



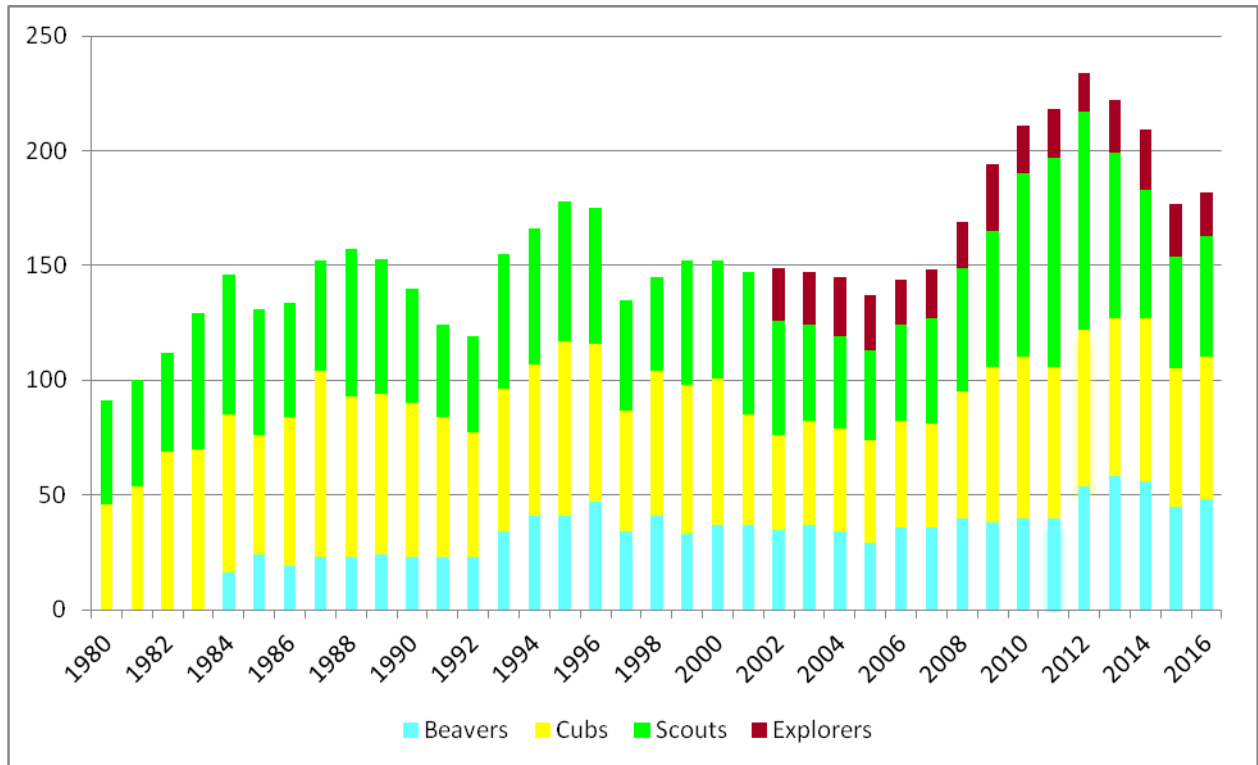
3rd Hayling Group Annual Report 2015 - 2016



Queen's Scout Award

Youth Membership

at 31st January 2016



Roll of Honour 2015 / 2016

Beavers - Chief Scout's Bronze Award

Amanda Bond	Redwood	Charlie Lilley	Redwood
Cavan Bull	Aspen	Ruben Pike	Aspen
Alisdair Combe	Aspen	Toby Smith	Maple
Finlay Furlong	Aspen	Felix Snell	Maple
Thomas Griffiths	Aspen	Lucas Symonds	Redwood
Tyler Harrow	Aspen	Hugo Wheeler	Aspen
Caden Hedgcock	Redwood		



Cubs - Chief Scout's Silver Award

Tobey Gannon	Saturn	Thomas Law	Jupiter
Kai Hensby	Mars	Arthur Lilley	Saturn
Harley Hobbs	Saturn	Joshua Mayrs	Mars
Owen Hughes	Saturn	Kaii McCormack	Mars
Wyatt Humphrey	Mars	Cameron Turner	Mars
Imogen Johnson	Mars	Hayden Van-Zeil	Saturn
Rhys Jones	Mars		



Scouts - Chief Scout's Gold Award

Craig Cooper Sharks



Nexus Explorer Scout Unit

Chief Scout's Platinum Award



Kaj Carter
Liam Holden
Jordan Reed

Queen's Scout Award



Nexus Explorer Scout Unit / Young Leader Unit – Young Leader Award

Dominic Allgood	Dan Law
Craig Cooper	Cameron MacCallum
Hannah Kirby	Charlotte Saunders



Leader / Adult Awards

Training – Wood Badge

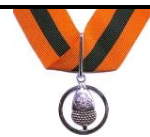
Sandra Delaney



Award of Merit



Silver Acorn



Group Development Committee 2015-16

Group Scout Leader

Ian Hawke

Assistant Group Scout Leaders

Mandy Hawke

Aaron Pycroft

Officers

Chairman

Dr Philip Blosse

Treasurer

Mary Pike

Secretary

Position Vacant

Specific Roles

HQ Manager

Pete Rowson

HQ Projects

Andrew Harrison

Quartermaster

Peter Goddard

Service Crew

Geoff Hick (p)

Badge Secretary

Nigel Kenny (p)

Transport Manager

Clive Allgood (p)

Parent Representatives

Nicola Jenner (p)

Kevin Richardson (p)

Diane Stanway (p)

Dave Stanway (p)

Jean Bates

Uniformed Representatives

Beaver Scouts

Aspen Colony

Fiona Jordan-Harrison (p)

Maple Colony

Kerry Rogers (p) / Jen Ford (p)

Redwood Colony

Linda Hunter

Cub Scouts

Jupiter Pack

Andrea Heath

Mars Pack

Jan Allgood (p)

Saturn Pack

Sarah Bailey (p)

Scouts

Eagle Troop

Ed Harrison

Lion Troop

Jamie Bray / Tom Lincoln

Shark Troop

Jordan Reed

Explorer Scouts

Nexus Unit

James Perfett

Young Leaders

Mandy Hawke

Active Support Unit

Dreadnought

Tom Lincoln

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

Group Supporting Roles 2015-2016

Finance Team

Subscriptions Secretary

Gift Aid Coordinator

Karen Wells / Diane / Dave Stanway

Kim Lovegrove / Diane / Dave Stanway

HQ Team

HQ Coordinator

HQ Support

HQ Projects

Caretaker

HQ Cleaning

Grounds

Lettings Coordinator

Pete Rowson

Alan Perfett

Andrew Harrison

Explorers

Alan Scutt

Ian Hawke

Leader Support Team

Badge Secretary

Secondhand Uniform

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Coordinator

Nigel Kenny

Terry Brinnen

Promotions & Events

Book Sales

Quiz

Promotions

Philip Blosse

Mandy Hawke / Billy Ault

Position Vacant

Leader Support Service Team

Activities Support Team

Drivers Support Team

Transport Manager

QM Support

10 Names

Robert Bond

Clive Allgood

Alan Scutt

Leader Support Skills Team

Archery Team

Air Rifle Team

Walls & Towers

Paul Jackson, Jamie Bray, Wolf Clostermann

Jamie Bray, Tom Lincoln, Aaron Pycroft

Paul Jackson, Tom Lincoln, Jordan Reed

Group Support 2015-2016

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

C.N. Clarke

Hayling Islander

ACE / LIONS

HI Businessmen's Club

Stoke Fruit Farm

AMEY

Smith & Austin

Photocopying & various other duties

Auditor

For their continued Support

For their financial support and help

For their financial support and help

Sponsorship of our Annual Quiz

For their time & Effort repainting the HQ

For their help and support to our Kitchen

Project

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

Rae's

Identity Hairdressing

Country Foods

Sandy Point Stores

Bentley Walkers

Cards 4 Occasions

Stoke Fruit Farm

Red Cross Centre

And of course to all individuals and businesses on Hayling who support us and endorse our aims in many ways. These are shown by name towards the end of this report.

