

3rd Hayling Scout Group *Annual Report* 2006 - 2007





**Two Hayling Scouts achieved their Queen's
Scout Awards in Centenary Year 2007**

Roll of Honour 2006 / 2007

Simba Bailey	Aspen	Travis Kemp	Redwood	Beavers Chief Scout's Award Bronze 
Ben Boltwood	Redwood	William Kenny	Redwood	
Alec Clapp	Aspen	Matthew King	Redwood	
Owen Cranstone	Aspen	James Lambert	Redwood	
Mark Dubarry	Aspen	James Notley	Redwood	
Sam Farrimond	Redwood	Sam Perrin	Redwood	
Philip Graves	Aspen	Jack Silver	Aspen	
Megan Hick	Redwood	Thomas Spry	Redwood	
Martin Humphries	Redwood	Luke Wells	Aspen	

Keiron Ball	Saturn	Marc Rowson	Saturn	Cubs Chief Scout's Award Silver 
Reece Chapman	Saturn	Joe Speller	Saturn	
Scott Hawley	Saturn	Daniel Wallage	Jupiter	
Peter Hewitt	Saturn	Karl Ward	Jupiter	
James Hooker	Saturn	George Warner	Jupiter	
Dominic Reed	Saturn	Daniel Wells	Saturn	

Zack Allgood	Lion Troop	Scouts Chief Scout's Award Gold 
Toby Burgess	Eagle Troop	
Alistair Harris	Lion Troop	
Liam Holden	Lion Troop	
Joel Knight	Lion Troop	
Jake Whistlecraft	Lion Troop	
Sam Whiteland-Smith	Lion Troop	

		Explorer Scouts Queen's Scout Award 
Alan Oakes	Nexus Unit	
Robert Venus	Nexus Unit	

Badge Sponsorship for 3rd Hayling Scout Group

We are very grateful to the following businesses, organisations and individuals who have offered to sponsor various badges. Their endorsement of our aims and objectives is very welcome. There are over 150 different badges that a Scout can earn from Beavers to Explorers. If you would like to find out more information or how you can join our list of Badge sponsors, please contact Ian Hawke our Group Scout Leader.

Badge			Sponsor
 DIY Cub	 DIY Scout		Hayling Hardware Elm Grove
 Book Reader Cubs	 Librarian Scouts	 Writer Scouts	Hayling Bookshop Mengham
 Home Help Cubs			Helping Hands Allcare Hayling Island
 Animal Friend Beaver	 Animal Carer Cubs		Animal Magic West Town
 Lifesaver Scouts	 Lifesaver Explorers	 Imagination Beavers	Mill Rythe Holiday Resort Hayling Island
 Entertainer Cubs	 Entertainer Scouts	 Performing Arts Explorers	
 Chef Cubs	 Chef Scouts	 Camp Cook Scouts	
 Communicator Cubs	 Communicator Scouts	 Electronics Scouts	Bentley Walker Ltd Elm Grove
 Angler Scouts			Paige's Fishing Tackle West Town
 Mechanic Scouts			Simon Rigden Mobile Mechanic Hayling Island
 Scouting Skills Explorers			3rd Hayling Group Development Committee
 Friendship Challenge Beavers	 Caring Challenge Cubs	 Community Challenge Scouts	Hugh Hickman Estate Agency Mengham
 Health & Fitness Beavers	 The Fitness Challenge Beavers	 The Fitness Challenge Scouts	Jacqui Gray Homeopath Hayling Island

Our Supporters

The companies, organisations and individuals mentioned on this page have supported the Hayling Scout Group throughout the year. Their support could be in the form of a loan of equipment and facilities, financial support or donations, working with us on specific projects or activities, or by choosing to be associated with us and endorsing our goals and objectives for the young people of Hayling Island.

We are very grateful to all of the following for their help and support.

 <p>Association for Charitable Endeavours</p>	 <p>Lions Club Hayling Branch</p>	 <p>Mengham Infant School</p>	 <p>Build Centre Station Road</p>
 <p>Hayling Island Businessmen's Club</p>	 <p>Hayling Island Community Centre</p>	 <p>Hayling Islander Local News</p>	 <p>Bentley Walker Ltd Elm Grove</p>
<p>Hayden's Vehicle Hire Station Road</p>	<p>Stoke Fruit Farm Havant Road</p>	<p>Hayling Hardware Elm Grove</p>	<p>Country Pets Eastoke Corner</p>
<p>Farm Stores Sandy Point Road</p>	<p>Irene Day</p>	<p>Belmont Hair Care Station Road</p>	<p>Hayling Red Cross Centre Elm Grove</p>
<p>Card Boutique Mengham</p>	<p>Mill Rythe Holiday Resort</p>	<p>Alan Rae Butchers Mengham</p>	<p>Hayling Flower Club</p>
<p>Ivor Copeland Heating Engineer</p>			

Group Development Committee 2006-7

Group Scout Leader

Ian Hawke

Officers

Chairman

Dr Philip Blosse

Treasurer

Mary Pike

Secretary

Gill Condron (p)

Specific Roles

HQ Manager

Pete Rowson (p)

Quartermaster

Peter Goddard

Sponsorship

Samantha Mill (p)

Badge Secretary

Nigel Kenny (p)

Wish List Management

Jo Hawley (p)

Parent Representatives

Ciara Jamieson-Goode (p)

Clive Allgood (p)

Graham Chapman (p)

Helen Pickles (p)

Uniformed Representatives

Beaver Scouts

Aspen Colony

Sylvi Rigden (p)

Redwood Colony

Linda Hunter (p)

Cub Scouts

Jupiter Pack

Aaron Pycroft (p)

Saturn Pack

Mandy Hawke

Scouts

Eagle Troop

Ed Harrison

Lion Troop

Jim Simpson / James Perfett

Explorer Scouts

Nexus Unit

Dominic Howell

(p) Indicates parent of section member of Group (Beaver, Cub, Scout, Explorer)

Group Supporting Roles 2006-2007

Finance Team

Subscriptions Secretary
Gift Aid Coordinator
Subs Administration

Karen Wells
Kim Sparling
Sally Jones / Eileen Oakes
Jenny Dimment / Mark Jermy

HQ Team

HQ Coordinator
HQ Support
Caretaker
HQ Cleaning
Grounds
Lettings Coordinator

Pete Rowson
Alan Perfett
Eric Marston
Julie Rigden
James Perfett / Richard Card
Alan Perfett

Leader Support Team

Badge Secretary
Secondhand Uniform
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator
Wish List Management

Nigel Kenny
Sarah Speller
Terry Brinnen
Jo Hawley

Promotions & Events

Team Manager
Book Sales
Indian Supper
Quiz
Sponsorship Coordinator
Promotion Materials Coordinator

Position Vacant
Position Vacant
Ciara Jamieson-Good
Mandy Hawke / Billy Ault
Samantha Mill
Position Vacant

Leader Support Service Team

Team Manager
Activities Support Team
Drivers Support Team
Transport Manager

Position Vacant
10 Names
Rob Bond
Position Vacant

Leader Support Skills Team

Life Guards
Archery Team
Hillwalking and Climbing Walls
Canoe Instruction

Jan Allgood / Ali Locke
Paul Jackson
Ali Locke
Julie Rigden / Alan Oakes

Group Support 2006-2007

During the course of the year a number of other people have helped in different ways.

To everyone who has supported us in any way during the past year -

"Thank You"

There are also people, not in uniform or on the Development Committee, who directly or indirectly contribute to the success of 3rd Hayling from behind the scenes.

This page is an opportunity to mention some of them. Of course this is always dangerous, as I know I will miss some. Please accept my apologies if you are one of those I miss. It was not intentional.

Valerie Blossie	Photocopying & various other duties
Chris Driscoll	Auditor
Hayling Islander	For their continued Support
ACE / LIONS	For their financial support and help
HI Businessmen's Club	For their financial support and help
Irene Day	For her continued support to the Group
Mill Rythe Holiday Centre	Carnival Crockery
John Clayton/Bishops Printers	For printing this Report

There are also many of our friends who continue to support our events, year after year, and we are extremely grateful and lucky to have this ongoing support.

Also those who each year support our Christmas Post Service:

Hayling Hardware	Bentley Walkers
Rae's	Card Boutique
Farm Stores	Belmont Barbers
Stoke Fruit Farm	Country Foods
Red Cross Centre	

Obituaries

During the past few months, we have been saddened by the deaths of five individuals who have either been active members, or supporters, of the 3rd Hayling Scouts.

