

22nd Odiham Fleet Scout Group



**Beavers, Cubs and
Scouts still camping!**



Annual Review

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March 2021

We call this our 2020 Annual Review but effectively it is only a record of the first three months of the last year due of course to the Covid pandemic. We were well prepared for another full and active year when this virus hit the world. We were lucky that we did manage to have our normal Annual Review and AGM on 10th March with our last Troop meeting the following Monday evening.

After that it was a case of following the Scout HQ instructions which of course, in turn, had come from government rules.

We first thought it was just a closure until after Easter, then following a big effort involving rearranging the Den, spending about £100 on masks, cleaning materials, etc. and completing a very thorough Risk Assessment we made ready to restart in November. All to no avail thanks to new government rules issued on 30th October. We cannot say when we can resume face-to-face meetings again, but at least the schools are going back soon which will mean that Scouting can restart sometime after that.

Some Groups in our District have run outdoor meetings, but we have suggested activities which can be done at home. Garden camping at home, or with grandparents, or on holiday has been enjoyed by many of our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. We have also suggested other activities such as cooking on a BBQ or in the kitchen, in addition to working towards activity badges such as the Artist, Gardener and Pioneer, together with the Outdoor, Skills and Personal Challenge badges. We are still very much in need of more adult help within our Beavers and Cubs, so please think about this with your relatives and friends. Perhaps there is someone you know who wants to join the Adventure and would be happy to get involved on a more regular basis.

We owe a big thank you to all our Leaders and Helpers for all the past year's activities which they organised and ran so well. Also thank you to the members of our Group Executive Committee where we would also like to find a few more members. A special big thank you must be made to Irene Tabb who has been our Secretary for the last nine years and is now stepping down as she is leaving Fleet.

Ray Oldham Skip
Group Scout Leader

BEAVER COLONY	CUB PACK	SCOUT TROOP	GROUP EXEC.
Ruth Scott BSL 07765 258772	Julie Evans ACSL Peter Dance Assistant Helpers: Brenda Brown Pat Oldham	Marc Howard SL Michael Marcussen ASL	Ray Oldham GSL 01252 621559 David Bunclark Chair 01252 621684 Irene Tabb Secretary Chris Jones Treasurer

BEAVER COLONY ANNUAL REPORT

The Colony met just seven times in 2020, meeting as usual through January and February until Covid and lockdown stopped us gathering.

January

We welcomed two new boys, Harry and Marcus, to the Colony and made ballista's in our Lodge teams from canes and elastic bands. The Beavers used the Ballista's to shoot balls at skittle targets. The following week the Colony walked to the Scoop shop on Reading Road South. We were welcomed by Kate Cottrell who taught us about recycling at home. The Beavers were excellently behaved and very sensible throughout – well done!

We celebrated Chinese New Year making dragon puppets from paper plates and played chopstick games.

Finally this month, we acted out and discussed the story of Jesus the Good Shepherd before investing our two new Beavers.

February

The Beavers thought about what a career in Engineering and Design might look like and then went on to build bridges at five different stations around the room, each having a different set of materials, but all using the same design parameters.

The following week, we continued the theme of engineering, playing with recyclable junk. The Beavers worked in their Lodges to build towers for height and then for strength. We finished by individually creating a space vehicle from anything left in the junk pile.

February 25th was Shrove Tuesday, so we discussed the history and customs of the day and then played pancake games and races. Finally, the Beavers decorated and ate small pancakes.

Lockdown - Beavering at home

Although we were restrained from meeting face-to-face, many of the Beavers undertook badge work at home, particularly over the spring and summer. Activity badges earned include: Animal Friend, Collector, Cook, Explorer, Gardener and Space. We also celebrated St George's Day and remade our Beaver Promise. The Group Camp visit scheduled for June was cancelled but most of the Colony earned their Nights Away Badge by sleeping in a tent or a homemade shelter indoors for one or two nights instead. Well done to all who Beavered away at home!