Chairman's Report

When preparing my report each year, I browse through the News Archive on the Hayling Scouts website to remind myself (as my memory is not what it used to be!) of the events that have taken place over the last twelve months. I am always amazed at the variety of activities and challenges that our Leaders present to our young Scouts on Hayling. You only have to read through the Section Reports in this Annual Report to get a flavour of the year's activities.

Perhaps equally amazing is the fact that three Queens Scouts Awards have been presented in one year - a feat achieved only once before in Hayling Scout Group more than 60 years ago! Credit must go to our three Scouts, Kaj Carter, Jordan Reed and Liam Holden, and also to their Leaders and everyone who has assisted them in this tough challenge.

We have also seen the benefits this year of the investments made in our Headquarters in Kings Road. The new Day Hall has proved to be an invaluable resource by offering, in conjunction with the main hall, a facility where we can not only maximise space for Section meetings but also bring functions such as book sales and quiz nights into our own facilities. Not only has it made these events more practical and profitable but has also brought hundreds of people into our Scouting environment for them to get a flavour of the activities and resources of a successful Scout Group.

This report will be my last as Chairman as I have decided to pass on the baton after many years of enjoyable as well as challenging times with 3rd Hayling Scout Group. Over this period, we have seen a steady growth in the size of the Group and the number of Sections, despite the attraction of other activities available to our young people today. This has resulted in the completion of no less than four major extensions to our Headquarters, the replacement of a very leaky roof and the installation of two replacement kitchens, the last of which was completed this year thanks to donations from Hayling Lions Club and Andrew Harrison.



In addition, we now have an impressive fleet of trailers managed by Clive Allgood and James Perfett for transporting equipment. We also have an equipment store managed by Peter Goddard with an impressive and well-managed stock of camping gear for all seasons.

These resources would not have been achievable by our own fundraising alone and our thanks must go to all the organisations, businesses and private individuals who have supported Scouting on Hayling over many years. Their support has given the Leaders the essential resources to create exciting activities for our young people on Hayling.

We should not forget in this context the time and effort given by our Leaders and helpers in managing the Sections every week. In particular, it is very encouraging to see many young Leaders now running the Sections and bringing in their own range, and sometimes quite wacky, programmes to capture the interest and involvement of the youngsters. Last, but not least, success also comes from the top down and I have been privileged to work alongside two outstanding Group Scout Leaders, Colin Vaughan and Ian Hawke, who have driven Hayling Scouts forward whilst retaining the basic values of Scouting which are recognised worldwide.

As Chairman, I have managed our Group Development Team (GDT) and been fortunate over the years to have their strong support which ensures that the Leaders have the resources to perform their tasks.

All of this resource and effort results in an impressive range of activities for our young people - and at a charge for parents of less than £2 per week! Where else today can you find such a range of activities for children at such a low cost. Furthermore, we have been able to keep this subscription unchanged for five years which helps to ensure that Scouting is available to all families regardless of financial circumstances.

Finally, I must thank my wife Valerie for her support and patience in supporting me in my Scouting years as Chairman. Planning and organisation is not one of my strengths and Valerie has managed to keep me on the 'straight and narrow' when the chips are down.

The new chairman, Aaron Pycroft, has been involved with the Group for many years and will have my full support during this transfer period. I have every confidence that he will be an excellent chairman in support of Scouting on Hayling.

Dr Philip Blosse
Chairman

Group Scout Leader's Review

So another year goes by without much happening. Only:-

- 1500 nights spent away from home, either in Camp or with Sleepovers
- 30 top awards, including 3 Queen's Scout Awards
- 1200 badges presented
- 6 Young Leader Awards
- A new Kitchen
- A redecorated main hall
- £4000+ Profit from Book Sales

Of course and as I always state it is what takes place each week in the HQ that really matters and Hayling Island is so fortunate to have a large dedicated team of adults who provide an amazing variety of opportunities for young people - which is why they keep coming back.

During any year we say goodbye and hello to this team of adults. This year we have said thank you and good luck to Rebecca Hawke (Saturn Cubs), Shawn Lambert (Saturn Cubs), Tony Jeacock (Maple Beavers), Nicola Jenner (Group Development Team), Geoff Hick (Group Development Team), Karen Wells (Subs Coordinator) and Kim Lovegrove (Gift Aid). We all appreciate your contribution to the success of Scouting on Hayling Island.

At the same time we have welcomed Pippa Bostock (Aspen Beavers), Kerry Rogers (Maple Beavers), Jen Ford (Maple Beavers), Barney Pycroft (Eagle Troop), Kaj Carter (Saturn Pack), and the return of Abi Peett (Redwood Beavers / Mars Cub Pack) and Helen Pickles (who after a short break has joined Aspen Beavers). Kevin Richardson, Diane & Dave Stanway have joined our Group Development Team along with Jean Bates who previously helped with Aspen and Maple Beavers.

Change is a way of life and especially in Scouting. I have already commented on changes to the Leadership and support teams, Scouting has changed the design and content of a number of badges, expectations of young people and their parents have undoubtedly changed during my time in Scouting but the values of Scouting remain the same today as when the movement first started 109 years ago.

These values are very clearly demonstrated in each of the section reports and show how innovation and imagination can provide activities that help develop multiple skills for those taking part. The flexibility and continuing willingness to try out new ideas is also very evident in these reports and our Leaders deserve our highest praise for what they achieve with the young people.

Not only is it the activities in the HQ that make for successful Scouting it is also making the best of our environment and other places of interest that is important in

the development of any person (young or old). The sleepover held at the Portsmouth Dockyard was clearly great fun for all ages taking part.

So why not skip the rest of this report now and get to the interesting bits!!
Back again - I hope that you are now realising why we are always "on a high" and so positive about what can be achieved.

Most of what the Leaders do is only possible because they have the facilities and equipment they need, whether this be the HQ, the tents for camping in, the Archery equipment or just simple ropes and poles. You will see from the Group Accounts that the running costs of our facility now exceed £5000 per annum and not visible from our reports our Camping Equipment has a replacement value of over £20,000. These are huge numbers and it is therefore critical that the management of our Group is structured, professional and of course consistent with the requirements of Scouting and the Charities Commission.

The Group Development Team led by Philip Blosse carry out their duties with enthusiasm and dedication and collectively always ensure that we are in a strong financial position but more importantly able to respond to the changing needs of the Leaders. The Kitchen refurbishment project is a fine example of this. Made possible thanks to the donations received from Andrew Harrison, the lions Club of Hayling and the hard work of Pete Goddard in managing the project we now have a "state of the art" facility to be proud of.

The team are always looking for ways to make things easier with for example Pete Rowson, developing a programme that will enable us to better predict our costs over the coming years, Kevin Richardson, (a new member of the GDT) providing the focus and control to make sure that the needs of the Leaders are clearly identified and delivered whilst Diane and Dave Stanway have consolidated all of the Subs and Gift Aid activity under a single point of contact. Whilst Mary Pike continues to provide outstanding support as Treasurer, there are others who are looking to spend money, such as Nigel Kenny (albeit on Badges to make sure the Leaders can reward achievement) and Clive Allgood (to make sure our Trailers are well maintained and available for use). The whole team is very focussed on doing things we need rather than doing them because we can!

Two years ago, Phil Blosse decided to try running our Book Sales from the HQ rather than Mengham with incredible results. Last year Mandy Hawke and Fiona Jordan-Harrison followed the same approach with our Quiz. Although the space was less and hence slightly fewer teams the event was an amazing success. In each case being able to "showcase" our own facility proved to be an unexpected benefit. Attendees at these events recognised them as "Scouting" events for the benefit of young people rather than events taking place in the local Community Centre / Church Hall.

Back to change....

This will be the last Annual Report where the Chairman's Report will be written by Phil Blossie. One year ago, Phil announced his intention to stand down at this year's meeting and now that time has arrived.