Gillian Scarffe was linked to the Group in three ways. Her father Major Gunnell founded the Group in 1929 and like the children of most adults in Scouting she found herself joining in with many Scouting camps and activities. During the 1980s and 1990s she became Assistant Cub Leader with Jupiter Pack and, having stepped down from active Scouting, became one of our strongest supporters and ambassadors. Her sudden death last year was a shock to us all.

John Scarffe, Gillian's husband was always being volunteered to help us or join in with our various events. Although never directly involved in the movement as an adult, John was a great friend of Scouting and was always so positive about what was being done to help the young people of today. John passed away very recently.

Phil Ford grew up as part of a Scouting family. His own Scouting was not on Hayling but mainly in Havant. However when Venture Scouting was introduced to the 3rd Hayling Scouts, Phil undertook the task of establishing this new section for the 16-20 age range, a task he achieved with terrific results. Many of his "old" Venture Scouts remain active in the movement today, as Leaders, members of Executive Committees or as very supportive parents. Phil had been unwell for some time but could often be found supporting Jane with her Guides.

Ro Dobner was the mother of three boys, all of whom enjoyed time in the Group. It was when the youngest joined Beavers that Ro donned our uniform as a Beaver Scout Leader. The experience of seeing what her own children had done placed her in an ideal position to talk about the benefits of Scouting to others - something she did with great enthusiasm.

Chris Hunt was never a Leader with Hayling Scouts but someone who always said that what he saw on Hayling was what he would like to achieve with his own Troop in Leigh Park. He was known to many young people of Hayling in his capacity as Swimming Coach in Waterlooville and developed a great rapport with all ages. Chris was just 44 when he died.

We are extremely grateful for everything Gillian, John, Phil, Ro and Chris have done to support us, and our prayers and thoughts continue to be with their families.

Chairman's Report

After last year's massive fundraising effort to replace the roof of our Headquarters, this year we have been able to focus our attention on the Centenary of Scouting 2007. It is amazing that the inspirational ideas of one man, Lord Baden-Powell, are still valid one hundred years later. This is especially so on Hayling Island where Scouting grows from strength to strength. Many of the activities enjoyed today by our own young people, such as camping in the great outdoors, are those of the original Scouts.

We are playing our full part in the Centenary celebrations, both locally and further afield, to reinforce the Scouting ideals.



Two of our Scouts, Alistair Harris and Jorden Reed, will be attending the World Jamboree in July and they will experience the true spirit of Scouting on an international scale, and we wish them well.

Our Scout Group is proud of the links we have established within our local community and this year we have continued to develop these links by extending our sponsorship programme. What do we mean by sponsorship? Many people think simply in financial terms and we are, of course, always grateful for that type of help. However, we also see it as a way for individuals and organisations to endorse our aims and objectives and become involved in our work with the youth of the Island.

To this end, we have embarked on a programme of badge sponsorship and have been delighted with the response and enthusiasm shown by many individuals and organisations. This is vividly demonstrated on page 3 of this Annual Report, where you will see eleven organisations sponsoring a total of twenty-nine badges. Committee member Sam Mill has been the driving force behind this scheme, with support from fellow member Nigel Kenny as Badge Secretary.

We appreciate the generosity of all who have given us donations, which help to keep our subscriptions low and make Scouting accessible to all. Two examples are: a donation from ACE (Association for Charitable

Endeavours) for the purchase of a new Explorer flag, and one from Irene Day for the new windows in our Scout Headquarters.

I was particularly delighted that two of our Explorer Scouts received their Queen's Scout Awards - a fantastic achievement, and our first for fifteen years. We should all feel proud of Robert Venus and Alan Oakes, and proud, too, of everyone who helped them to fulfil this achievement.

I am fortunate, as Chairman of the Group, to have on my Committee a team of enthusiastic people, and this year we welcomed three new members, Graham Chapman, Gill Condron and Helen Pickles. Our Group Committee has a wide remit with responsibility for the management and development of the Group, and Graham, Gill and Helen are already making a significant input to our busy programme.



Our exciting new Five-Year Plan 'Looking Outwards' was developed this year, incorporating four main themes: accessibility, support, education and promotion. Details can be seen on page 42 along with the achievements of our previous plan 'Beyond 2002', on page 41.

Finally, I cannot fail to mention Ian Hawke's wonderful efforts in creating and maintaining a fantastic website for the Group. It forms the backbone of our communication both within and beyond 3rd Hayling, and I know that we will be seeing some exciting developments of the website in the near future. Well done, Ian, for this and for the enthusiasm you bring to all our activities in the Group.

My thanks go to everyone for maintaining a successful Scout Group on Hayling.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "P. Blosse".

Dr. Philip Blosse
Chairman

Group Scout Leader's Report

Scouting is a team game. If you look at any successful Scout Group (or other youth organisation), you will see a team of people offering different skills but all with one common goal - "To help young people achieve".

In our team we have:

- 160 plus young people (aged 6 to 18) who wear our uniform every week.
- 25 adults who each week organise and run meetings & activities
- 12 adults, our Group Development Team, who provide the facilities, equipment and funds to allow the uniformed sections to operate.
- 40 plus adults who take on specific roles such as organising or helping with events/activities, helping Leaders with administration such as Subs collection, cutting the grass, sorting out Gift Aid etc.
- 300 plus parents who get involved in transporting their children to meetings & activities and of course pay subscriptions and camp fees!
- Local individuals, organisations and businesses who help us with funds, equipment, sponsorship, activities or by endorsing our goal.

This is a big team, but then again I cannot think of any other single organisation on Hayling Island that is supporting so many young people with so many different activities.

And they all do it for free!

I feel very privileged to be the custodian of this team and would like to say a very big THANK YOU to everyone who helps in whatever way.

It is vital for our success and that of Scouting that we continue to evolve and progress. Our last five year plan, "Beyond 2002" has now completed (see elsewhere in this report) and this year we have launched "Looking Outwards" for the next five years. With Scouting celebrating 100 years this year, you will already have seen (hopefully) the increased publicity for our movement through Radio, Television, Newspapers and other media. It is our collective duty to capitalise on this and once again make Scouting truly fashionable - the slogan we have adopted for "Looking Outwards".

So what have our Leaders achieved this year?

- Over 1,000 nights spent in camp across the Group
- 40 members of the Group achieved a top award for their section
- 300 Activity and Challenge Badges have been presented
- 2 Explorers, Robert Venus and Alan Oakes, were presented with their Queen's Scout Awards - our first for 15 years.
- Our "Siege of Lyons Copse" Group Camp last June was fantastic (or should I say "Awesome"). Over 100 people camping and the main event, "the siege" is still talked about 1 year later!
- Summer Camps in Devon for the Scouts including rifle shooting, archery, kayaking plus the normal Scouting activities of cooking, hikes, wide games, swimming etc.
- Our Explorers went to the Lake District for a week of Climbing, Hill Walking, Gorge Walking, Quad Biking, Dragon Boating plus lots more.
- Cubs from both Packs joined in a special 90th Birthday Camp on Hayling having a great time and cutting and eating a special Birthday Cake cooked by Sharon Ashley - thanks, Sharon.
- Otter Patrol from Lion Troop are 7th best Patrol in Hampshire for Camping Skills, having previously won the District Gunnell Trophy.
- Eagle Troop beat Lion Troop in the final of the District Football, whilst Jupiter Pack returned home with the Cub Football Trophy.
- Community Service remains a key part of Scout life. During the year many individuals will be found helping others whilst other community activities include:
 - Scouts helping at the Hayling Island Businessmen's club BBQ
 - Explorers clearing rhododendrons from a campsite in West Sussex
 - Lion Troop maintaining their annual camp fire cleaning
 - Cubs from Saturn Pack organised and held a bring and buy sale for an orphanage in Ghana
 - Redwood Beavers sang Christmas Carols to the residents of a local Old People's Home.
 - Aspen Beavers again tackled the "Gimme 5" challenge in conjunction with the WWF.

As you read the section reports you will find lots of other activities and achievements, and also observe that whatever we do, fun is the key component.

The achievements of the uniformed sections would not have been possible without the improvements to our facilities and equipment and the associated funding. You can read in other reports more details of this but I would like to mention some specific items:

"Beyond 2002" included a safety and security programme which included upgrades to our windows, doors and fencing. A special thank you goes to Irene Day for her generous donation towards the costs of these items.

