We entered the Bowling Competition in March and also entered the Lord Derby Competition which tested the Scouts traditional skills.

We spent most of March preparing for the Great Escape Camp at the end of the month. A total of 15 boys from the Troop took part in this year's Great Escape at the Tawd Vale Camp site. This is a Scout competition over 2 days, with the boys taking part in a variety of challenges. Some involved teamwork, some a little bit of mental agility, some tested their nerve and some just involved getting wet and muddy!

April

April was dominated by the Easter Holidays. We had a very good turnout of Scouts at the St George's Day parade.

May

After a much needed Easter holiday we took 14 Scouts away on to the Bala Canoeing Weekend. Alan Parr and Chris Hurley help over the weekend too. We took the Scouts out on a hike on the Saturday evening. For the rest of the month we concentrated on more traditional scouting skills.

June

Throughout June we have concentrated on traditional Scouting activities like fire lighting and axe work. A number of Scouts also helped at the Cubs and Beavers with backwoods cooking. Those scouts who hadn't yet completed their Fitness Challenge also worked on this.

Summary

As last year, the amount of activities we have been able to lay on is testament to the fantastic set-up that exists within the 1st Thurstaston Scout Group. Which includes a well organised and committed Exec Committee, excellent cooperation between all the Section Leader teams, addition parental help at camps and other events, fantastic facilities, a lot of help from many parent volunteers and of course the constant support of Sue, Alan, Keith and Julie.

Andy Costall - Scout Leader - June 2012



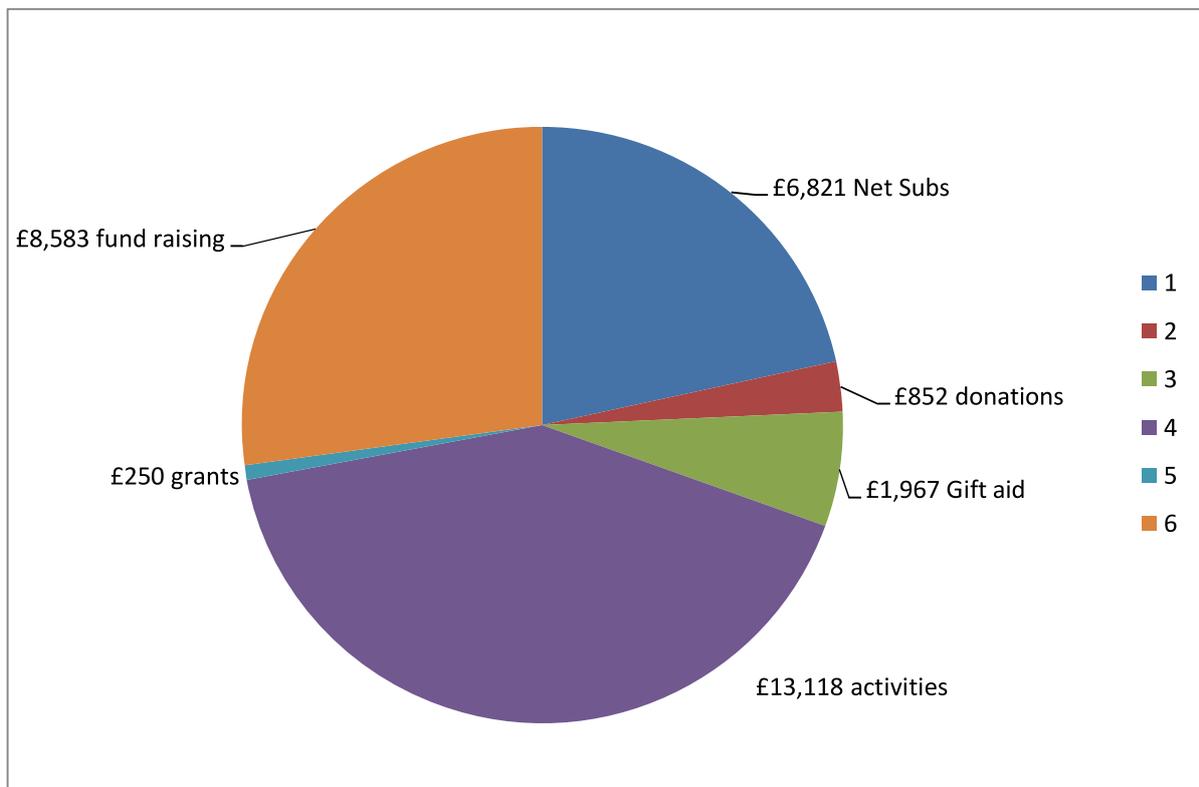
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Receipts

Once we have taken the charge of £3,305 for the District membership, the subscription income has increased by £543 from last year, to £6,821. Additionally we have claimed gift aid £1,967 and the income gained from activities is £13,118. The total income from donations we are reporting is £22,757.