Having been a youth member with the Group gaining his Queen's Scout Award and then an Assistant Scout Leader it was no surprise when on returning to Hayling Island he offered his Services once more to 3rd Hayling. In the mid 1980's, Colin Vaughan the GSL asked Phil to take on the role of Chairman which he accepted without hesitation. Little did he know that any escape plan would fail for the next 30 years!!!

In his time as Chairman, Phil has overseen 4 major building projects, a roof replacement, two Kitchen refurbishments and has raised in excess of £250,000 through Lottery Grants, donations and fund raising.

He remains one of the finest ambassadors for Scouting and especially Hayling Scouts, his enthusiasm has been tireless, his energy limitless, his willingness to try something new knows no bounds and his desire to help others has never waned.

Phil - It has been my real privilege to work with you over many years and as you step down, please do so with pride and in the knowledge that you have made such a positive contribution to the lives of many hundreds of people, young and old.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank to my wife Mandy, who will be the first to point out that I am not very organised. Her support, understanding and putting up with my endless visits to the HQ, or Phil or wherever is very much appreciated.

Jan

We remember Ted Gale a long time supporter of Hayling Scouts and Denis Doney a former chairman of the Group have both sadly passed away and we will always be grateful for their massive contribution to Hayling Scouts. Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with their families.

Treasurer's Report

Income for the year again exceeded £40,000, including the cost of camps and expeditions which are shown in the accounts under the "Money Exchange, camps and trips" line items.

Our objective is that the income from subscriptions should cover the cost of the annual capitation to Scouting HQ, section running costs, books & badges, Leader training and specialist equipment and 75% of the HQ costs (Insurance, Utilities and Maintenance). We are slightly behind in this objective and will review what action, if any, needs to be taken during our November Executive meeting.

Our main income sources continue to be Subscriptions, Gift Aid and Fund Raising, with the latter providing an income of nearly £6000. It is, as a direct result of these events and other generous donations that our annual subscription at £90 remain below that of many other groups and well below that for many other organisations and hobbies.

The overall balance of nearly £35, 000 is inflated by 3 outstanding items of expenditure:-

1. The final invoice for the Kitchen units in the order of £5500
2. The cost of the Marquee Roof replacements due shortly at £1200
3. Final Payments for the Explorers expedition to Kandasteg of £3500

The "Other Events" Expenditure of £1107 includes the cost of Fireworks for both 2014 and 2015 and therefore appears considerable higher than the previous year.

My thanks to Karen Wells for managing the subscriptions across the group and to Kim Lovegrove for dealing with Gift Aid. Both Karen & Kim have now taken a well deserved break from these roles after many years. My thanks to Diane & Dave Stanway for picking up these two key activities.

My thanks also to C. N. Clarke for auditing our accounts. At this time, these accounts are unaudited, but I am sure the draft represents a true summary of our financial affairs.

Mary Pike

3RD HAYLING ISLAND SCOUT GROUP

Charity No. 308136

Year ended 31st March 2016

Income and Expenditure Account

2014/2015	Income	2015/2016
13252.00	Subscriptions	13553.50
5770.00	Donations	3521.00
53.74	Bank interest	56.01
2572.84	Gift Aid	2317.94
29.70	Photocopying	124.56
0.00	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	0.00
0.00	Facilities hire	0.00
0.00	Transport Fund	0.00
704.00	Fundraising: Quiz	581.00
984.16	Christmas Post	758.45
3453.27	Book fair	4860.33
700.53	Other events	645.00
2907.00	World Jamboree	85.00
30427.24	Total	26502.79
13120.00	Money exchange, camps & trips	13862.54
43547.24	Total	40365.33
1440.00	Less: Explorer subs(District)	1710.00
42107.24	Total income	38655.33

FUND STATEMENT

12365.09	COIF fund	12420.98
43.82	Deposit account	43.94
16779.99	Current account	20089.92
0.00	Cash in hand	0.00
29188.90	TOTAL	32554.84
634.02	less o/s cheques/plus o/s gift aid	2317.94
28554.88	TOTAL	34872.78
17813.00	Less: money held on account	20608.00
10741.88		14264.78
	Less: surplus income over expenditure	3522.90
		10741.88

2014/2015	Expenditure	2015/2016
6915.60	Capitation	6770.40
1276.34	Section Allowances	1676.21
102.62	Competitions	68.77
1050.00	Badges	1545.00
392.40	Leader Uniform & Training	439.56
990.68	Photocopier	1089.74
1254.31	Insurance	1336.95
787.81	General expenses	1148.47
2787.14	HQ: Services	2480.04
597.00	HQ: Maintenance	754.76
183.96	Equipment	1946.96
261.28	Day Hall fitting out	0.00
13.50	Transport expenses	373.06
304.80	Fundraising: Quiz	139.00
115.63	Book Fair	549.22
178.03	Other events	1007.39
3000.00	World jamboree	450.00
20211.10	Total	21775.53
0.00	Kitchen Refurbishment	3398.45
16332.78	Money exchange,camps & trips	8873.45
36543.88		34047.43
1440.00	Less: facility use (explorers)	1710.00
35103.88	Total expenditure	32337.43
	Less: money held on 01.04.15	17813.00
	Plus: money held on 31.03.16	20608.00
	Plus:surplus income over expenditure	3522.90
		38655.33
	Money held on account	
2050.00	Transport Fund	1690.00
2052.00	Activities Fund	2034.00
2000.00	Scout Development Fund	2000.00
767.00	World jamboree	0.00
5944.00	Camp & sections Funds	10782.00
5000.00	Building Fund	4102.00
17813.00	Total	20608.00

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

C. N. Clarke Auditors

Date.....

Aspen Beaver Colony

Autumn 2015 Aspen Beavers started on the new Beaver award system. The new badges are vibrant and the programme reflects our ethos of Fun and Friends.



Adventure Challenge



Outdoor Challenge



Teamwork Challenge



Skills Challenge

These four challenge badges, along with the "My World Challenge" and "My Personal Challenge" lead to the Chief Scout's Bronze Award, the highest award for Beaver Scouts. During the past year, Cavan Bull, Alisdair Combe, Finlay Furlong, Thomas Griffiths, Caden Hedgecock, Charlie Lilley, Ruben Pike and Ellis Wheeler have all received this award.

Over the year we have the weekly activities plus additional Aspen events. The aim is a challenging variety of opportunities. Read on and see if we succeeded - or, better still, ask our Beavers.



Over the year we have used the resources the island has to offer. Northney farm with cows and crops and ice cream in the Summer term. The beach, paddling in the summer and a scavenger hunt in the spring. The fire station - the lovely firemen let us use the hoses. The Billy trail cycling in the daylight and torch walk in the dark (looking for night creatures - they were successfully hiding).

These offsite activities are only possible with the support of parents (and their dogs) to give us the correct adult to child ratio.

Within HQ we have used the kitchen for cooking, wheeling out the new units so the Beavers could gather round. During the sleepover we had an altar fire at the back of the HQ for toasting marshmallows and smores plus story telling in the dark.

Then there are those activities where we draw on other expertise. Archery, computers for the communication badge, cycle maintenance using the skills volunteered by one of our enthusiastic parents.

The Autumn term is traditionally used for craft. It started off with traditional Guy making and then in the build up to Christmas, cake decorating, salt dough tree decorations and cards.

The Spring term included our second sleepover of the year - for a young Beaver it's a challenge in itself to be away from the familiarity of home. There is a lot of time for free play in and around badge work to be complete over the evening. Quite exhausting for everyone. The only casualty of the evening was poor teddy. Soon mended.



But for a Beaver, the most exciting thing is to be given your own roll of Sellotape to use how you please. The awards may have changed but the Beavers haven't!

It is now time to say thank you from Aspen Beavers and myself as a Beaver leader. We couldn't provide the varied programme without everyone's support and generosity.

Thanks to the Aspen leaders who are still regularly giving their time: Pippa and Sandra plus our young leaders, Bethan and Dan. We work as a team sharing responsibility for programme planning and delivery.

