

21st June 2024



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Awards and Annual General Meeting

Friday 21st June 2024

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Matters arising & approval of 2023 AGM Minutes
4. Chairperson Report
5. Treasurer Report
6. Group Scout Leader Report
7. Beaver Leader Report & Awards
8. Cub Leader Report & Awards
9. Scout Leader Report & Awards
10. Confirmation of election of committee members
CHAIR
TREASURER
SECRETARY
Election of other members
11. Any Other Business
12. Close of meeting



2nd Cheshunt Scout Group

Annual General Meeting

Friday 16th June 2023

Present:

This year we held our meeting at the Hall, with approximately 70 Members attending including Laura Jolley (Secretary), Selina Norgrove (Chair), Debbie Fletcher (BSL), Jacky Smith (CSL), Andy Pereira (GSL & SL), Danny Dell (ASL), Derek De Silva (ABSL), Mark Roydhouse (ABSL), Bob Pym (ACSL), Mick Carr (ACSL), Richard Bristow (Committee member), Denise Bristow (Committee member), Val Greyson (ADC Beavers) and Dave Pullen (District Commissioner).

1. **Welcome:** Selina welcomed everyone to the meeting and was very pleased that so many people had arrived to take part on such a lovely evening.
2. **Apologies:** Graeme Brown (Treasurer), Katrina Dell (Committee member), Rachel Mansford (ACSL), Nathan Morris (ASL), Andie Carr, Lizi and Jack Medhurst.
3. **Matters arising and approval of 2022 AGM Minutes:** No matters were raised and the minutes were all approved.
4. **Chair Report:** A full report was included in the AGM pack which was also posted on Facebook.

Selina said she felt grateful to be part of the group and applauded the Leaders and their helpers for all the effort they have put in during the past year.

We are looking for more volunteers to join the committee. Meetings are held once a term and are crucial to the running of the group.

Selina is looking to stand down as Chair. Having been part of the committee for the past 13 years, Selina is looking to stand down as there are other aspects of her life she would like to concentrate on now. Selina would be happy to assist anyone who would be interested in taking over this role.

5. **Treasurers Report:** A full report was included in the AGM pack. It has been independently assessed and has been approved.

Selina spoke on behalf of Graeme.

The Group has remained stable throughout the last year. Any grants we have received since COVID have now stopped and we need to start looking at ways to raise funds for the Group.

Fundraising will need to be a priority going forward.

6. **Group Scout Leaders Report:** A full report was included in the AGM pack.

Andy welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the awards evening.

It has been a really busy year with Andy taking over the Group Scout Leader role at the beginning of the year from Richard. Andy expressed his thanks to Richard and Denise for their help with the transition into his new role. Richard and Denise will now be stepping down from the committee and away from the group.

7. Beaver Report and Awards: A full report was included in the AGM pack.

Debbie thanked her team; Derek, Mark, Laura, Uri and Georgina and the young leaders; Victoria, Jessica and Lexi.

Six Beavers have been awarded their Bronze Aware – Archie Marsh, Deaves Hamilton-Billings, Harry Harris, Emily Barrell, Theo Fitzjohn and Joshua Neyland-Kempster.

The Beaver of the year was award to Archie Marsh. Archie attends every session and takes part in the activities. He is kind and helpful and a good example to the new younger Beavers who have just joined.

8. Cub Report and Awards: A full report was included in the AGM pack.

Jacky expressed her thanks to all her team for all their efforts in the last year. Without them it would not be able to run. A big thanks for Andie and Sarah too who attend sessions and camps where they can and always help out behind the scenes.

The Sixes award went to the red patrol with 375 points. Joint 2nd place went to blue & green patrol with 363 points and 4th place went to the yellow patrol with 354 points.

The Leaders' Cub of the Year was awarded to Cameron. Cameron is helpful, friendly and resourceful and is a valued member of the section.

The Cubs Cub of the Year was awarded to Rose. Rose is always helpful and is a good support to those Beavers who are moving up into Cubs.

Silver Awards were presented by Dave Pullen to Lucy, Kara and Rebecca (who have all recently moved up to Scouts).

9. Scout Report: A full report was included in the AGM pack.

Andy started by saying thanks to everyone for coming and how nice it has been to see so many members of the Group.

Andy also thanked his Leaders; Nathan, Lizi, Danny and Titch for all their commitment and help throughout the last year.