The Hayling Island Flower Club chose our Group as their charity of choice for 2006. Phil Blossie and I attended their Annual Meeting and were delighted to receive a cheque for £500. This money was used to purchase of the Centenary Neckerchief now being worn by every member of the Group.

The Association of Charitable Endeavours (ACE) sponsored and presented our Explorer Unit with their own unit flag for use on special occasions and parades.

The Hayling Island Businessmen's Club invite us to help them with their annual BBQ, the work including cleaning up before and after the event, organising car parking and also to help with eating the food!. Not only is this great fun, HIBC also gave us a significant donation.

The Lions club organise the annual Langstone Harbour Sponsored Walk. This allows us to take part in a fun event and raise money towards our activities.

Page 3 of this report identifies local individuals, organisations businesses who are supporting us by becoming "badge sponsors". Sam Mill has done a superb job in gaining this support.

Whilst the money is important, what is more special to me is the endorsement of our goals and aims shown by the many people who support us. After all, it is the young people of today that will become the fundraisers and supporters of tomorrow.

I end my report with a special thank you to Phil Blossie for his continued commitment to our cause and to my own family, without whose support I would not be able to continue in this wonderful game of Scouting.

Ian

3rd Hayling Scout Group Charity No. 308136
Income and Expenditure Account. Year ended 31st March 2007

2005/06	INCOME	2006/07	2005/06	EXPENDITURE	2006/07
8575.00	Subscriptions	7992.20	4480.40	Capitation	4573.45
400.00	Donations	7078.40	1097.79	Section Allowances	764.38
966.50	Bank Interest	803.68	243.02	Competitions	393.43
1674.16	Gift Aid	3403.32	300.00	Badges	904.00
425.00	Facilities hire (HQ and Marquee)	470.00	652.44	Leader Uniform and Training	58.79
82.47	Photocopying	0.00	0.00	Centenary neckerchiefs	1515.00
8036.56	Money exchange, camps & trips	14633.60	312.33	Photocopier	241.57
0.00	World Jamboree	1714.45	962.70	Insurance	953.70
240.00	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	34.94	873.75	General expenses	1693.79
0.00	Badge sponsorship	201.00	1858.05	HQ: Services	1928.15
1282.48	Fundraising: Quiz	972.00	688.72	HQ: Maintenance	1379.00
26249.60	Raise the roof	0.00	168.26	Equipment	1393.89
927.52	Christmas Post	899.77	8286.08	Money exchange, camps & trips	16156.29
1631.86	Book Fair	1587.96	0.00	World Jamboree	1760.00
2016.00	100 club	1679.20	216.66	Duke of Edinburgh Award expenditure	337.49
835.47	Other events(fireworks,etc)	963.81	248.48	Fundraising: Quiz	273.20
53342.62	TOTAL	42434.33	14.74	Christmas Post	122.00
<u>1290.00</u>	less: Explorer subs accounted for	<u>1650.00</u>	231.02	Book Fair	152.64
52052.62	by District	40784.33	446.00	100 club	1146.00
			408.84	Other events	386.50
			21489.28	TOTAL	36133.27
			32501.68	New roof/Windows & Doors	6858.00
			53990.96	TOTAL	42991.27
				less: Capitation and use of facilities	
			1290.00	by Explorers accounted for by District	1650.00
			52700.96		41341.27
			11325.33	Less: Money held on account 01.04.06	10377.65
			10377.65	Plus: Money held on account 31.03.07	9157.00
			299.34	Plus: Surplus	663.71
			52052.62		40784.33
			Money held on account		
			At 31.03.06		At 31.03.07
			775.00	100 club prizes	850.00
			3480.65	Activities Fund	3346.00
			0.00	Scout Development Fund	2000.00
			3965.00	Building Fund	2107.00
			2157.00	Camp & Section Funds	854.00
			10377.65	TOTAL	9157.00

I have examined the books and papers presented to me and in my opinion they represent a true and fair statement of affairs.

C. Driscoll F.C.A. Auditor June 2007

Treasurer's Report

Another very busy year in Scouting with a turnover of over £40,000. The turnover includes a significant increase in the costs of camps and activities resulting from the Centenary Celebrations. (These are identified under "Money exchange, camps and trips").

We have received very generous donations, and therefore an increase in Gift Aid, together with great fundraising efforts by many people (the Quiz raised nearly £600 and the Book Sales over £1,400) have ensured a healthy balance at year end.

We have paid back our loan from Havant District and put £2,000 in our Scout Development Fund, and the accounts show a small surplus of £663.

Additionally, this year we purchased 200 Centenary Neckerchiefs so that every member of the Group could wear them as we enjoy our 100th birthday. The cost of these (£1,505) was covered by the Christmas Post and the generous donation from the Hayling Island Flower Club.

Again this year, the Explorer Scouts are currently District-based and their accounts have to be included with Havant District. To simplify the accounting, it is shown on our Accounts as a deduction on income, for their subscriptions, and a deduction on expenditure of the same amount for capitation and use of facilities.

My thanks again go to Chris Driscoll for auditing our accounts. These accounts are un-audited, as this time of year both Chris and myself are extremely busy, but I am sure the draft represents a true summary of our financial affairs.

Mary Pike

Aspen Colony



Is it really THAT time already? Surely not, Aspen Beavers have been so busy we didn't notice the year whizzing by! The Beavers have worked really hard this year, it's been - to quote a Hayling Leader (5 Beaver points if you guess who) - AWESOME!!!

We started the year with the St. Georges Day service at Havant, where we joined other Scouts from Havant District remaking our Promises.

Then we began work on this years 'Gimmie 5' Challenge. This is a joint fund raising event organised by the World Wild Life Fund and Scouting. This year we decided to take the Beavers around the world. We began our journey in Africa. We looked at maps, learnt a little about African culture and made a Moroccan good luck symbol. Then we looked at some East African Land Snails and a West African Python.

Next we packed our bags and journeyed across to Asia. Here we made some lovely Japanese fish and a Samurai hat each. We were pretty tired then and decided that instead of trailing over to Australia we would trail up to Bere Forest at Wickham and play in the 'Australian Bush' up there. We had a lovely time and the parents joined in as well. Our next port of call was America. Here we dressed up as cowboys, lit fires, cooked marshmallows and learnt a new game. For the 'Gimmie 5' Challenge the boys also had to do some jobs at home to earn some money. 75% of this was sent to the World Wild Life Fund, and Aspen Colony retained the remaining 25% . We decided that we would use this to continue our sponsorship of our Tiger with the WWF.

We began the new term with some archery, followed by making cakes and a card for Fathers day. Hayling Scouts was going to have a fun weekend this year and we spent the next week making the targets for the catapult base. We made big cardboard cut outs of Disney villains and the Beavers painted them. They made such a lovely job of them that we only used one of them in the end to fire the catapults at!



The Great Siege Of Lyons Copse, a medieval battle, took place on a sunny



June weekend. The Beavers went for the day and what an exciting day they had! They spent the morning making their armour and weapons, doing target practise with catapults and

archery, building go-carts and generally running around doing what Beavers do best - making immense amounts of noise! The big battle was staged in the afternoon and the Beavers got to try out all their new skills - firing sponges loaded with paint and water, throwing flour bombs and making even more noise - at the Explorer Scouts who were holding the fort. Everyone got thoroughly wet and pasted! The day was finished with lots of food and a campfire.

Returning to normality - if that's what we can call the everyday Beaver meeting - we learnt about Aspen trees, made a Hayling Scouts Family Tree and threw in some biscuit decorating for good measure. Beaver Scouting was 20 years old in 2006 and we had a lovely time going to the Havant District Beaver Birthday Party to celebrate with about 40 Beavers from across the Havant District. Then we finished the term off with a treasure hunt down the 'Cinder Path'. The summer holidays saved us from total exhaustion and we all arrived back in September raring to go.

We bulldozed into the term with an array of puppet making, first aid, harvest cooking, corn dollies, paper planes, space rockets, a walk in the dark down the Billy Track, attending the Harvest Festival Service and Christingle Service at St Andrews Church and somehow we managed to arrive at the second Aspen sleepover.

What a great time we had at the sleepover, I even remember getting an hours sleep! All the Leaders and helpers who came the year before returned for a further dose of deafening and being run into the ground with non-stop activities. We did woodwork, swung and climbed on tyres and ropes, played games, built Duplo and Knex, watched a film, had a really good archery session, and did lots of eating.....and made lots of noise!!!!!!