It's been an honour.

Fiona Jordan Harrison, Beaver Leader, Aspen

Maple Beaver Colony

What a year!

Maple Beavers have had a year of fun, friendship, goodbyes and hello's.

At the end of a varied and action packed Summer Term 2015, Kingfisher had to leave us. The Beavers were sad but very thankful for all her hard work and her tireless energy.

The search was on to find leaders for the Colony. Luckily at the tenth hour Ian managed to recruit two fresh faces into the 3rd Hayling Beavers: Us, Tigermoth and Dragonfly.

In September we became joint leaders guided by the energetic young Leader, Grasshopper.

The Beavers have enjoyed teaching their new leaders all about Maple traditions and have educated us in the finer points of Dodgeball.

What we lacked in experience of leading a Beaver colony we certainly have made up with enthusiasm. Megan, (aka Grasshopper) our young leader, has been a fountain of knowledge and invaluable to the Colony.

So what have we done this year?

The boys in Maple Colony have not stopped. The energy this group of Beavers have is relentless.



We visited the fire station and learnt that our Island is lucky enough to have a one because of we wanted to climb the tower but apparently it was too dark so we have been invited back in the summer to try again.



The Hayling First Responders visited us and we gained our first aid badge. I think we got through all their bandages, great fun evening but with some real skills learnt.

Learning the planets for our space badge was fun. We drew the planets in chalk on the floor and jumped from planet to planet.

Maple Colony have been so inspired by Tim Peake that we applied to grow seeds from the ISS. The Beavers had great fun planting them and watching them grow.



We love exploring Hayling Island. We have visited the War Memorial on the Seafront, had a nature ramble along the Hayling Billy line and visited the local park to let off Cola and mint rockets.

Lego, salt dough, making crispy cakes are all part of the Maple colony life.

The Beavers loved the Popcorn, Hotdog and P.J Movie night. Non stop eating and chattering didn't prevent enjoyment of the film.

Two Beavers (Toby Smith and Felix Snell) have achieved through their hard work the Chief Scout Bronze award. Dragonfly and I were proud to be able to support their efforts.



Now the Beavers in Maple colony are totally different to last year. 90% of the Beavers who have left have moved to Cubs, we wish them luck with their career in scouting. We miss them and thank them for easing our journey into leadership.

On behalf of myself and Dragonfly I would like to thank all Beavers that have passed through our doors since we were lucky enough to become leaders. We are genuinely honored that the beavers choose be part of Maple colony (afterall we are competeing with Netflix and X box) and our aim is to keep them coming back.

We look forward to the Sun and the summer term, crabbing, BBQ's, sleepovers and of course lots more Dodgeball.

Karen (Tigermoth) & Jen (Dragonfly).

Redwood Beaver Colony

Good Evening Beavers

Good Evening Beaver Leaders and Friends

What Are We here for?

Fun and Friends

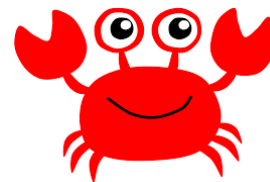
Every Tuesday at 5.30 we start the evening off with this chant. I believe it encompasses all that is good in Scouts. It shows respect to adults and peers alike in a safe environment with like minded people and gives us a focal point to start the activities.

Scouting is not just any old group. It helps to shape our young people into well rounded and motivated young adults. It helps to encourage children to grow in a positive way by offering a multitude of activities they would probably never get to experience. Each week is different. They gain life skills, learn to win and learn to lose gracefully, cook, craft and explore. We help the shy ones to overcome their fears and become more confident. We help the very confident ones to have patience and to bring out the best in others. Traditional Scouting skills such as knots, camp fires, cooking in the open, orienteering can be so useful in many unexpected areas of our life. At 21 my son lived in Fiji for 3 months as a volunteer in a Shark conservation project. One of the many tasks he had to perform was erecting nurseries for mango plants made from bamboo trunks. These needed to be fastened together to make a pergola type structure. His pioneering skills and his knowledge of knots proved invaluable and he was able to teach his fellow volunteers to make sound and solid structures. I remember him phoning and saying he was so glad he had been a Scout, it had helped him so much.

On that note Redwood Beavers have had a very busy year as usual. One of the highlights being our Sleepover on the theme of underwater. On the Saturday crafting activities were in full swing decorating a wonderful array of fish, mermaids, octopus and such like. They made jelly fish using paper plates and tentacles of beads and tissue paper which looked lovely. In one corner we had a beach area complete with palm trees, deck chairs and masses of sand which they all seemed to love playing in. Each Beaver was given a treasure box to decorate using foam modelling clay and gems and we filled them up with sweets and treasure to take home. We also decorated biscuits on the theme and made kites from plastic bin bags and gave them long pretty tails. We all went to the local park and flew them and played on the apparatus. Luckily for us the weather was lovely and the Beavers thoroughly enjoyed themselves. After fish fingers and chips, jelly and ice cream which was fashioned into a cruise liner floating on a jelly sea we watched finding Nemo and settled down for the night. On the Sunday we set them some challenges and worked in teams playing games and building a huge duplo tower. We ended the sleepover with a traditional party game smashing brightly coloured fish pinyatas filled with sweets which they absolutely loved.



We have been out and about making good use of our lovely island visiting our beaches, learning the highway code, cycling along the seafront, playing on the fitness circuit and exploring our environment. We went blackberry picking in Northney and the following week cooked baked apples stuffed with our harvest. Crabbing is now a firm favourite activity and of course no January would be complete without our night stream walk. Our family BBQ was fantastic fun with oodles of food and great weather.



We have celebrated firework night roasting marshmallow on an open fire with sparklers and hot dogs. We made a dragon for Chinese New Year, decorated poppies to commemorate Remembrance Sunday, learnt about St Georges Day through craft and games and joined in several group activities. Beaded keyring's and cards were made for Mother's Day.

One of the highlights was a visit to the fire station. The Beavers climbed aboard a fire engine, and learnt all about what goes on in the fire station complete with flashing lights and sirens. They had a wonderful time and were very well behaved.

I have had a great team to work with this year. Francine has completed over a year with us and her confidence is growing steadily as she runs more activities and I truly thank her for joining our team. William Kenny has had to leave us due to college and work commitments and we miss him, but Matthew King is still going strong and is invaluable. Dominic Allgood has gained his young leader belt and is a credit to his parents and the Scout Association. With his booming voice and boundless enthusiasm he and Matt are exceptional Young Leaders and I thank them wholeheartedly for making the commitment to Beavers. This year also sees Abi Peett joining our ranks. She has such a wealth of Scouting experience and really is a fantastic team member. We also have Leigh Claxton who regularly stays and helps us and is exceptionally good at mucky outdoor activities. I am so lucky to have such wonderful individuals supporting me and they make my role as Leader so much fun and rewarding.

I am concluding this report with the chant we end every session with. I firmly believe all children should at least try Scouting for a term as it gives them so much, with FUN being the operative word. I thank all my lovely parents who support my team and myself and look forward to the coming year.

Shout, Shout, Shout
I'm A Beaver Scout
3 2 1
We Have FUN

Thank you
Linda Hunter (Badger)

Jupiter Cub Pack

Each year I say I'm going to retire and hand over the reins to another, younger leader and in a blink the year has gone by and I find myself writing our annual report. So here I am again this year reporting to you about our fabulous year with the Jupiter cubs pack and the wonderful leaders and helpers who support us.

Let me start by saying a huge thank you to Karen, Simon and Becky for all they do throughout the year, without which, your children would not have the variety of experiences they do. A large amount of work goes on behind the scenes, planning a full and varied program of events and activities to ensure your children expand their skills and knowledge of traditional and sometimes, not so traditional scouting activities. We are very fortunate in Jupiter that we are also supported by enthusiastic young adults, who have chosen us to embark on their Young Leaders award. Charlie and James have now completed their young leaders' award and we are very grateful for all their help and variety of ideas throughout the year which enhances our program, not to mention their energy for the more fast and furious games which also play a large part in our program. We are very proud of their achievements and know that they will, in time, become fantastic leaders for a future generation. Charlie has now moved on to another pack which suits her other commitments and I'm sure they will appreciate her as much as we did. Sadly we also had to say 'good-bye' to Kinnett who has helped and supported Jupiter over the past year and wish her the best of luck in her degree course. I'm sure you will be back with us soon. Thank you Kinnett.