The patrol award went to Bulldogs for gaining the most points this year. This patrol had good attendance, attitude and uniform each week. Each member of Bulldogs was presented with a medal.

The Leaders Scout of the Year Trophy was awarded to Angelo. This decision was

made by the Leaders as Angelo is helpful, polite, listens and gets involved each week.

The Scout's Scout of the Year Trophy was awarded to Toby. This decision was made by the Leaders as Toby is helpful, supportive and friendly to all in the section.

There were 3 Silver Awards given out by Paul Mills. These were to Toby, Daniel and Jakob.

10. Confirmation of Election of Committee Members:

CHAIR – Selina Norgrove nominated by Andy Pereira and approved by a show of hands. This is a temporary position until a replacement Chair has been appointed.

TREASURER – Graeme Brown nominated by Jacky Smith and approved by a show of hands.

SECRETARY – Laura Jolley nominated by Debbie Fletcher and approved by a show of hands.

Election of other Members – Katrina Dell, Karen De Silva, Derek De Silva, Mark Roydhouse, Andy Pereira, Pippa Townsend and Mark Bailey. All approved by a show of hands.

11. Any Other Business: Andy expressed a big thank you to Lisa for undertaking the admin for the group, Pippa for looking after all the hall bookings and to Bob for being Quartermaster.

Unfortunately, the St Georges day Parade did not take place this year so the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts all renewed their Promises.

Dave Pullen was pleased to be at the evening and handed out the following awards:

- National Award for 25 years' service to Julie Kavanagh. As Julie was not present, Richard accepted this on her behalf.
- Chief Scouts Length of Service 5 year award to Laura Jolley
- Wood Badge was awarded to Andy Pereira

12. Meeting was closed at 8:18pm

Chairperson Report



I am honoured to contribute the Chairperson's Report at the Annual General Meeting of the 2nd Cheshunt Scout Group. This past year has been no exception to previous years, with many positive, rewarding and exciting experiences for all involved at your local Scout Group, 2nd Cheshunt.

I have been associated with 2nd Cheshunt for just over one year now. The group is diverse, welcoming and professional in operation, yet in a calm, collected and relaxed manner. Each and every time that I attend the trustee meetings, I never fail to be impressed by the dedication of all involved. And that's not just those that participate in creating a safe and caring environment, this also includes parents / carers who tirelessly ensure that their family benefit from the efforts of all who choose to volunteer.

Being involved in the committee allows me, vividly, to be transported back to my (much !!) younger years and being a member of a Cub Scout group in the part of London that I grew up in. I have many fond memories of Monday evenings, those well-spent evenings taught me so many values... Participation in group work, attaining a level of self-discipline and building new measures of self-confidence, all when achieving the standards that were well set out and created for me. My first trip away from my family happened during that time as well, a cub camp on the Isle of Wight. This also stirs memories of many long days exploring new towns, local castles and some multi-coloured sand cliffs, not to mention the time-honoured evenings around the traditional campfire.

In recent years, I have chosen a career in the childcare sector, quite a change from the old desk job. I know only too well the challenges that society brings to our community. I always look at the strength of the Scouting Association and more specifically at the collegiality of 2nd Cheshunt. Behind the scenes, there remains a real passion to do the right thing. To offer all of this, plus the range of activities and resources on offer to your children comes with a financial responsibility. The committee hopes that you will participate by making a review of these finances tonight and supporting the financial report.

Things don't happen by chance. As I have captured above, there is a lot of hard work that goes into deciding how the activity should be funded, what resources are needed, what is the budget and all with a backdrop of ensuring that all can participate. Are you curious about what this really means? If you'd like to know more about how to join in at any level, by supporting the weekly groups or within the committee structure, please make yourself known to one of the leaders. Similarly, if you are concerned about the financial element of being able to participate in activities, this is just a conversation away.

You can all be proud that you have chosen to ask your children to experience all that 2nd Cheshunt offers. Your encouragement and participation is truly appreciated to secure experiences of friendship, team work, rigorous yet fun activities and the vast range of other cultural capital that is being offered throughout each attendance that will live with your children forever. Enjoy your evening and here's to the next twelve months.

Mark Bailey

Acting Chairperson

Treasurer Report

(for year ending 31st December 2023)



The group's accounts have been produced according to the requirements of the Scout Association and the Charity Commission and have been inspected and approved by the trustees of the group and an independent examiner.

The group has had another good year financially, the total income has increased compared to 2022. This is due to the group being able to fulfil a full programme of activities.