The term was finished with a disco complete with flashing lights and a smoke machine installed by the ever useful Tom. This was a 'Now You See Them, Now You Don't' Disco! Lots and lots of noise and thumping feet, whizzing bodies, and then, now and again above the din, someone would cry out "too much smoke Tom!!!!"

January saw us continuing on our badge work. We did the hobbies badge, for this the Beavers had to bring in something that they do for a hobby and tell us about it. What interesting things they all do! We had a skate board and a metal detector, trains, football, model building, a mountain bike, even a South American Harris Hawke with a 6ft wing span which flew up and down the hut!and Elvis Presley?



The Scouting year was suitably finished off with a trip to Havant Leisure Centre for a Celebration of Scouting with Havant District Scouts and Guides. This was the start of this years 100 years of Scouting Celebrations. The evening was greatly enjoyed by the Beavers.

What a lot of badges the Beavers have earned this last year. We have awarded to the whole Colony Hikes Away, Safety, Air Activities, Hobbies and Nights Away Badges. Added to this various Beavers have got their Faith, Creative, Animal Friend, and Swimmers Stage 1 Badges. Many of the Beavers achieved their 3 Challenge Badges and 8 Beavers went on to be awarded their Bronze Scout Award. One Beaver was awarded the Beaver Well Done Badge.

I would like to thank all my helpers and Leaders who have worked so hard this year to make Aspen such a success - so have a big **"THANK YOU"** Julie, Liam, Jacko, Claire, Tom, Becky and Robert. And thank you to my Beaver parents who are always so supportive.

Fox (Sylvi)

Redwood Beaver Colony

It's been a funny old year in the Redwood Colony.

We have seen a lot of movement with leaders and Beavers coming and going. At times its been hard to keep track, but here are some of the movers and shakers. Michelle West who started helping us last year had to say goodbye because she has landed herself a smashing new job which meant she couldn't help on a regular basis anymore. She is however, still active in the group and will be helping at the May Camp. In her place stepped Jan Allgood, who is well known to lots of you as she has two boys in the group. She has made her presence felt already organising me and she is a wonderful asset to our team. Another leaver was Mathew Haines who helped for over a year, but due to college commitments had to leave us. In his place stepped Zach Allgood, intrepid explorer and Jake Whistlecraft from Lion Troop who is doing his service with us to finish off his Gold Award. Both boys are a credit to their families and the Scouting movement. I would like to thank each and everyone of my leavers for their support and wish them all the best. Somebody who is still with us is Claire and I can't imagine being without her now. THANK YOU!

It's been a great year for badges, with over 60 being awarded for various things, including working on a couple of new badges which proved very popular.



The imagination badge involved three evenings, hammering together pieces of wood to make a boat, painting a picture of what life might be like in the future and lastly learning a poem and reciting it to the colony.

The Air activities badge was gained by making a paper dart and seeing how well it flew, finding out about a particular aeroplane and giving a short talk on it to the other Beavers, chatting about their experience on an aeroplane. Finally, we had a trainee pilot called Dan come in and give a talk about learning to fly and how to gain your pilots licence. The Beavers loved this and were very interested in his maps and certificates, asking lots of questions.

The Healthy Eating badge was gained by 14 Beavers. They had to make a savoury and a sweet sandwich and a fruit salad. The eating part was the best of course.

As part of our Discovery work we have visited Egypt, America and Japan. We explored the native culture of America making Red Indian headbands and playing cowboys and Indians. Trying different foods from Japan and looking at Egyptian writing amongst other things.

I can't forget of course the Beavers who have gained their Bronze Award. This is the highest badge a Beaver can attain and not everyone can achieve it so well done to those who did. (You can see the list at the beginning of this Annual Report.

One of my proudest moments this year came when we visited an old folks home on Hayling and sung carols and gave Christmas tree decorations that the Beavers had made to all the residents. The boys were so well behaved and sung beautifully. At first the boys were a bit shy, but the residents and staff were so pleased to see them that it didn't take long before the boys were comfortable chatting to the old folks, one of which was 100 years old and really enjoyed themselves. They kindly supplied drinks and biscuits to us and we gave them a large tin of chocolates to share on their bingo nights and each Beaver gave a Christmas present to be opened Christmas day.



One of the highlights of the year was the Group "Siege of Lyons Copse" camp last year when the Beavers came along for the day and had an amazing time joining in with the Cubs, Scouts and Explorers for a range of activities. To see them charging around the field with balloons full of water and being sprayed by the Explorers (who were defending their fort!) was incredible and just reminds us all how you can entertain young people of all ages without access to any of the modern day computers, television or similar.

We have had our share of fun visits and outdoor evenings, including a trip on the Hayling Puffer, Firelighting on the beach, bouncy fun at Havant Leisure

Centre and a family B.B.Q on the Beach. This year we celebrated Halloween with a party, Fireworks night with our own fire and sparklers behind the Scout hut and rounded off the year with a Christmas party. We have also been very active in the Centenary Celebrations which will continue throughout 2007.

Its been a great year. Thanks to my parents who are very supportive and thanks to the team in Redwood and as a whole on Hayling.

Linda Hunter (Badger)



Jupiter Pack

A Better Place to Play

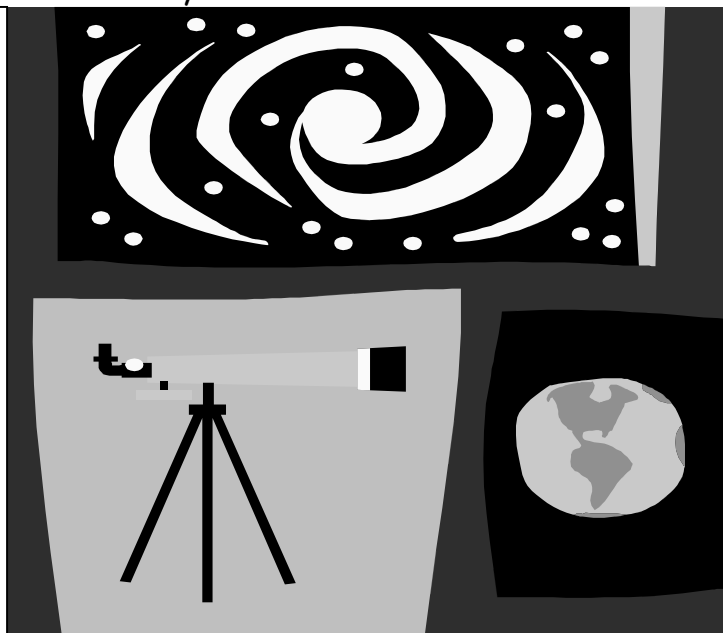
It has been such a fantastic year that it is difficult to know where to start, there are all kinds of highlights and events to tell you about, the usual thrills and spills of working with kids (not to mention the adults!) and the achievements, and ultimate sense of satisfaction that can only come from being involved in the wonderful and weird world that is scouting. But here we are, some of the highlights from the last year:

Weekly activities

Firstly to give you a flavour of some of the things that we do on a week by week basis, our format for an evening usually involves a variety of games, and some planned activities that work towards a badge or challenge. One of the absolute favourite games is called X File Donuts (not enough space to explain the name!) which is played in total darkness, with a search light and obstacles. The Cubs have to get to one end of the hall with being caught in the search light; Very simple, very effective and great fun. Although it usually takes a while for Cubs to realise that asking to play this on summer evenings is not quite so effective!

As an example of Badge work we have in this last Easter term worked towards the new astronomy badge which amongst other things required the Cubs to build a model of the Solar System.

The mechanics of this caused a shortage of footballs in the hut, but no one seemed to notice for a while. There was a general consensus that the rings of Saturn, one of the spectacular features of the solar system, looked more floppy hat than particle physics!



Here is a table showing all the badges and awards that have been earned by the pack over the course of the last year and gives a really good indication of what we get up too.

Badge	Number	Badge	Number
Cycling	1	Swimming (Stage 1)	8
Athletics	14	Swimming (Stage 2)	15
Camper	9	Swimming (Stage 3)	3
1 Night Away	4	Adventurer	8
5 Nights Away	8	Reader	1
Sports Enthusiast	1	My Faith	1
Hobbies	1	Physical Recreation	1
Astronomy	16		
Outdoor Challenge	5	Fitness Challenge	14
Grand Total	100		

It is because of the work and preparation that goes into the weekly programme, and the knowledge and skills that flow from it that in many ways the big "set pieces" take care of themselves.