So now to what we have been filling our year with;

We started the year with setting our young leaders the challenge of running a First aid night... fantastic. Lots of bandages and fake blood mixed with some essential lifesaving skills that they hopefully will never need to put into practice. We had an evening pioneering, learning lashings and knots, making an assault course and then testing the lashings and knots!

A DIY night, run by Simon, saw some awesome Key hooks produced along with quite a few artistic creations by the children. A Junk tower night, where each six was tasked with creating the highest freestanding tower and then balance an egg on the top. Quite a few scrambled eggs that night!

Games are always part of our program to start and end the night. It amazes me that X-file doughnuts is still a favourite after my 13 years of being a cubs leader, just reinforcing my thoughts that the most traditional and basic games children have enjoyed for years, even generations, don't fade.

Always enjoyable is a Jupiter cub sleepover in the hut. The cubs create their own sleeping bivouacs from tarpaulings in the hut; they cook over open fires, go out on hikes, play games and enjoy a movie night before retiring. How they then have the ability to stay awake until the early hours is beyond me.

There is badge giving throughout the term as challenge badges and activity badges are achieved and the term ends with Noah Cruickshank, Alex Graham, Ian Burns, Harrison Mears and Finlay Buchanan achieving their much deserved silver awards, the highest award a cub scout can achieve. Well done to you all.

After a much earned summer rest we are back in the swing of a new term. Crabbing at the Ship Inn Quayside is always a favourite with both cubs and parents, can't imagine why? We undertook the Scientist badge with erupting volcanoes and discovering density. The children were invited to bring a pet in for an evening and explain the needs of their pet. Luckily we survived the night with the same number of pets coming in as going out... a logistical challenge and quite an achievement. Rob Bond, Callum and Amanda's grandad joined us for an evening whist we were doing the local knowledge badge to talk about what he knows of Hayling Island and how things have changed over the years (Thank you Rob).

We made 'guys' that went on the scout bonfire at the firework display for bonfire night. We started our Environment badge by making 'fat' balls and bird seed holders for winter feeding of the birds. An evening was spent at the Climbing wall at high rock at the Hayling School. Thank you to Charlie for organising that, a fantastic evening. All in all another busy term with work towards our Global Challenge and international Activity badge, scientist badge, animal carer badge, local knowledge badge and the environmental badge.....and then it was Christmas!

I promise that I will do my best,
To do my duty to God
and to the Queen,
To help other people,
And to keep the
Cub Scout Law.



A cold and chilly January saw the start of our spring term and the start of working towards some new badges. Our world Challenge badge required the children finding out about scouting around the world. The Cubs Promise was said in many different languages that night and new games from around the world were played. We cooked

pancakes for pancake night, celebrated the Chinese new year with a Chinese cookery night, Had a night of Archery (Thank you Jacko), navigated a night with maps and compasses, cooked on open fires, once we got the fires to light! We had an evening of craft and finally completing the creative challenge. The term ended with Thomas Law achieving his silver award, truly deserved. A fabulous term and many more badges achieved both within the program of activities and independently by cubs that are keen to do more badges such as the Book reader badge.

Throughout the year we take time to remind ourselves of our Cub Scout Promise and always encourage children to help each other, think of others before themselves. Everyone does their

Cub Scouts always do
their best,
Think of others before
themselves,
And do a good turn
every day.



best, not every week, but we all try very hard all the time.



'Snowey' our mascot is taken home each week by a child that has demonstrated these core values. It is amazing what an influence such a small snow leopard has! I'd recommend every household to adopt one. We are looking forward to another great year.

Thank you again, to all those that have helped Jupiter in the past year and most importantly, a huge thank you to all the children in Jupiter cubs... you make me laugh every week, which must be why I will be writing a report next year.

Thank you!!!
Andrea Heath
Jupiter Cubs

Mars Cub Pack

At the beginning of the evening as part of our opening ceremony we take part in the Grand Howl the cubs shout out "Cubs do their best" and they certainly did this over the past year. We have had a packed year of cubbing and this is probably the reason why they keep coming back week in and week out. When I see my past cubs they still want to come back to Mars Pack for fun and games.

In the summer term last year we went swimming at Mill Rythe School Pool, held an interactive parents evening, had an archery and shooting night, attended Hi Rock climbing wall, covered athletics badge, had a karate night and had a cub camp at Rowlands Castle in June.

This was an awesome weekend. We started camping outside until we had torrential rain on Friday night and got flooded out and the cubs had to sleep in the hall. Saturday was glorious and we walked to Stanstead House, went on the miniature railway, ate ice creams, went around the maze and had loads of fun within the grounds. Fortunately for us the sun came out and the ground dried out as did the tents and Saturday night the cubs slept out in the tents under the stars! Sunday we cleared up and before we knew it, it was home time. The cubs covered several badges and were all exhausted and by the time their parents had reached the top of Hayling Island on the way home they were asleep in their cars!



Autumn term we covered the shelter box challenge, did some backwoods cooking, held a bring a friend night, an Explorer came to give a chat on his experience of the World Scout Jamboree which was held in Japan, covered work for disability awareness badge, we did pumpkin carving, held a technology night and visited Waterlooville Police station.

In October a group of Sixers and Seconders attended the District Sixes/seconders camp up at South Harting where my past sixers and seconders learnt new scouting skills with other cubs across the district. They slept in tents and cooked their own dinner, built shelters, covered orienteering, tracking and fire lighting. This camp covered a weekend and it was really interesting to see how cubs get on, work together and overcome many new situations they encountered.

The highlight of the term was attending the District sleepover at Action Stations Museum in Portsmouth. What an adventure! Over 100 cubs from all over the District had free rein of the museum plus the climbing wall and laser quest! Then in the evening they watched 'The night at the museum 3' in the amazing cinema with popcorn to eat and



then eventually got them to bed. All the cubs were just a little excited about the whole thing!

Even though the spring term was short we managed to pack masses into it. Malcolm Harris a local photographer came to cubs to deliver photographers badge and he came back to judge the pictures the cubs took. We went on a night hike, more archery incorporated with pancakes, covered communicators badge, created Mother's day cards, covered the team building challenge, and had fun doing Easter activities.

This summer term we have so far.....had a skittles night, visited the station theatre and designed a flag for the group camp and started practising the skit for the group camp and this is only 3 weeks in!

Of course the most important event this year other than the group camp is the celebrating of the last 100 years of Cubs. We started in January with weekly 100 challenges whereby the Cubs had to skip for a 100 seconds, jump for 100 seconds, meet 100 people, list 100 boys and girls names, build a lego model in 100 seconds. There are also challenges cubs can do at home for instance reading 100 books, write a 100 word story, plant 100 bulbs or feed the birds for 100 days. What a challenge for us - and we are certainly going to cover all of these throughout the year. There are other events planned for the Cubs over the coming months - can't wait to see them!! We are going to be even busier!

What have we covered in terms of badges this year? Loads of badges!! We have covered photographer, swimmers stage 1, athlete, communicator, international, martial arts, cyclist, hikes away 2, camper, nights away 1,4 & 5, backwoods cooking, water activities stage 1, map reader, pioneering, disability awareness and presented 1,2,3 and 4 year service awards.

I would like to thank Jacko, Linda and Abi who will do anything for Cubs and turn up each week to get stuck into gluing, cooking, games whatever is thrown at them. Thank you to Jacko and his photography skills. I would also like to thank Tom Randall my Young Leader for his suggestions, input and game organising, and my new Young Leader Charlotte Saunders who is still cutting her teeth in Mars Pack!

