

3rd Hayling Group

Annual Report 2019 - 2020



Celebrating 90 Years of Scouting on Hayling Island

Group Executive (GPT)

Group Scout Leader Jordan Reed

Officers

Chairman Aaron Pycroft
Treasurer Harry & Matt Pike

Secretary Jill Long

Specific Roles

HQ ManagerPete RowsonQuartermasterPeter GoddardBook SalesDr Philip Blosse

Badge Secretary
Transport Manager
Wish List / Damage Coord
Nigel Kenny
Clive Allgood
Andrew Harrison

Subs / Gift Aid Diane Stanway
Dave Stanway

Community Relations Jean Bates
Communications Ian Hawke
General Duties Alan Scutt

Uniformed Representatives

Beaver Scouts

Aspen Colony Fiona Jordan-Harrison

Redwood Colony Linda Hunter

Cub Scouts

Jupiter PackAbi PeettMars PackJan AllgoodSaturn PackSarah Bailey

Scouts

Eagle Troop Ed Harrison

Lion Troop Jamie Bray / Tom Lincoln

Shark Troop Jamie MacCallum

Explorer Scouts

Nexus Unit James Perfett

Report Introduction

At the time of writing the individual reports that comprise our Annual Report, we are just a few weeks into a national lockdown, with all Scouting activities suspended.

This situation has understandably had a significant impact on all families that are members and supporters of Scouting on Hayling Island.

Our Chair, with the support of the trustees of the group has taken a decision that this year's report will meet the minimum requirements of the Charities Commission and Scouting.

Therefore, unlike previous years, this report will consist of:-

- The Chair Review
- The Treasurer's report
- A statement of accounts for 2019 / 2020.

Chair Review

This annual report covers the period of April 2019 to March 2020, and the content of which, normally would form the basis of our AGM and Awards giving in June. Sadly, the COVID-19 pandemic has put all scouting activities on hold for the foreseeable future and will impact in some obvious and less obvious ways in the months and years ahead. We of course accept our civic responsibility to do our duty in making sure that are members and their families are safe and well, BUT the Scout motto is of course "Be prepared". So, while no one expects or wants a global pandemic, with the distress and anxiety that this creates for all of us Scouting continues and will continue to do our best as a community and faith-based organisation to make a positive contribution to young people, their families and community of Hayling Island.

A key part of the process of moving forward and responding to the challenges that have been set is to celebrate and promote our achievements as a group over the last year, and the values that underpin everything that we do. On that basis I am delighted to say that it has been another spectacular year for this group thanks to the dedication and commitment of our section leaders, assistants and helpers. The strength of any group is in its sections, from Beavers through to Explorers and if it was not for what was being offered then we would not be the thriving group that we are.

My role and the role of the Group Development Team (GDT) is to make sure that the section leaders have the resources that they need, through fund raising and ensuring good governance and accountability. We have been fortunate in having long serving members of the GDT, but this year have seen some significant changes. Mary Pike after 32 years as Treasurer has stepped down from the role. Mary's service to the group has been exceptional and we cannot thank her enough for what she has done for us over the years. But we are delighted that her son and daughter-in-law, Matt and Harry have taken over from her (how did she persuade them that it was a good idea!?). The last AGM and Awards Giving was held at our brilliant family camp at Lyons Copse (remember the burst water main on Havant Road, well we still made it to camp!) where Ian Hawke officially stepped down as GSL after 27 years and again after outstanding and exceptional service.

Jordan Reed has now taken over from him. These changes are also opportunities to review what we do and how we do it.

We are as a group very much looking to the future, and we have been fortunate to have a committed GDT who do so much work behind the scenes to ensure that our facilities, equipment and finances are in good order. Through good housekeeping and excellent fundraising (mainly through book sales) we are in a healthy financial position. At the time of writing we are likely to lose 10k through loss of subs revenue and book sale income over the next few months. We can weather this financial storm, but it does mean that we will have to put some of our developments (such as refurbishment of the car park) on hold. But the most important thing as a Scout is to be prepared to make the best of what you have. My observation is that you can have access to the best facilities and equipment in the world, but nonetheless it's remarkable what you can do with a couple of sticks and bit of string (answers on a post card please), or how happy you can be just sat around a camp fire.

It is an honour and a privilege to serve as Chairman of this group and I would like to thank all the members of the GDT, Jordan and the leadership team for their dedication, enthusiasm and support, that makes such a difference to the young people of Hayling Island.