Group camp

One of the great aspects of scouting on Hayling is the support, enthusiasm and help offered by other sections and who are more than happy to join in a kind of collective madness. There are always suggestions and ideas for how to put this madness into action, as was to be found at the Group Camp in the summer. This really was the highlight of the year, and was truly an inter group activity with every section helping out in the planning. But the mad plan to get 150 young people plus leaders involved in a siege of a castle (which had to be built), with giant catapults, flour and water bombs, death slides and chariots, and all in full armour just worked! It was brilliant, so thanks everyone for what was a truly memorable occasion.

Cubs 90th Birthday Camp with Saturn

This theme of helping out continued for our joint section camp with Saturn. In 2006 we celebrated the 90th anniversary of Cub Scouts, and what better way to do so than with a traditional camp on a green field site. Thanks go to Fiona and Jacko from Saturn, to Clare from Lions (and Sharon her mum for

making the anniversary cake) and to Edd from Eagles, to Sylvi from Redwood and Barnabas and Jordan from Eagles and Lions and to parents who also helped out by loading and unloading the trailer and for helping on the weekend. Above all thanks to Rob Bond for letting us use his land for the camp. It was fantastic that Nigel Valette the District Commissioner was able to present three Cubs (two from Saturn and one from Jupiter) with their Chief Scout's Silver Award on that occasion.

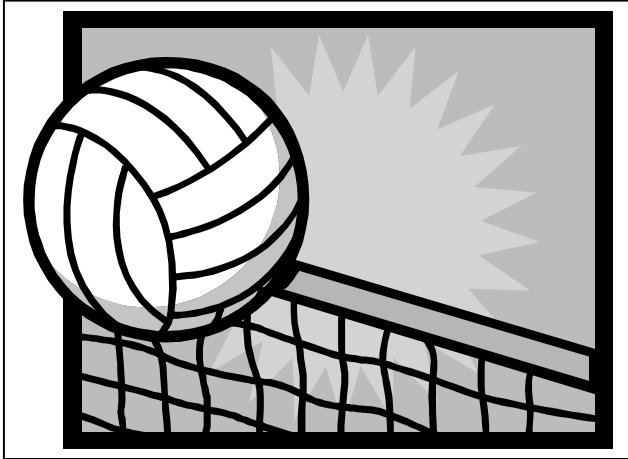
Bring a friend evening.

One of the special centenary badges is for bringing a friend to a Cubs meeting. We organised our evening and about nine of the Cubs brought a friend. We had decided to run an evening based upon traditional scouting activities, that all the guests could have a go at, namely lighting fires and cooking things, using poles and ropes, and some games. The message that we wanted to give was that at Cubs you can do things that are different, that it is unique in the activities offered and way that those activities are delivered. It seemed to work as we acquired seven new members, I think that speaks for itself!



District football champions and County Competition

Think of the great penalty shoot outs of all time, they would include I expect England v West Germany 1990, England v Germany 1996, Liverpool v Milan 2005 and of course Jupiter Pack v 1st Homewell 2007;



A great day on which we won the trophy on penalties; it was tense, nail biting stuff, with the scores being dead level after the first set of penalties and with prospect of sudden death sinking in. While those around him couldn't watch, Josh Flynn held his nerve stepped up to the spot and buried the ball into the top right hand corner, absolutely fantastic. Well done Josh and well done the team. As District Champions we had the honour of representing the District at the County Competition at Eastleigh. This too, was a great day out although our progress faltered, falling from the Champions League to the UEFA cup and ultimately being eliminated. Hey ho there's always next year and anyway it is always important to learn how to loose graciously.

We have mentioned the support of the whole group in making the whole thing work, but a really big thanks needs to go Ian Hawke in his unstinting service as Group Scout Leader, and for smoothing a way through the bureaucracy to let us play! Thanks also to Mark Jermy for collecting the subs and for being our "communications manager," and for Simon and Sam Mill for helping out on a regular basis. Why don't you come and join in, have a go its great. In the year ahead we're going to be doing loads of good things and so if you have a hankering for camping, building rafts, and lighting fires (with bamboo fire saws, oh yeah!), and above all giving kids a great time, what are you waiting for!?

Aaron Pycroft
Andrea Heath

Saturn Pack

We have had an exciting year (or at least I have and I hope the Cubs had some fun along the way!) We have planned the programmes around the badges and challenges. This means we have had eight Cubs who gained their top award. Well done to you all. (See their names in the Role of Honour). One of the challenges that all Cubs gaining the top award can't wait to do, is to run an evening for the rest of the Cubs. You would be amazed what a little bit of power does for them! And hopefully may whet their appetites to take over my job!

We have had a variety of activities for the weekly meetings, e.g. fire lighting, archery, cooking, fitness, craft, to name a few. We made cakes for Mothering Sunday and decorated them. We had visits from Havant Council to talk about recycling; Vicky to tell us about an orphanage in Ghana for which we had a Bring and Buy Evening and raised £50 for the children. It was great seeing Jacko in his auctioneer role, with the Cubs bidding for all types of treasures!

We hired Mill Rythe pool and had a go at swimming badges as well as just having fun swimming. Thanks to Jan Allgood for life-saving - not that she had to jump in!!!!



We had one evening when all Cubs brought along a friend to see what we do at Cubs and some joined us after finding out about what we do. As part of the 100 year challenge we then invited some "old Scouts" along to tell us about what they did when they were in Scouts quite a number of years ago. They ran bases showing their skills in compass, observation, first aid and knots, using the staves etc. that they still had! At the end of the evening the Sixers presented them with the Centenary neckerchiefs.

We regularly went along the Billy Line and onto the shore, mostly having fire lighting and cooking as the main challenge as it rained often! We had a very interesting evening at the Coastguards, finding out about their work.

Our Christmas treat was to go to Krazy Kaves, wear ourselves out, eat our tea and then join in the Christingle service at St Peter's.

Every evening we have three trophies that we award. One is for the best six, one for the smartest Cub and one for the Cub who demonstrates his commitment to the Promise. This has become a good-hearted challenge of individuals as well as team work.

As part of the County Cub Challenge we had two teddies, which travelled around the county to as many packs as they could, join us for an evening. They were quite well-behaved but we were glad to see them move on to Denmead District. We invited parents to come along and be entertained with jokes, musical skills and sketches and join us in some singing as part of the Entertainer's Badge.

As it was our 90th birthday year we spent some evenings meeting challenges that had 90 times within the challenge. We joined Jupiter Pack in September at Rob Bond's field for a weekend camp. Fiona and Jacko took care of Saturn Pack (as I have decided to hang up my tent) and although not huge amounts of sleep were had, the usual fun of camp was enjoyed by all.

Thanks, Aaron and Andrea, for inviting us. And Claire and her Mum for making a superb birthday cake.



As part of Group activities we joined in the St George's Day Parade, Lions Charity Walk (in the rain, of course), Harvest Festival at St Andrews Church, the Christmas Post (as we all got the Centenary neckerchiefs from the money raised from this event) and the District Thinking Day Service in Havant.

And, of course, we went to camp for the fantastic Lyons Copse Siege! What a fabulous weekend we all had. I have never seen flour and water go so far or make so much mess! Some Leaders even appeared to be having a good time throughout the weekend despite not getting much sleep and using vast amounts of energy! A big thank you to Aaron for all his hard work in the planning of this event. It did not rain but still everyone got wet!



We took part in the Cub District Football Competition. One team won all their league games but lost the semi-final on penalties. The other team met very fierce opposition (namely Jupiter pack!) and despite not winning any games played with true sportsmanship. Well done to you all and the team captains, Marc Rawson and James Hooker who did such a good job.

As usual the pack would never achieve what it does without the great team I have around me. Jacko and Fiona are always ready to go that extra mile for the pack - even agreeing to take on camping with the pack. Fiona returned to us after gaining her degree in podiatry - well done, Fiona! James Hawley, Emily Letchford and Rebecca Hawke have been working towards their Duke of Edinburgh's Awards and have been great assets to the pack.

A huge thank you to all the parents who always say yes when I ask for help - it is great to know we have that sort of essential support. Thanks also to the Group Development Team too as they do all the business stuff which allows the Leaders to get on with the fun stuff.

Thank you all.

Mandy

Eagle Troop

It is said that the founders of Eagle troop invented the word "awesome" - I don't know if it's true but I feel there is no better word to describe Eagle troop today.