I would also like to thank Malcom Harris, PSCO Neil Roberts, Peter Swift climbing wall manager, Josh Day for lifeguarding, Tom Lincoln and Jamie Bray for air rifle shooting, Jacko for archery, Simon at the Station Theatre, Sama Karate, Dom Allgood for his Jamboree talk, Phil Blosse for photocopying, Lesleyanne Bush for presenting Silver awards, Nigel Kenny for organising badges and Clive Allgood and Leigh Hunter for being the sorting out of tents/computer fixing crew!

This year also sees a change in the challenge badges and I have been busy transferring over cub achievements from the old to the new record cards. This has also come with a new programme to deliver and newly designed badges to award.

Over the last year Chief Scout Silver Awards have been presented to Cameron Turner, Imogen Johnson, Kai Hensby, Kai McCormack, Joshua Mayrs, Rhys Jones, Wyatt Humphrey, Ella Robinson and Van Page. To achieve this award the cubs have to attain Our World, Our Adventure, Our Outdoors, Our Skills, Teamwork and Team Leader challenge as well completing a 6 week personal challenge. This is an amazing show of dedication to scouting and just shows that "cubs can do their best"!

Jan Allgood (Akela)



Saturn Cub Pack

What a fantastic year in Scouting Saturn pack have had. I can't quite believe how quickly this year has gone!

Firstly I would like to say a big thank you to my team. Danny, Kate, Kaj, Hannah and Craig for all the hard work and enthusiasm you put in each week



We have had a fun filled year with so many exciting and challenging activities. We have done backwards cooking, crabbing, map reading, archery, rifle shooting, hiking, fire lighting, shelter building, arts and craft and plenty of cooking indoors and outdoors. We did the egg box challenge which the cubs found highly amusing all having to guess if the egg would survive or smash the drop!

We have undertaken many pioneering activities this year, we have made ladders, friction bridges and pot stands. One evening that sticks in my mind was when we were at the gunning placement on the beach in the pouring rain this did not dampen the spirits. Each cub made their own ballista and they were shooting brightly coloured pin pong balls across the field it was brilliant fun. The water rockets we did in the spring this year were eventful. The boys were amazed how far an air compressor, water and a cork can make a bottle fly and also how wet they could get.



We have been on many outings over the past year which the boys have really enjoyed. We have been to the local fire station which was very informative, the cubs even got to try on the heavy clothing and sit in the fire engine. In October we went to Fort Purbrook to partake in some initiative tests, I was very proud of them all they worked hard as a team to complete the challenges. We also explored the tunnels in the dark which increased the confidence of a few of the younger members of the group.

We visited Tesco's as part of the cubs Farm to Fork badge. The tour of the store included the main shop floor, stock room and the staff room. The highlight of the evening was being able to go into the walk in freezer, they could not believe how cold and how big it was.

This year we went on an amazing cub sleepover 100s of scouts from the district all camped at Action stations at Portsmouth Historical dockyard. We did lots of activities over the weekend including rock climbing, rocket making and laser quest. We finished the evening by watching Night in the museum in the museums own cinema!! What a lovely experience the cubs had something they will always remember from their childhood. It was magical waking up it what would normally be a buzzing museum.



Some of our cubs have now moved onto Scouts. Congratulations to Tobey Gannon, Harley Hobbs, Owen Hughes, Arthur Lilley and Hayden Van-Zeil who have all achieved the Chief Scout's silver award this year well done.

Congratulations to Hannah and Craig for working hard and gaining the young leader's belt. Well done.

Kaj has just recently achieved queen scouts award the highest award you can earn in the scouting movement. As part of his celebrations he joined hundreds of other Scouts from across the UK at Windsor where he met Bear Grylls and HRH Prince Michael of Kent. Well done!

Saturn pack are looking forward to another year of excitement and adventure with lots already planned.

Thank you
Sarah Bailey

Eagle Scout Troop

Some creatures spend their life on the ground. Not a Scout who can tie a square lashing, for them, the sky is the limit.



Last summer, our troop nights were dedicated to getting our camping skills honed in preparation for a week in Broadstone Warren. Tent pitching, bush craft, fire lighting, penknife training and ...a water fight. We entered a patrol into Gunnel. They did brilliantly for a young patrol and took the skills learnt on to Summer camp. Sometimes you can learn more from a completely disastrous evening meal than one that goes well! We finished the term with a bbq and water fight. After the first 10 minutes we were all completely drenched. An hour and a half later we were still running round making sure that there wasn't any risk of anyone drying out.

Summer camp saw us spending a week at Broadstone Warren, a forest with everything a Scout needs for a successful camp. Uphill patrol and downhill patrol battled it out for points and flongs throughout the week. The main camping competition saw the patrols earn almost 1000 points. We only add up scores at the very end - the result, a victory for Uphill by only 1.5 points. Highlights included: potholing, laser quest, giant wide games and building two of the best bivies I have ever seen. The funniest part was the food Auction. The patrols spent their hard earned flongs. Tactical bidding and the occasional patrol disagreement about what to bid for resulted in hilarious food combinations.



The winter term had a real mixture of original evenings. Without telling the scouts, we invited the police in to discuss the dangers of drugs. The evening started with Dave being arrested after a search revealed he had a transparent bag of sugar concealed on his person. We continued down the educational route with a trip to Fort Widley for a fascinating talk on World War 2 and a look around the underground exhibition. We were worried that the Scouts might have done too much learning, so we counteracted it with night mountain biking and cooking a Christmas dinner on an open fire. Another first for us was car orienteering. Leaders followed Scout instruction as they directed their cars using map grid references. 5 Scouts chose to go to the County Winter

camp. It was a well organised weekend crammed full of activities, we will definitely be going again this year.

2016 started without me as my wife gave birth to Isaac 4 weeks early. He obviously was hoping to join in on another crazy term (he might have to wait a few years). Giant marble runs, bean tin cookers and circus skills to name a few. Here started our push on the square



lashing! We wanted our younger Scouts to improve their pioneering skills, so we built in lots of opportunities to create awesome

structures. The main project was building a stilt city that could be slept on at the Spring sleep over. Should Hayling ever flood, we will still be able to get a good night's sleep. We finished the term by building a series of impressive gates.

These were then used as part of an investiture ceremony.

Already this summer we have done rifle shooting, a GPS challenge and more awesome pioneering! We are looking forward to lots of camping, with Gunnel, Group camp and a return to Broadstone Warren to go even bigger and better than last year.

Our troop numbers have crept back up to almost 30 Scouts, which meant we had to reopen Owl patrol. Our team has also been really bolstered this year by the young expertise and energy of Barnabas Pycroft and Edward Mill. Both were Scouts with us a few years ago who have returned to give us old timers a hand and pass on their skills to the next generation. I think this year's programme has been one of the most exciting. A massive thanks to the Scouts and leaders for making it happen!

Edd Harrison

Lion Scout Troop

We meet on Friday evening at 19:00 until 21:00, our Leaders are Tom Lincoln, Jamie Bray, Mervyn Haines, Liam Holden and Michelle Lynch and our young leader Cam MacCallum. We try and vary our evening activities as much as possible. This year we have a varied program of activities e.g. Wide games, Map and Compass, Team skills, "Cooking on gas", Trading post, Duplo, Skittles, Christmas Party, Fire lighting with batteries and flint strikers, basic wood qualities, nijer and hike tent pitching, site layout, shelter building, Basic cooker and appliance setup and use.

What have we done?

Apart from the programmed evening activities we also went on a couple of camps.

Summer camp

For Summer camp last year we visited Broadstone warren scout campsite in West Sussex, here we spent the week camping in Bivies and Hammocks and practicing various backwoods camping skills that went towards their outdoor and survival skills badges.

During the week we had a massive thunderstorm that devastated the campsite, luckily the sun soon came and the tumble dryer on site is very effective.



Winter camp.

This year saw the return of the County Winter Camp after a long break due to the unpredictable British weather. This year it was moved from its old date in March to October to coincide with JOTI/JOTA. Activities varied from Climbing to Laser Quest, with chillout zones and bouncy fun.