Membership was set at £30 per term for the year for the first time since 2019. Our membership levels have remained stable, and we had very little movement from prior years on expenditure. Rent, insurances, utilities at the hall have remained approximately the same as the previous year. The main increase in expenditure compared to 2022 was due to the need to repair the toilets and boiler in the year.

Unfortunately, there was no fund raising during the year, this is something that as group we need to actively look at.

Group funds remain healthy, with a budget set for 2024 which will allow continued expenditure towards the running of the hall, group equipment and Scouting activities.

Graeme Brown

Group Treasurer

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Group Scout Leader Report



The 2nd Cheshunt Scout Group has had another good year with the Beaver, Cub and Scout Sections all running a full range of fun and engaging programmes. In addition, I'm pleased to advise that the Group's governance, finances and assets are all in good shape and fit to support the Group's needs going forward.

Overall numbers were slightly down on our previous years but this is a similar situation experienced by many other Groups and perhaps reflects the new and changing attitudes of young people now that the covid era appears to have come to an end. However, we have a healthy waiting list so the expectation is that overall numbers are likely to start to increase over the forthcoming years as we give more young people a chance to join us.

Our Trustee Board continues to do an excellent job of giving the strategic direction and providing effective oversight for the Group. In addition, we have the support of a number of volunteers who help us with covering functions such as the administration, hall bookings, hall cleaning and the website management. All of these volunteers are essential to the effective running of the Group and we are very fortunate to have them.

As you'd expect, we are very reliant on adult volunteers and as such, we are always looking out for more people who can lend a hand. If you feel that you may be interested in supporting the Group and helping out, or joining as a Leader or wish to consider being part of the Trustee Board to help steer the direction of the Group, or if you have skills that you feel could be of use to help our Group in our day to day operations, then it would be fantastic to hear from you...even if you only have a small amount of time to potentially spare us, then please get in touch with me and we can talk further.

Finally I'd like to record a big thank-you to the whole 2nd Cheshunt Team including the Leaders, Young Leaders, Trustee Board members and all the other helpers that give up their valuable time to help 2nd Cheshunt to function. Also I'd like to also add a note of thanks to all the young people we have in Beavers, Cubs and Scouts...together they make it all so worthwhile.

Andy Pereira

Group Scout Leader

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Beaver Leader Report



Another great year with lots of different activities and badge work – we completed “coming for the day”. We had a pirate theme – Beavers designed their own flags, decorated a wooden pin parrot, made swords, a treasure map and buried a treasure box for another pirate to find as well as making pirate ships (dens) in the wood. We also cooked popcorn in the camp fire, made smoors, listened to stories and sang songs.

We have had six Beavers achieve the Chief Scout Bronze Award this year so far - this award is only achievable if Beavers attend most sessions ,camps and sleepovers (as we have more time to do badge work) so lots of work and commitment needed on behalf of Beavers and parents.

Please make sure all badges are attached to the Beaver jumpers as it is great to show others how well they have done.

All these achievements could not have happened without an amazing team. Once again thanks for the continued help and support of the Beaver team over the past twelve months – Mark, Derek, Laura, Uri, Georgina, Victoria, Jessica, Lexi and Daniel - running this section is a team effort and wouldn't be possible without everyone spending a lot of time and effort into putting the programme together and carrying out all the activities, as well as giving up our family time, Thursday evenings and at the weekends. I would also like to thank parents for helping out - our parent rota is an important and much needed asset to the team so watch out for your name and please let us know if the date is unsuitable as you may be able to swap with another parent – sometimes it may be possible to bring younger children too.

A big welcome to Daniel, who has joined us as a young leader and already attended camp as well as planning meetings and evening activities

We have a full colony and a healthy waiting list so I would encourage that names are

added to the list before a child's fourth birthday so that a place can be offered once they are 6.

In May we have our 7th parent/child camp in Wormley west end, where parents sleep in tents with their child... We usually walk to the park, play games, do craft, archery and nerf guns, barbecue and camp fire.

We are also attending our annual funday visit to Gilwell park in June - it is a good time to try lots of different activities and complete the Adventure Challenge Badge – as beavers can try climbing walls, crate stacking, abseiling, backwards cooking, fishing and many more activities.

We also have a very active district Beaver committee – last year we went to Colchester zoo and this year we have been to the science museum, and have a Christmas party booked too.

So excited to plan many more activities for the coming year.