Dr Aaron Pycroft

Chairman

Treasurer Report

Firstly, we would like to say a big thank you to my mum, Mary Pike, who handed over the treasurer reins to us after over 30 years. I can definitely say after a year that it's not an easy task accounting for all the payments in and out of our accounts, dealing with requests for cheques and paying all the bills. Since we have taken over, we have managed to move to online banking which has helped us a lot and are also looking at other ways of automating processing to make our busy leader's lives easier.

Total income for the year exceeded £50,000, including the cost of camps and expeditions and the money raised by our attendees at the Suisse Adventure camp that was due to be taking place in August. Without these, our income is fairly consistent with previous years. Our main income sources continue to be subscriptions and fundraising, with the latter, including donations from the Coop, providing an income of over £10,000 which is essential for the running of the Coop.

During the past year we have continued to invest in new and replacement equipment to support all the Group's activities and nights under canvas. We also had to replace the water heater in the kitchen and some other heating components to keep the HQ in good shape.

Covid-19 had a very limited impact on the accounts for this year but will impact the next financial year with the curtailment of camps including Suisse Adventure, where monies will need to be refunded, and the lack of income from subscriptions and through fundraising. Fortunately, we are in a good financial position for now but, with our fixed costs for utilities and insurance for the hut and capitation, we will need to dig into our reserves over the course of the next year. We will of course keep parents, guardians and supporters informed on any help we need.

My thanks to Diane and Dave Stanway for helping to managing the subscriptions and gift aid and to Aaron and Jordan for their assistance in getting us up and running.

At this time, these accounts are unaudited, but I am sure the draft represents a true summary of our financial affairs.

Matt Pike and Angharad Pike, Treasurers

Income and Expenditure Account

2018/2019	Income	2019/2020	2018/2019	Expenditure	2019/2020
12512.00	Subscriptions	13472.00	8622.90	Capitation	7912.10
1000.00	Donations	2688.07	1552.42	Section Allowances	1137.28
59.97	Bank interest	70.11	0.00	Competitions	119.23
2834.73	Gift Aid	2300.00	800.00	Badges	1258.88
0.00			725.00	Leader Uniform & Training	174.40
0.00	Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme	0.00	1510.79	Photocopier	1897.74
0.00	Facilities hire	0.00	1516.41	Insurance	1578.28
0.00	Fundraising: Quiz	0.00	1026.62	General expenses	1026.83
589.60	Other events	0.00	2726.68	HQ: Services	2098.28
901.94	Christmas Post	1189.48	0.00	HQ: Maintenance	3002.79
7543.80	Book fair	6569.85	2477.73	Equipment	3879.36
7939.53	World Jamboree	1702.66	2400.00	World jamboree/Project19 support	0.00
0.00	Suisse Adventure	13720.04	0.00	Suisse Adventure	13780.00
33381.57	Total	41712.21	0.00	Fundraising: Quiz	0.00
9244.51	Money exchange, camps & trips	11476.33	1195.22	Book Fair	500.43
42626.08	Total	53188.54	798.50	Other events	35.04
1530.00	Less: Explorer subs(District)	1795.50	7407.52	World jamboree	2381.26
41096.08	Total income	51393.04	32759.79	Total	40781.90
			6151.35	Money exchange, camps & trips	14053.60
			38911.14		54835.50
	FUND STATEMENT		1440.00	Less: facility use (explorers)	1795.50
12565.58	COIF fund	12635.57	37471.14	Total expenditure	53040.00
44.12	Deposit account	44.24		Less: money held on 01.04.19	13720.00
19179.23	Current account	14987.77		Plus: money held on 31.03.20	15266.82
0.00	Cash in hand	0.00		Plus:surplus income over expenditure	-3193.78
31788.93	TOTAL	27667.58		51393.0	
2425.61	plus o/s gift aid/less o/s cheques	4900.00		Money held on account	
34214.54	TOTAL	32567.58	0.00	Building Fund	7000.00
13720.00	Less: money held on account	15266.82	1408.00	Activities Fund	2000.00
20494.54		17300.76	2000.00	Scout Development Fund	0.00
	Less: surplus income over expenditure	-3193.78	1074.00	World jamboree	0.00
		20494.54	0.00	Suisse Adventure	2477.95
			9238.00	Camp & sections Funds	3788.87
			13720.00	Total	15266.82