Our Colony continues with just me as the only uniformed leader with a Scouting appointment which necessitates the assistance of a rota of fabulous helping parents. This year we say *thank you* to: Tamzin, Michele, Laura and Marta. Will it be you joining the Adventure in 2021?

Ruth Scott Raksha

CUB PACK ANNUAL REPORT

Who would have thought that when Scouting stopped in March, that nearly a year later we would still be closed?

Our year started on 7th January with our New Year Party, the Cubs enjoyed lots of pizza, drinks and cakes followed by games. Chil organised a Disability Badge which all the pack achieved. We had a games evening and paper plane evening which included a flying contest - always good fun.

In February the focus was on knotting, the Cubs also enjoyed cooking pancakes on gas stoves - very tasty.

March started with making ballista's, followed by team work challenges and fun. Then lockdown closed our meetings.

In April we asked the Cubs to put on their uniform and renew their promise on St George's Day. We only had feedback from one Cub in the form of a video. He renewed his promise and did a good turn by making his mom a cup of tea. Our Group Camp was cancelled and we asked the Cubs to camp out in their gardens instead. Quite a few did this and added extra Nights Away to their Badge. Some of the Cubs have now gone up to Scouts, but some decided to leave us. We have a small number on the register and it will seem like a new Pack when we start up again.

When we resume in 2021 there are going to be some Pack leadership changes. Chil's permit expires in April and she is not renewing it but will become a very Occasional Helper. Baloo (who has no permit) remains an Occasional Helper. Rikki (Peter Dance) has agreed to become an Assistant Leader, but has a new job and we will have to change our time of meeting to 6.30 - 7.45pm. (We used to meet at this time a few years ago.)

Although Peter has agreed to this change we still **URGENTLY** need another Assistant Leader. If you'd like to find out more, we invite you to come along to Cub meetings for a month, with no obligation, and see what we do. Without more support the Pack will not be able to continue. Please get in touch if you might be able to help.

Our thanks to Jannette McElarney, ADCSL, for keeping us up to date on District news, to Skip and Raksha for their help and to Chil (Julie Evans) and Shere Khan (Brenda Brown) for their continued time and support.

See you all soon we hope.

Pat Oldham Baloo

SCOUT TROOP ANNUAL REPORT

Due to the pandemic the Troop met only nine times in 2020, but packed those sessions with fun activities focussed on the Team Work and Creative Challenge.

In January the Troop worked on the Creative Challenge in two groups; one building model pioneering projects with Skip and the other building a marble-run with Marc and Michael. Each Scout built either a zip-wire or a watch tower model and also worked on one of the two marble runs which were cardboard, gravity powered race tracks with starting gates, obstacles and a finish line to allow six marbles to race down.

In February the Patrols were challenged to build a shelter from card. Each shelter needed to be big enough to accommodate a Scout and had to have a door, a window and a roof. The Patrols also completed a number of mini team challenges that encouraged teamwork and communication.

The Scouts cooked pancakes for Shrove Tuesday and then in our last meeting on 16th March they built two aerial runways down the length of the Den using ropes and poles. Pulleys were attached and the teams raced to transfer 'equipment' from one end of the Den to other without touching the floor in 'no-mans land'.

Despite being unable to meet for group activities our three Senior Scouts (our Patrol Leaders) found ways to complete their Expedition Challenge. Each Scout produced an expedition plan which was emailed to Marc for review and approval. They then completed the expeditions over two days as per their plan, hiking and then cooking and camping in their own gardens. A report detailing the activity and their observations was written and also submitted to Marc.