Debbie Fletcher

Beaver Leader

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Cub Leader Report



It's been another successful and fun packed year for the Cubs. We have had a slightly smaller pack in the last 18 months, averaging around 23 cubs, 4 leaders and 2 Young Leaders in regular attendance.

During the year Cubs took part in several Challenge and Activity badges, working towards their Chief Scout Silver Award. Including Teamwork, Outdoor and World Challenge badges and Backwoods Cooking, Cook, Animal Carer and Road Safety activity badges amongst others. We also took part in two Night Hikes and a Cycle Ride, water activities, Archery and plenty of new and fun games. With no St Georges Day parade, cubs still took part in the Remembrance Parade at Goffs Oak.

We celebrated at Christmas with a day out in Harlow, with cinema, McDonalds, some crazy golf and Quasar in a full on busy day.

This year we have had 4 Cubs (most now Scouts) complete their Chief Scout Silver Award with a few more almost there.

Last year we were fortunate to have 3 teams all perform well in the Bloomfield Challenge camp, participating in Skills bases, Archery and Orienteering. We came home with a car full of Trophies and 1st ,and 2nd place overall and winning some of the individual events. We hope cubs will join us again this year for the Bloomfield Challenge camp (15-16th June). We also had an evening at ESSA Dragon Boating, the beating rhythmic drums could be heard for miles around! Our Cops & Robbers themed Summer camp was a great success with a jail and bank robbery keeping the cubs busy. This years camp in July has a "Wild West" theme, and the leaders are currently letting their minds run wild, having fun planning this. We also welcomed Ranger Stu for an evening with some interesting animals.

As with any year we have had our older cubs moving up to Scouts and we wish them

well, we also welcome those arriving from Beavers and we wish them all an enjoyable time with us.

I hope the Cubs have enjoyed this last year with us and will continue to inspire us to be creative with the program for each term.

I just need to add that the success of the Cub section is not just down to one person but a huge team effort, which as volunteers can put a demand on our time, but despite a few changes in the last few months with Mick moving over to help out at Scouts and Zoe moving on, I'd like to pass on my thanks to them and to our current leaders Bob, Rachel and Jack and Young Leaders, Emily and George, without whom the pack could not run. Not forgetting Andie and Sarah for helping out when needed.

I also wanted to take this opportunity to advise you all that after 20 years as a leader (18 as Akela) I will be stepping back from this role, and handing over to Bob as Akela at the end of this Summer term. I will still be part of the group and attend some evenings and camps but having moved away a few years ago, it seems appropriate to hand over to someone who lives more local.

And finally thanks to the Cubs for making it enjoyable for all of us.

Jacky Smith

Cub Leader

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Scout Leader Report



The Scout Section has had a lot of fun over the last year. We've gained new Scouts who've moved up from Cubs and we've also been fortunate in having had some join us direct from either the waiting list or through direct application. However, we have fewer Scouts that we've had in previous years with many of our older ones departed and a few of the new entrants dropping out over the course of the year, which was very disappointing. But we are fortunate to have retained another one of our older Scouts who has stayed on as one of our Young Leaders which gives us some greater depth to our leadership team.

The year has been the usual busy one and we've done a lot of different activities. During last summer we attended the Silver Buckle Camp and then later in August we had our summer camp going to Tolmers for the restarted CTT – the weather was great and the Scouts had the opportunity to take part in many different events. We also had an enjoyable excursion into London where we took a boat trip on the Thames and later seeing many of the sights of the “Big City”.

As per previous years, during the Autumn we took part in the District Scout fishing competition, held in Waltham Abbey and then In October we were able to hold our usual annual Conker Competition at Burgess Hall. The event had another three new Scouts earn their medals and they have earned their place on the conker roll of honour!

As well as our Scouts earning a variety of badges, the year also saw three of our Scouts being awarded the Chief Scout Gold Award, which was a great achievement for them.

Over the Easter period our Young Leaders also took part in the week long District Mountaineering Course at Lochearnhead in the wilds of the Scottish Highlands – this looked amazing despite being somewhat cold! This certainly tested their outdoor skills!

Running the Scout Section is made all the more easier with the fantastic set of Leaders that we have... They each bring their own skills and enthusiasm into developing, organising



and delivering our Scout programme through the year. As such, I would like to say a personal thankyou to them all; Danny, Nathan and Mick (who recently joined us from the Cub Section), Matthew and Daniel as our Young Leaders, Titch who continues to help us where she can whilst juggling the responsibilities as a mum of two young ones, and also a thankyou to Lizi who has stepped down now she has also become a new mum. We have a great team and have a lot of fun in the process!