What's coming up?**Troop meetings.**

During our Friday evening meetings we have activities planned such as kayaking, hiking, indoor obstacle course, cycling, flip out trampolining centre.

Skills such as tent pitching, survival, navigation, bike maintenance, cooking, setting up other equipment scouts use at events

Troop camp.

In the middle of May we have a weekend camp for our troop. At the moment where we have such a young troop we will be concentrating on the basic skills of patrol camping from setting up a patrol tent (nijer) and dining shelter to making a flagpole, site boundaries, gate to chopping wood, preparing fires, Fire lighting, cooking on fires and gas, site layout etc. These skills will then be used on the annual Gunnell camp (this is a competition camp involving all the troops in the Havant district) and on our summer camp.

Summer camp.

At the end of this term we have our annual summer camp, this year we are heading off to Caddihoe, in Exeter. The leaders of lion troop last visited this site in 2006 and one leader last visited when he was in Scouts. The programme of activities is looking good at the moment, this site will gives scouts a perfect environment to show the skills they have learnt in their first year of being with us, with the chance of learning that little bit more to prepare them for camping competitions. This will be a great camp but exhausting for all of us.

Tom Lincoln and Jamie Bray

Scout Leaders, Lion Troop

Shark Scout Troop

As with all intricately planned summer camps there is always something "deliberately" left behind to make the experience a little more exciting. Unravelling what we thought was the union Jack turned out to be a tactically folded Australian flag. Who'd have thought!

Naturally the Australian flag got hoisted to the top of our flag pole anyway, which resulted in a number of confused campers when we made for flag break. Apparently we "didn't even sound Australian."

Staying at Braggers Wood campsite near Christchurch we couldn't resist the opportunity to test out and review the waters slides at Splashdown. It didn't take much time for the Scouts to work out how to avoid the queues for the popular slides by going on the not so popular ones outside in the freezing rain. Not being content with playing outside on their own the Leaders got dragged along too, which apparently is part of our duty as a Scout Leader, or so I'm told! Whilst the vast majority of the Leaders were good sports in helping the Scouts get the full Splashdown experience in the sub-zero temperatures of the outdoor flumes, Chris kindly volunteered to be the noble steed and guard the lunches from the on-site coffee shop, in the warm.



Summer camp just wouldn't be complete without a fierce table tennis tournament for which has become a Shark Troop tradition over the years. Since the construction of our first primitive wooden pallet table some years ago we have pushed the boundaries of portable ping pong to a whole new level. With the help of the Young Leaders, Braggers Wood campsite saw mark 3 of the Shark Troop table top game, with hours of enjoyment all round for the duration of the camp. Now that's what I call useful pioneering.



Summer Camp 2013



Summer Camp 2015

When high winds stopped play we visited Altitude High Rope adventure, where the Sharks took to completing different challenges head on as they worked their way around 34 obstacles including rope bridges, scramble nets, balance beams, swinging logs, a climbing wall, all before taking the plunge at the end with the exhilarating 30 foot leap of faith. Although the course was quite daunting to some, I was pleased to see that everyone took part and completed the full course, challenging them to try something new.

Braggers Wood is renowned for having its own pizza oven, which the Scouts took full advantage of. Adam took to this like a duck to water, and after producing numerous pizzas of excellence, has now landed himself as a Dominos employee.



Braggers Wood Pizza Oven



Altitude High Adventure Course - Bournemouth

In true Bond style, we held our very own Casino Royal Evening at the Scout Headquarters. A brilliant evening for Leaders and Scouts, and some pretty impressive James Bond attire as I'm sure you'll agree.



As the nights got darker Halloween arrived and so too did the spooky costumes and pumpkin lanterns that for some reason the Scouts get really excited about for weeks in advance. We all congregated in our 'scary' costumes, to venture on a Ghost Walk around Creech Woods, however it has to be said that the leaders scared more unfortunate dog walkers than the Scouts that Evening.

Over the course of the year we've taken on "The Cube" gameshow, tried our hand at lassoing cactuses as well as mounting biking, archery, rafting, candle making and the famous fish shop challenge to name just a few.



Sandcastles - Hayling RNLi



Cactus Lassoing



Summer Camp Attire

Usually when you go to the shop it's a sensible idea to take a list of the items you need to buy, unless you're a Scout with Shark Troop when that all goes out the window. Sending one Scout from each patrol to the shop (empty handed) we challenged the rest of the patrol to send them one text message describing each item they needed to buy, however the catch was they couldn't actually say the name of the item. As you can imagine some of the messages were rather cryptic, and I'm surprised that shoppers came back with anything at all really.

The Year had seen some really impressive achievements from Scouts and Leaders alike. Craig Cooper has worked tirelessly to complete the Chief Scouts Gold Award, which is the highest award at the Scout Level. Alongside his presentation, I was awarded with the Fred Rook award for Community Service, which I was honoured to receive. My personal highlight of the past year was receiving my Queens Scout and Duke of Edinburgh Awards in Windsor from the one and only Bear Grylls which was amazing. I hope that my achievement encourages the Scouts to undertake and complete these prestigious awards in fewer years than I have.

As always the success of Shark Troop wouldn't be possible without the continuous help and support of my other partners in crime. Jamie, Chris and Libby, thank you for everything you do for Scouting, and the support you give me. Also to the Young Leaders, Matt and Adam, you guys provide and bring such enthusiasm and fun to Shark Troop.

Jordan Reed

Nexus Explorer Unit

What another great year we have had with weekend camps, sleepovers at our HQ and a summer camp at Broadstone warren in East Grinstead. We built shelters, sleeping in them and cooking over open fires even cooking eggs on a slab of slate. Camping in Ashdown forest is a great experience, seeing the wildlife, especially the deer, roaming freely around the site and it also is home to the famous Pooh tree although it's old and dying now. And, of course, no camp is complete without a trip to Pooh Stick's Bridge for a few games of Pooh sticks.



We have also been swimming, climbing, playing with fire, riding bikes with one wheel, and reverse steering, We also counted and sorted all the cards for Christmas post ready for delivery before Christmas. We had a sleep over at play zone in Cosham - which was with explorer scouts from Havant & Waterlooville. This was great fun with laser quest in the dark with most people not sleeping much, just playing all night.

We are now busy preparing for group camp this year by building a spacecraft using a Chrysler Grand voyager as a base. After building the Viking ship two years ago we have a lot to live up to so come along to our group camp in June to see how we get on.

Summer camp this year is an expedition to Switzerland. For many of the explorers coming, this will be their first trip but for a lucky few it will be their second visit. We have been busy fund raising for new updated equipment and also having a few training walks to enable us to cope better with the hills out there, our base camp will be slightly higher than the summit of Ben Nevis in Scotland, the highest mountain in the British Isles.

With new Explorers arriving we have been able to get started again on The Duke of Edinburgh's Award with a group of five doing their Bronze practice expedition over the South Downs, camping overnight at South Harting Scout Hut. They have also finished all the planning for their assessed expedition but we have yet to fix a date. As well as their two day expeditions carrying everything they need (tents, stove, sleeping bags, food etc.) to make them self-sufficient they have also to do some voluntary work, learn a skill and taking part in a physical activity. A real challenge.

Unlike some of our younger sections, Explorer Scouts are much more self organised in terms of the planning and execution of their programmes.

As Leaders our main role is to provide guidance and help with the organisations when required.

On this basis every Explorer Scout deserves our thanks and praise for the way they carry out their responsibilities and in turn of course my thanks to Terry, Leigh and Karl who provide the additional support.

A special mention to Terry who is the main reason why these young people progress in their Duke of Edinburgh and Scouting award schemes.

James, Terry, Leigh & Karl

Young Leader Report

Young Leader Training is building on the leadership skills that we try to equip our Scouts with throughout their time with us. It starts at Beaver age when we encourage them to make some decisions for themselves; into Cubs where they begin to help leaders to support younger members and help in tasks of leadership. At Scout age there is much more opportunity about thinking for themselves and becoming more involved in helping leaders deliver a varied and exciting programme of events. Finally, to Explorers, who do most of the planning, thinking and executing of the ideas, taking responsibility for the programme of activities that they undertake.