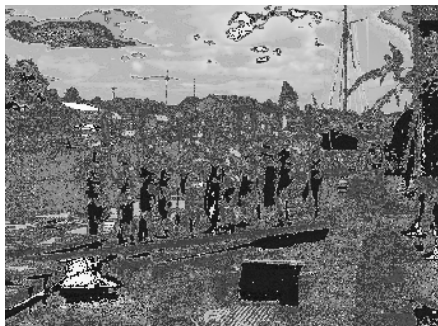
We started the Summer term in 2006 with St George's Day and then many weeks of amazing activity. We again completed the Round Langstone Walk, pulling our Trek Carts the full 15 miles in the pouring rain. Undaunted, the Scouts completed the final push from the Ferry to the Station Theatre in double-quick time. I was very proud of them all for their "awesome stickability".

It was then time for three of our Patrols to take part in the Gunnell Trophy, our District Camping Competition. Although we did not win (well done, Lions) the Scouts showed a great improvement in their Scouting and Camping skills from the previous year - a reflection on their efforts and those of our Leadership team.

Just two weeks later we were taking part in the Siege of Lyons Copse, one "awesome" event.

- Question: How do you keep 120 young people aged 6 to 18 active for a whole day (and also thirty adults)?
- Answer: Organise a giant water fight!

Summer Camp 06. What an activity to start this report with. The highlight of the Scouting year, summer camp. This year we travelled to



Devon, to the beautiful site at Caddihoe. We packed in plenty of traditional scouting, from fire lighting to pioneering the coolest tower ever. Due to the site and location we were able to achieve a wide range of other exciting activities. These included climbing and abseiling at a local rock centre, kayaking down mini waterfalls, we hit bull's-eyes in both archery and rifle shooting, and rented the local swimming pool.

In between the group activities we found time for plenty of patrol challenges. We held the inter-patrol Caddihoe Olympics. One evening the patrols planned their menus, bought the ingredients and cooked their own 3-course meals, to which the Leaders were invited as guests. The standard of camping was very high, by the end of the week every patrol had perfectly pitched Nijers, good as new washing up, and gadgets galore.



Spare a thought for the Patrol Leaders who fell for "some Guides have got lost and they are asking for help with search parties". They were dropped of in the middle of nowhere with a map, compass and a note saying they had been tricked. I was reminded that *A Scout is Honest...* it was just a little fib!

My favourite part of the whole week was the campfire. We sang all our favourite songs, did camp fire sketches and sang way too many rounds of the beans song (don't ask). It was classic Scouting at its finest, a strong Scout troop sitting around a fire, having fun and letting Devon know Eagles were there.

In the Autumn term we mixed evenings learning valuable skills, with others just for fun. To reel off just a few: Fire lighting, First aid, Wide games, Conkers, Obstacle Pioneering, Graveyard Hike, Map games, Casino evening and Cooking. Although I am sure most evenings covered both criteria.

It was a good turn-out by Eagles for the Remembrance Parade. I was proud of Robert Durrell who represented us when laying our wreath at the Cenotaph.

2006 was finished off with an enjoyable session Ice Skating at Gosport.

Before we knew it 2007 was upon us, the 100th year of Scouting, and what a year it is proving to be. Our first evening back was dedicated to making woggles for our new Centenary "neckers". When I was away, due to exams, Dave organised a media evening. This involved editing interviews on laptops, producing very funny end results. We have held a Scouting Centenary Quiz Night and found time for some archery (thanks to Jacko),

pioneer tower building and soap carving. The troop's most extreme evening was the night mountain biking at Queen Elizabeth Country Park - an Eagle tradition. Descending a hill when all you can see is three metres in front of you and a stream of bike lights ahead is a real thrill.

This brings us to the current Summer term. It is possibly the busiest we have ever tackled. It is centred around badge work with a theme of health and fitness. The first half of the term has already seen most of the troop earn their First Aid Stage 2 badge and the Swimmer Stage 4 - a great result for the Scouts. Also as a troop we are working on the Fitness Challenge Award. Our challenge is the 15-mile trek round Langstone Harbour on the Lions Charity Walk. Our preparation involves regular training sessions pulling trekkarts on the Hayling Billy line. Each week we have been pushing ourselves further. A great effort for two worthy causes.

The rest of the summer just gets busier: three camps and plenty of outdoor activities for our Tuesday evenings. District Camp is on Hayling, a great opportunity for a fun weekend. Summer Camp (Hants 007) is going to be huge, to celebrate the Centenary of Scouting. All the PLs are very keen to enter their patrols into the Gunnell Competition Camp. Come the end of August we are all going to need a good lie down.

I would like to thank the Scouts and Leaders for allowing me to play at Scouting. Without them I would be running around the HQ on my own. I am more excited than ever about the future of Eagle troop. It truly has been an AWESOME year.

Edd

Lion Scout Troop

A year has passed and many of the older Scouts have left for pastures new. We have lots of new faces wishing to join in the games and activities and face the trials and tribulations that will come before them. Just how will James get wet at the BBQ this time and can we poison him with our cooking?

This year so far we have cooked up a storm with a Quattro of Mexican, French, Italian & English foods. Who will be the next Master Chef of the Year? And will we impress the Gunnell judges?



In June, Otter patrol won the Gunnell Trophy, our District Camping Competition and in September came 7th in the Hampshire competition (The Emlyn Trophy). Well done to Alistair and your patrol on a great achievement.

Two weeks later we were all getting wet as we led the Siege of Lyons Copse. The whole weekend was really cool.



Summer Camp this year came with rain, which is first for many years. Our activities included trips to Digger Land (spurring many new careers! Joell!) and Exeter for a shopping trip (sorry about the naff prezzies), canoeing on the River Exe, water fights, toss the caber, star

gazing, roasting the chicken that never cooked! Oh and how to date girls. What to do and what not to do by Alistair (as verified by Claire and Claire) Tyre rolling, apple bobbing, and camp fire circle cleaning for which Lion troop is famous.



This was followed by a huge campfire for which we are also famous (bring your sun screen!) Thirteen of us completed our Survival Badges, even though we thought there were escaped convicts about in the area. We were brave!

For Winter Camp we went to Butchers Coppice for Joel's Chief Scout Award, which Joel passed with flying colours. Campfire cleaning was top of our list again, so this meant we had to have a great big fire to finish it off! What a way to party! And just to cool down we decided to have some fun with the tunnels at Splashdown, the local swimming baths, having races to see who could come down the flumes the fastest.

At the end of year party we had a gamble and had a casino evening. James (Bond) thought we should Live and Let Die and see the Casino Royal. We were all suited and booted, the works, even Pussy Galore would have been impressed. It was a great evening, enjoyed by all (back handers? What back handers?)

2007 is the Centenary of Scouting. We have so many activities planned for this year, we honestly don't know where to start. At the beginning I guess! We have started with gas lamp and cooker safety. We have been pioneering and practicing traditional scouting skills, getting us ready for the 2007 Gunnell Camping Competition, which we are going to win again!

We attended the District Football Competition and came second. Unfortunately, we were beaten by Eagle troop - but it was close. They just need to wait until next year! Ice skating was great fun this year. Claire did two spectacular flops onto the ice....but luckily no cut off fingers and bruised egos this year.

We have to say a special well done to Joel Knight, Alistair Harris, Liam Holden, Zach Allgood, Sam Whiteland-Smith (aka Ray Mears / Tea boy) for passing their Gold Chief Scout's Awards. Well done, guys!

We are now looking forward to our summer camp as this year will be a special one celebrating 100 years of Scouting with lots of new activities to try and new friends to meet.

See you in the year

The boys, Lion Troop

(Oh, and thanks to our Leaders James, Jim, Merv, Claire & Claire)

Nexus Explorers

How is Explorers different from Scouts? The answer can be found in what they did over the last year!



challenges.

First, the Explorers decide and run their own programme with the leaders supporting where required. This leads to some very inventive programmes including sweet making, tent painting, scrapheap challenge, disk golf, curry making evening along with the familiar wide games, treasure hunts and pioneering

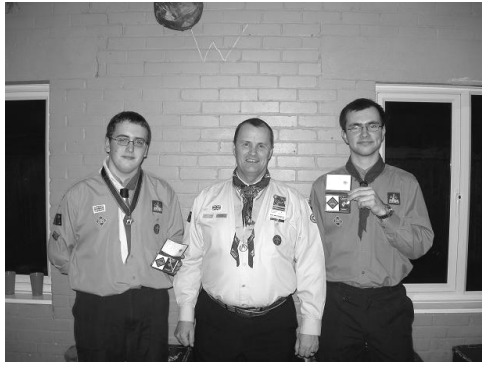
The Unit has also run a couple of Camps. Last summer 17 Explorers spent a week in the Lake District planning and undertaking challenges such as Climbing, Gorge Walking, Quad Biking and Dragon Boating, not forgetting the fantastic sunsets over Tower Rock. At Easter this year the Explorers organised and ran a Rhodi Camp for 13 Explorers with very little leader help at Broadstone Warren. Thank you to Jill and Jamie for the hard work to make this happen. It is not easy planning these Camps.