I am always on the look out for new leaders to join our team... so if you have a little spare time and you like the fun of the great outdoors, then please come and have a chat with me as I'd be delighted to hear from you.

Andy Pereira

Scout Leader

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2nd Cheshunt Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year	1/1/2023	T	31/12/2023

Receipts and payments

	2023 Unrestricted £	2022 Unrestricted £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions	5,548.00	5,502.50
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	(3,657.00)	(3,500.00)
Net membership subscriptions retained	1,891.00	2,002.50
Donations	0.00	0.00
Legacies	0.00	0.00
Gift Aid	0.00	0.00
Other similar income	0.00	0.00
Sub total	1,891.00	2,002.50
Grants		
Maintenance grant	0.00	0.00
Other grants	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00
Activities & Fundraising (gross)		
Activities - Beavers	1,526.00	684.50
Activities - Cubs	944.50	618.00
Activities - Scouts	2,079.00	302.00
Other fundraising activities	378.50	278.00
Sub total	4,928.00	1,882.50
Investment income		
Bank interest	817.85	171.38
Building Society interest	0.00	0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0.00
Property Rent income	5,006.50	5,517.30
Other investment income	0.00	0.00
Sub total	5,824.35	5,688.68
Total Gross Income	12,643.35	9,573.68
Asset and investment sales, etc.	0.00	0.00
Total receipts	12,643.35	9,573.68

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	Year start date		Year end date
For the year	1/1/2023	T	31/12/2023

Receipts and payments

	2023 Unrestricted £	2022 Unrestricted £
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Youth programme and activities	0.00	0.00
Adult support and training	0.00	0.00
Rent & Wi-Fi	543.00	583.38
Water and Sewerage	187.23	499.44
Electricity and Gas	1,072.37	888.00
Insurance	930.79	805.55
Repairs and Renewals	2,380.72	1,009.20
Materials and equipment	0.00	1,137.20
Printing and photocopying	0.00	0.00
Contribution to camp costs	0.00	969.98
Uniforms, Badges & Scarves, Group T Shirts	685.77	568.81
AGM and trustee expenses	176.11	18.80
Activities - Beavers	2,118.86	1,653.08
Activities - Cubs	1,586.53	2,064.78
Activities - Scouts	3,417.95	1,926.07
Miscellaneous	35.00	337.40
Bank Charges	60.00	81.00
Sub total	13,194.33	12,542.69
Fundraising expenses		
Group Show	0.00	0.00
Group Fundraising	0.00	0.00
General Expenses	102.00	332.88
Other fundraising costs	0.00	0.00
Sub total	102.00	332.88
Total Gross Expenditure	13,296.33	12,875.57
Asset and investment purchases, etc.	0.00	0.00
Total payments	13,296.33	12,875.57
Net of receipts/(payments)	(652.98)	(3,301.89)
Cash funds last year end	0.00	0.00
Cash funds this year end	(652.98)	(3,301.89)
Budget	- 652.98	
Difference	0.00	

Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	31/12/2023 Unrestricted £	31/12/2022 Unrestricted £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	5,573.11	7,030.94
Bank deposit account	43,682.19	42,877.34
Building society account	0.00	0.00
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	0.00	0.00
Cash/Floats	0.00	0.00
Total cash funds	49,255.30	49,908.28
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim	0.00	0.00
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	0.00	0.00
Insurance claim	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail	0.00	0.00
Quoted investments	0.00	0.00
Other investments - detail	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock	1,304.04	1,560.70
Shop stock	0.00	0.00
Other stock	0.00	0.00
Land and buildings	0.00	0.00
Motor vehicles	0.00	0.00
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	32,562.00	31,777.46
Other	0.00	0.00
Sub total	33,866.04	33,338.16
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid	0.00	0.00
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	0.00	0.00
Subscriptions not yet paid	0.00	0.00
Loan - detail	0.00	0.00
Other liabilities	0.00	0.00
Sub total	0.00	0.00

Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved

Signature
<i>pp A.Pereira</i>
<i>G.Brown</i>

Print Name
pp A.Pereira Chair
G.Brown Treasurer

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the 2nd Cheshunt Scout Council

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the Group's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's/District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on pages 1 to 3.

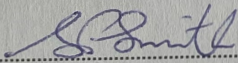
Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

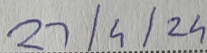
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