Once Young Leader Training is undertaken they really do begin to make themselves invaluable as part of the adult leadership team. Some of them are naturals at it and very quickly adapt to being able to think about what needs doing before being asked; taking the initiative in activities and games and generally making a difference. Some may take longer to develop these skills but that does not make them lesser leaders for the future. There is much pleasure in seeing these Young People develop and become more confident people.

Their requirements are a big commitment at a busy stage of their already full lives with their own hobbies, schooling and Scouting to fit in as well and I am always amazed at how dedicated they are to the training. There is at least one year's commitment to attend weekly meetings to help a section and monthly training evenings

The monthly meetings cover various modules such as, leadership skills and styles, how to teach skills, challenging behaviour, safeguarding, risk assessment, games and programme planning. They are also required to undertake the full First Response First Aid course that all leaders are obliged to keep updated. A very full and varied course that enables them to be part of the leadership team. At weekly meetings they have to organise the games, planning and running activities and taking responsibility for a particular aspect of the section.

It is always a great pleasure to present the Young Leader Belts. We presented them to Dom Allgood, Craig Cooper, Hannah Kirby, Dan Law, Cameron Mc Cullum and Charlotte Saunders.

It is great to have Young Leaders in the sections as they are excellent role models that we hope younger Scouts aspire to be! Their boundless energy is also an asset to leaders as they can often join in at a faster pace than we can!!

I am very grateful to all the section leaders who give their time to bringing on these young leaders. The weekly work that is done is the most important as this is where we see the young people develop their skills and their enthusiasm. Thank you all.

Mandy

Fundraising Report

The primary sources of income for the Scout Group are the membership subscriptions that we receive from parents together with Gift Aid that we are able to claim from these subscriptions. This source of income covers our main expenditures such as insurance, gas, electricity, water etc. as well as the membership fee that we have to pay to the Scout Association for every member of the Scout Group. This income, however, does not cover capital expenditures for camping equipment, improvements to our Headquarters and other special items. In this context, fundraising, donations, grants and other sources of income play a vital role in ensuring that our Leaders have the necessary resources to carry out their important roles.

I am pleased to report that we have had another good fundraising year, thanks to the invaluable support from helpers, parents and local organisations. We have been able to fund various capital expenditures without increasing subscriptions which we have held constant for the last five years.

The Christmas Card Delivery Service continues to be well supported and appreciated by the local community, especially as we have held the price of a stamp at 20p for a 'first class' service! This year we delivered over 5,000 cards, which gave a profit of £900, thanks to the efforts of many friends, parents and their children with deliveries, as well as our 'postmaster' Ian Hawke and the Explorers who do the collection and sorting - and of course to the people of Hayling Island for using our Service.

The Annual Quiz Night, which with its own unique format, proved to be very popular again and was held for the first time in the Scouts Headquarters. This reduces our costs and also makes the event easier to manage. The event achieved a profit of £400 and also raised £169 from the raffle to help the Explorers fund their expedition to Kandersteg in Switzerland.

Our Book Sales continue to provide a major source of income and are now held every half term over four days in the Headquarters which has proved to be a very successful venue by reducing costs and increasing sales. Our profit this year was over £4,000. Our thanks go to a great team of helpers who distribute and display posters, assist with sorting, set up and returning books to store, and helping on sales days.

We had a plan to repaint our main hall and change the colour scheme of the woodwork. The construction company Amey encourage all of their employees to spend one day each year supporting local charities. This year Libby, one of our Leaders with Shark Scout Troop, nominated us and we were fortunate to be selected. We purchased the materials and Amey brought in a group of employees who completed the task in one day. This was a fantastic effort, giving our main hall a fresh look, and also saving us the effort of finding a task force of helpers to do the job.

Throughout the year, we provide assistance at various local events as part of our community support programme. We do not expect financial reward for this community programme but are always grateful where donations are made in appreciation of our help.

In this Annual Report, you will find a table of individuals and organisations that have supported us in various ways. These contributions are vital in funding and managing our activities throughout the year and we very much appreciate their support.

As you can see, we had a very varied and interesting fundraising year. We continuously assess our needs and sources of funds to ensure that our growth and high standards can be maintained for the years to come.

Philip Blossie



The Amey Team

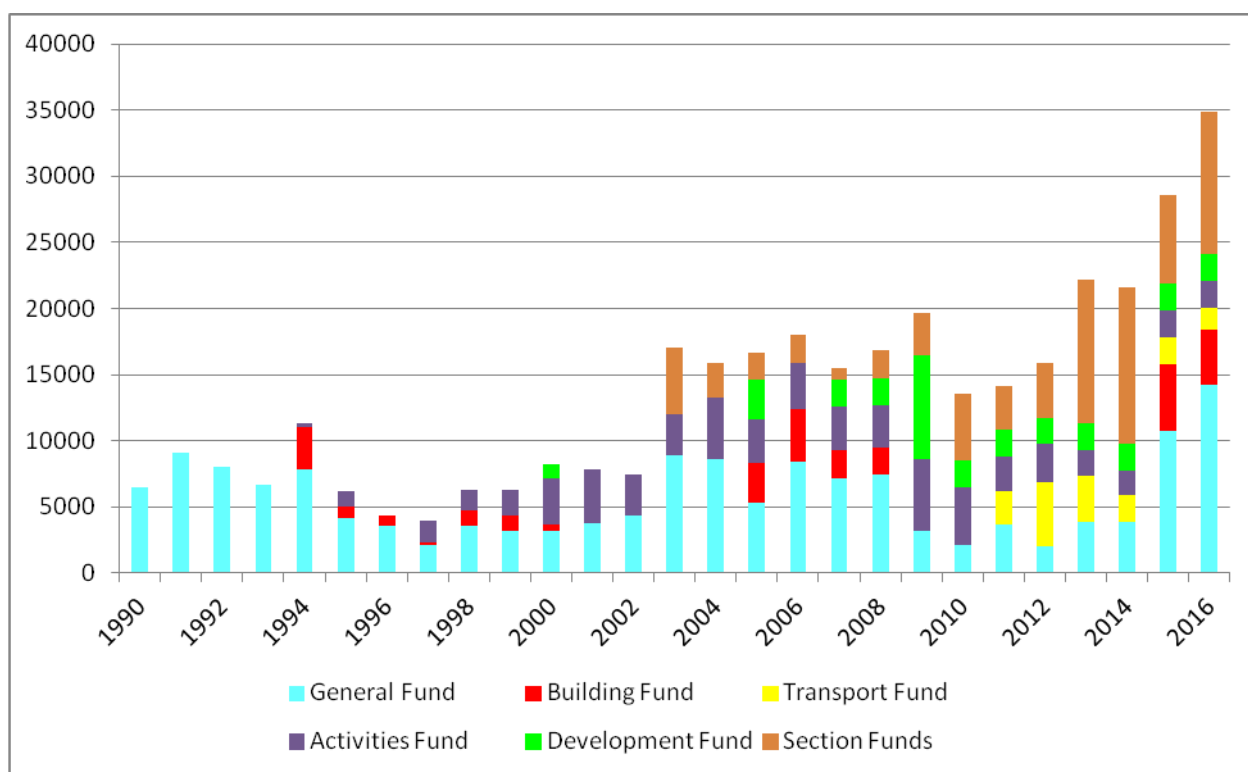
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Statement of Funds

at 31st March 2016



Notes:

1. There remains a small amount of completion work for our Kitchen Improvement Project and following this work we expect a final invoice that will be covered by a combination of the Building Fund and approximately £1500 from the General Funds.
2. The General Fund also includes £1000 allocated to our new Marquee Roof sections that are due for delivery shortly.
3. The Section Funds include camp payments for this years camps and expeditions.

Our Queen's Scouts



Kaj Carter



Jordan Reed and Liam Holden