Other than these Camps, Explorers also went along to the County Winter Camp and the Trek Cart Race in the New Forest.

The highlight of the year was the Unit building and defending a fort at the Group Camp, a great way of realising how Custer felt, especially having run out of water bombs.



The Unit has also completed its fair share of service helping out other Sections within the Group and also at Homewell and Bedhampton. Explorers have also helped run County Events for Scouts including the County Winter Camp, Get Active and the County Summer Camp along with planning for this year's Hampshire Jamboree.



A highlight of the year for two Explorers, Rob Venus and Alan Oakes, was the completion of their Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award and Queen's Scout Award. They, along with Charles Harrison and Richard Bingham (who have nearly completed the same Awards), have had to undertake a series of challenges including Expeditions,

Service to the Community and learning new skills. Very few youngsters across the country complete these Awards and it is a major achievement and credit to them.

We were very grateful to ACE for their generous donation of our own Explorer Section flag which we now proudly parade at various times throughout the year. Simon and Jill presented Paul Fisher with one of our Centenary Neckerchiefs as a thank you.



The success of the Unit relies on the Explorers wanting to plan and organise their own programme. The Unit nominates a Chairman for a year from September each year and I would like to thank Charles and Simon along with Jill who has acted as Deputy Chairman with Simon for pulling everything together and taking a lead.

Charles and Simon have received a great deal of support from Tony and Tom over the year, who as leaders, have the difficult task of supporting the Explorers to make their own decisions, planning and organising without leading. A final thank you to Terry who has worked with most of the Explorers over the last few years to help and guide them through their DoE Awards. Terry spends an incredible amount of time working with them, much of which is rarely seen. Without his commitment and expertise supporting the Explorers, it would be very difficult to do DoE.

Dominic Howell



Sponsorship & Fundraising Report

This year, as part of our five-year plan 'Looking Outwards', we have begun to develop further our programme of sponsorship. The aims and objectives of the programme are detailed elsewhere. At the front of this Annual Report, you will find a table of individuals and organisations who have sponsored specific badges. Also shown is a table of supporters who have helped us either financially or with use of facilities and equipment. The contributions to the Group from these sources have been a vital component in funding and managing our activities over the past year and are much appreciated.

Our Book Sales in November and June were once again highly successful and well attended, raising over £1400 in total. Special thanks must go to Mark Standing, who has now stepped down. He has organised 25 sales, sorted in excess of 75,000 books and raised over £14,000 in the past thirteen years. Without Mark's dedication the sales would



not have achieved their well-deserved reputation. Chairman Philip Blosse presented Mark with an engraved goblet in thanks. These hugely successful events will continue with the help of our dedicated sales team.

In 2006 we supported the Hayling Carnival again by running a Crockery-Smashing Stall, which was a great hit! Much frustration was vented by a large number of people and over £250 was added to our funds.

Following last year's successful Indian Supper Evening, the Desai family again offered to cook some traditional dishes much enjoyed by the 55 people who attended. The evening was organised by Ciara Jamieson-Goode, with help on the night from Explorer Scouts Shona, Kathryn, Zack and Joe, and Clive Allgood who organised a quiz. Our thanks go to all of them. £350 was raised towards our Centenary celebrations.

Once again, members of the Group joined in with the Round Langstone Walk. Beavers, Cubs, Leaders and Parents braved very wet and windy conditions to walk along the Billy Trail to the North Hayling Halt and back again, whilst the Scouts, Explorers and Leaders completed the full 15 miles with two traditional Scout Trek Carts in tow. Sponsorship for our members who took part in the Round Langstone Walk totalled nearly £500. Well done to everyone and our thanks to those of you who sponsored our intrepid wet weather walkers!

In July, the Scouts and Explorers were invited to help again with the Hayling Island Businessmen's Club annual BBQ, helping with the setting up, car parking, and clearing away. For this support we received a donation.

The 100 Club, initiated the previous year for the Raise the Roof Campaign, was continued and made a profit of £350.

Over 150 joined in our Annual Quiz Night raising £600 for the Group Safety and Security Project. Winners of the quiz for the fifth time were ACE. Many thanks to Mandy Hawke and Fiona Jordan Harrison for organising the event, and to our resident quizmaster Billy Ault, former Leader with the Group, and Ann & Eddie Ault who acted as markers and scorers.

Our 25th consecutive Christmas Post raised nearly £1,000 with the delivery of over 6,000 cards. Our Explorers worked hard to complete the sorting in five hours. The profit was put towards the special Centenary neckerchiefs given to every member of the Group. Many thanks to everyone who helped us to sort and deliver the cards.



Over twenty Scouts and Explorers took part in a three-hour session of Bag Packing at ASDA raising £700 towards their participation in the Centenary activities later in 2007. Pleasing to hear were the number of positive comments about their smartness, politeness and good humour.



3rd Hayling Scout Group

Minutes of Awards and Presentations Evening held on Wednesday 14 June 2006 at Scout Headquarters, Kings Road, Hayling Island

Rev. Malcom Bull led the meeting in a short prayer.

Chairman's Welcome

Chairman Dr Philip Blossie welcomed the Mayor of Havant, Cllr. Richard Brown, (one-time Group Scout Leader of Waterloooville), County Cllr. Ted Gale, Cllrs. Frank Pearce, Sheila Pearce and Andy Lenaghan, District Commissioner Nigel Valette, District Explorer Scout Commissioner Steve Whitcombe and Jackie Martin of the Havant District Executive Committee. Other representatives were Jan Randall *Headteacher Mengham Infant School*, Meyrick Marston & John Cottle *Hayling Island Businessmen's Club*, Rev. Malcolm Bull *Hayling Anglican Churches*, Paul Fisher *ACE, Hayling Island Residents' Association*, Pearl Phillips *Lions Club* and Brian and Janet Bocking *Red Cross*. Approximately 70 people attended, and the Chairman was glad to welcome so many guests and supporters of Hayling Scouts in view of the fact that the FIFA World Cup was currently being televised, and thankful the England team was not playing this evening.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from:

David Willetts MP *President Havant District Scout Council*, Mrs. J. Queripel *Headteacher Mill Rythe Junior School*, Mrs. Patricia Lock *Headteacher Mill Rythe Infant School*, Tim Pike *ACC Explorers, Greater London*, Stan & Avis Dickin *Havant District Scout Council*, Mike Henwood *Havant District Scout Council*, Rev. Paul Ginever *St. Mary's Church*, Rev. Ann Leonard, *St. Andrew's & St. Peter's Churches*, Richard Tidd *Hayling Island Barbecue Society*, Gillian Scarff *Red Cross & ex-Scout Leader*, John Scarff, Iris Long & Lilian Guildford *Red Cross*, Susan Beevor *Divisional Commissioner Guides*, Peter Rowson & Ciara Jamieson-Goode *Executive Committee*, Lorraine Haskell *Secretary*, Mandy Hawke & Jim Simpson *Scout Leaders*, Sally Jones *Subs Admin. Eagle Troop*, Judy Drury, Avril Keyes, Chris & Lynn Holland, Trevor Burden *Book Sales Team*, Colin Boniface, Colin Chrisp, Dr. Luke Houghton, John Hubbard, Douglas Husband *ex-3rd Hayling Scouts*, Pete & Audrey Willingham, Brian & Ina Smith, Andrew Goodwin, Margaret Proud, Eileen Clark *ex-Scout Leaders*, Dennis Doney & John Pitt *ex-Chairmen*, Graham Ramsden & Harold Shenton *ex-Executive Committee*, David & Joan Roberts.

Thanks were expressed to John Clayton of Bishops for printing this year's Report. Included with the Report was the latest edition of 3rd Hayling's newsletter, *The Woggle*, and forms for joining the 100 Club. The Chairman congratulated the Leaders on their section reports and invited the Treasurer Mary Pike to comment on her report. Mary spoke of the amazing year with regard to fundraising for the new roof and was pleased the year had ended with a small surplus. The Chairman added that a £2,000 loan from Havant Scout Council had still to be taken into account, but thanked Mary for her hard work.