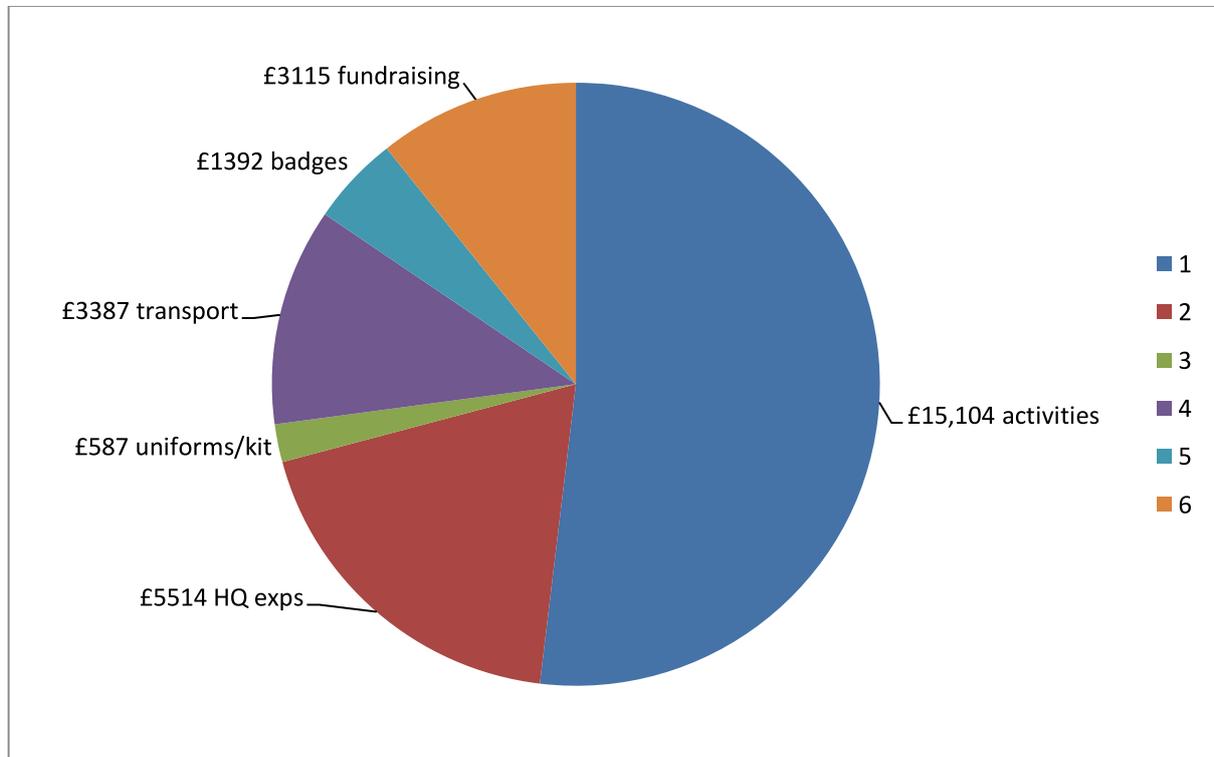
In addition we received the start up grant of £250 for the new beaver section “Ismay”, and have been able to generate £8583 in fund raising.

It becomes very apparent, as you can see from the figures, that over a quarter of the all income to the group is generated by the fund raising events, and we all appreciate the income this brings to the Group, and the efforts made by the Exec and leader teams



Payments

The charge to the accounts for the activities this year is £15,104, fundraising expenses for the year are £3,115, the other expenditure including utilities, maintenance and transport comes to £10,880.



To summarise we have a credit balance of £3,220, this is £838 more than we reported in the closing accounts for last year.

Due to the increased numbers within the Group we are proposing that the next years subs remain at £9 per month, and £36 for the term.

Financial Review

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 Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £10,000.

The Group holds reserves of approximately £25,000 against this at year end. This is above the level above required for operating expenses. However, this is explained by having a contingency reserve for the major building work required to the Head Quarters.

Ismay Beavers Awards

Best Camper Kyle Lunt

Best Manners Tom Agnew

Best New starter Ben Roberts

Best Helper Sam Bevan

Thor Beaver Awards

Beavers of the year :- Johnny Ayres

Beaver of the Month:- Jamie Edwards

Kind Beaver Sam Burkett

Lodge of the month Green

Richardson Troop Awards

Scout of the Year Josh Currall

Best Young Scout Will Brady

Leadership Awards - Will Flush, John Fieldhouse and Ollie Courtney

Reed Pack Cub Awards

Cub of the year - Mathew Callaghan

Sportsmanship - Adam Parr

Girls award - (holding their own) Missy Arthur, Skye Henning and Rachel Hunt

Most enthusiastic Cub - Paul Hunt

Fletcher Pack Cub Awards

Cubs of the Year - Sam Best and Sam Maxwell

Best new Cub - Alex Bevan

Leadership Skills - Jacob Foley

C/S Bronze Roll of Honour :- Sam Maxwell, John OToole, Henry Rudd, Sam Sutton Jeffs, Isaac Wright, Finley Newton, Joel Hobson, Joshua McCoy, Tobin Steele, Haydn Roberts, Jack Chesters and Johnny Ayres, Miles Khader Lindon, Kyle Lunt, Matthew Baker, Tom Callaghan, Alastair Carswell, Tom Taylor, Jack Blanshard, Harry Moore, Sammy T,

C/S Silver Roll of Honour :- Lucas H, Will B, Matt Call, Callum OT, Adam P, Tom Q, Matt McG, Missy A, Paul H , George R, Joe C, Sean C, Sam Best, David Burdon, James C, Will Fennah, Jacob Foley, Jack Shaw

C/S Gold - Roll of Honour :- Will Flush, Ollie Courtney, John Fieldhouse, Nathan Harrison Clarke, Jamie Parr, Carrick Hurley