The Chairman expressed his gratitude to all who had made donations towards the cost of the roof, many of whom were present at this meeting. The work had been completed on time and within budget, and all members of the Group had benefited from spending their winter meetings in a warm and dry headquarters. To complement the roof, new front doors had been fitted and the perimeter fence had been replaced. The Chairman spoke of his pride in what had been achieved over the past year, particular mention being made of the Group's website (www.haylingscouts.org.uk) set up by Group Scout Leader Ian Hawke, and the Chairman gave a live demonstration of what information was available on our current website (also a commercial for the Hayling Flower Club coffee morning next Saturday, a donation from the proceeds of which is to be made to 3rd Hayling Scouts). Following the Group's policy since 1992 of having a five-year plan, the most recent of which began with "Beyond 2002", work is currently in progress to produce the next plan and this will be announced in 2007.

Group Scout Leader's Report

Ian Hawke thanked guests for attending, and in particular the Leaders who, for at least 44 weeks of each year, freely give their time for the love of Scouting. Ian also emphasised that the Group could not exist without the help and support of the Chairman and Executive Committee for which he was grateful. On average it costs the Group £136 per member per annum. Subscriptions contribute £66; Gift Aid £2,000; the Quiz £1,000; Christmas Post (now in its 25th year) £1,000; Book Sales £1,600; other contributions this year included the proceeds from a Curry Evening and a crockery smashing stall at the Carnival. Ways of minimising the Group's costs are being explored, for example an agreement had been reached with Mill Rytte Holiday Village for them to sponsor the cost of providing some of the badges (e.g. cooking and life-saving). Raising the profile of the Group within the community was also important and the possibility of links on websites are being explored for supporters to show their endorsement of 3rd Hayling Scouts.

Ian reported that every week on Hayling 160 youngsters aged between 6 and 18 put on their Scout uniform to attend meetings. In 2007 one hundred years of Scouting will be celebrated and England will be hosting the World Jamboree, to which two 3rd Hayling Scouts have been invited. All members of the Scouting movement nationwide will have the opportunity to join in the celebration of 100 years of Scouting. Ian quoted statistics of 420,000 Scout members in the UK, 216 countries belong to the Scout movement, and just 5 countries with no recognised Scouting. All this stemmed from the initial camp on Brownsea Island with a small group of boys led by Lord Baden-Powell in 1907. Also to be held in 2007 will be the Hampshire Jamboree, organised by 3rd Hayling Explorer Leader Dominic Howell with help from Tom Lincoln, and Steve Whitcombe, District Explorer Leader.

Other points Ian made were that:

- 6 of the current Leaders in the Group were aged under 30
- all but 3 of the Executive Committee were parents of current members (with apologies to Ed Harrison, aged 20, who is quoted in the Report as being a parent representative – Ian wished to make it clear that Ed is NOT yet a parent)
- 3rd Hayling this year enrolled their first female Beaver, and will soon be enrolling their first female Cub

- a group for those aged 18-25 is soon to be formed

Committee Nominations 2006-2007

Ian Hawke paid tribute to the leadership of Dr Blossie as Chairman and thanked him for agreeing to continue as Chairman for the forthcoming year. Further nominations for the committee included Mary Pike Treasurer, Pete Goddard Quartermaster, Ciara Jamieson-Goode, Jo Hawley, Clive Allgood, Nigel Kenny, Samantha Mill, Peter Rowson and Graham Chapman. Nominations were proposed by Carolyn Wager and seconded by Andrew Harrison. The Chairman welcomed Graham Chapman, the new member of the Executive Committee.

Awards and Presentations

The Chairman presented a plaque in recognition of everyone who had supported the Raise the Roof Appeal.

The Fred Rook Award for Service to the Community was presented to Explorer **Charles Harrison**.

The David Baker Memorial Award for Commitment to the Scout Laws was presented to Leader **Clare Ashley**.

Engraved glass goblets were presented to **Carolyn Wager** for her work on the Executive Committee and **Lorraine Haskell** (in absentia) for her work as Secretary, both of whom had stepped down from the Committee but had agreed to continue to work with the Book Sales Team.

Alan Perfett and (in absentia) **Trevor Burden** were presented with engraved glass goblets in appreciation of their work on the Book Sales.

Terry Brinnen was made an honorary member of Nexus Explorers for his weekly help with the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and was presented with a Nexus shirt by Explorer Charles Harrison.

2007 World Jamboree

Scouts Jordan Reed and Alistair Harris described the extensive procedure by which they were selected to represent 3rd Hayling as part of the Hampshire contingent of 72 Scouts at next year's World Jamboree, and emphasised how lucky they felt to be given such a wonderful opportunity. Jordan and Alistair then outlined the ways in which they will each raise the sum of £1,000 plus a further £200 contribution towards the cost of sending to the Jamboree a Scout from a less-affluent country.

Expedition to Nepal and Himalayas

Explorer Scout Karl Zillman gave an illustrated presentation of his memorable 8-week expedition in 2005 to Nepal and the Himalayas with nine fellow Explorers from Hampshire. Karl described their training for altitude, the journey to Nepal, the community service undertaken (painting of school buildings) and the trek to Everest base camp, which culminated in the successful climbing of Island Peak at over 20,000ft. (6,189m). At 16 years old, he was one of the youngest ever to achieve this remarkable feat.

Conclusion

At the conclusion of the meeting the Chairman thanked everyone present for their continued support and invited them to refreshments.



Beyond 2002

Making Life Easier
for All

2002 to 2007

Objective

To investigate and implement changes that would address the following questions:

1. What would help me with my responsibilities
2. What would I like to see done differently
3. What do we need to do to ensure Scouting remains strong on Hayling.

Scope

- The questions were asked of the Leaders, our Executive Committee and a subset of Parents.
- The lists were merged and prioritised
- There were no boundaries applied during the initial data gathering phases.
- Cost was not to be considered an inhibitor for any idea.

What Did We Achieve?

Running a Scout Group

- All tasks required to run a Scout Group documented and from these roles and job descriptions developed.
- New Group management structure defined from the above and roles that needed volunteers were published.
 - (e.g. Gift Aid Coordinator, Caretaker, HQ Bookings, HQ and Land Management & Maintenance etc).
- The new structure was implemented in 2003.

Safety & Security Project

- New Roof, Windows, Doors (back & front) & lighting
- New Kitchen work surfaces and drinking fountain

Young Leaders

- We focussed on bringing in more young leaders and now have an average age of under 35 for Scouts / Explorers.

Sharing Programmes, Games and Ideas

- We have added a regular feature to our Leaders' meetings to share ideas, and hold an Annual Leader Games evening.
- Skill sessions for Leaders

Celebrate 75 Years

- A magical Group Camp with a difference for our 75th Birthday in 2004.

Other Items

- Replaced / renewed games and activity equipment
- Meetings to look forwards, not backwards
- Admin workload on Leaders reduced through parent volunteers (Subs, Collection, Lists)
- Improvements to regular communications and introduction of "The Woggle" newsletter and the Group Web Site: www.haylingscouts.org.uk



2007 to 2012

Objective

To increase the awareness of what Scouting can offer today in order that we can:

- Broaden the appeal of Scouting to young people
- Help adults to better understand our values and the opportunities we provide
- Enhance the support we receive from the community, business and other organisations

Scope

The following questions resulted from meetings of the Leadership Team and the Group Development Committee:

- Whilst we do not exclude anyone from Scouting, are we being pro-active to include as many people as possible?
- Do today's parents understand the Scouting "game"?
- Support comes in many ways, do we capitalise on them all?
- How do we help those with special needs, whether these are financial, social, physical, or mental?

What Are We Doing?

Accessibility

- Exploring what we do as a Group and what we could do differently
- Developing ways we can "get the Scouting message" across to a wider audience
- Having clear and understandable procedures in place to help those individuals / families with special needs
- Using different approaches to engage with young people, for example Activity Days, "Bring a Friend" evenings.

Support - How others may help us

- Leadership / help with the Sections
- Help with our Events
- Other practical help for the Group
- Financial
- Sponsorship
- Visible and public endorsement of our Goals and Aims

Education

- Understand what makes Scouting different
- Remove the myths and the fears

Promotion and Publicity

- How can we make best use of differing media types (local press, web sites etc)
- Publicly celebrate our successes
- Every member of the Group needs to be a positive ambassador, but we need to provide them with the information.

Publicly recognise those businesses and organisations that help us.

Accounts and Membership Summary