The following planned events were cancelled due to the pandemic:

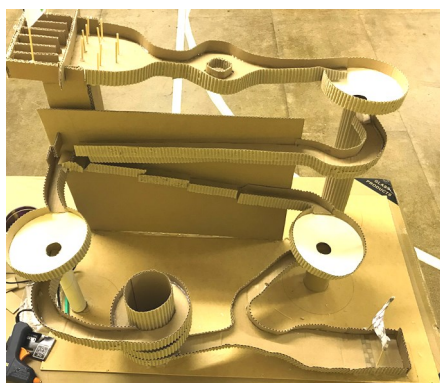
31st March, Go-Karting at Farnborough

2nd May, Fleet Fun Walk

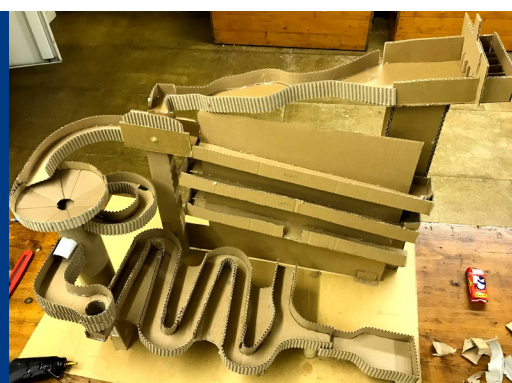
29th-31st May, Group Camp at Tilford

20th-24th August, Summer Camp at Bentley Copse

Marc Howard



Marble runs - race tracks
made from cardboard.



Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the Fleet 22nd Odiham Scout Group

I report on the accounts of the Group for the year ended 31st December 2020

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

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

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the Group's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts attached hereto for the year ending 31st December 2020.

Scrutineer's Statement

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

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22nd ODIHAM (FLEET) SCOUT GROUP RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS STATEMENT

Budget 2020

12 months to end 2019	
Amount	Total

12 months to end of 2020	
Amount	Total

RECEIPTS

MISCELLANEOUS			
3,700.00	Section Subs	£2,980.00	£735.00
	Direct Subs	£0.00	£40.00
1,200.00	Gift Aid	£701.91	£0.00
40.00	Contribution from 26th - Water rates	£33.78	£63.03
40.00	Contribution from 26 th - Fire Safety Testing	£0.00	£61.16
100.00	Rent - Explorers	£100.00	£0.00
		£3,815.69	£899.19
FUND RAISING EVENTS			
250.00	Donations	£325.00	£292.87
		£325.00	£292.87
GROUP ACTIVITIES			
	Group Camp	£0.00	£0.00
	Summer Camp	£0.00	£0.00
	ODSC District Camp Contribution	£50.00	£90.00
		£50.00	£90.00
5,330.00	Total	£4,190.69	£1,282.06

PAYMENTS

MISCELLANEOUS			
150.00	AGM expenses	£137.57	£95.48
300.00	ODSC badges	£300.00	£100.00
	ODSC Neckers	£0.00	£405.00
2,300.00	Capitation - Odiham District	£2,289.60	£2,153.55
50.00	Personal Accident Insurance	£0.00	£42.00
50.00	Donations	£146.00	£0.00
	Poppy Appeal	£0.00	£20.00
	Miscellaneous	£0.00	£0.00
		£2,873.17	£2,816.03
DEN SERVICES			
650.00	Den Insurance	£693.11	£734.02
150.00	Water rates	£171.07	£126.07
240.00	Electricity	£276.00	£240.00
80.00	Fire safety testing	£241.44	£0.00
		£1,381.62	£1,100.09
DEN MAINTENANCE / REFURBISHMENT			
500.00	Den maintenance	£159.99	£645.50
		£159.99	£645.50
EQUIPMENT PURCHASES AND REPAIRS			
500.00	Equipment	£307.60	£0.00
		£307.60	£0.00
FUND RAISING EVENTS			
	Fundraising	£0.00	£0.00
		£0.00	£0.00
GROUP ACTIVITIES			
700.00	Summer Camp	£0.00	£0.00
250.00	Scout Activities	£0.00	£0.00
	Group Camp	£421.50	£0.00
		£421.50	£0.00
5,920.00	Total	£5,143.88	£4,561.62

Note - the donation of £292.87 recorded in 2020 was in fact made up of donations received by the Group over previous years and kept for miscellaneous camp expenditure. The funds should have been credited on receipt in prior years. Given the lack of camp activities in 2020, the donations were credited to the Group accounts in 2020. Any future donations will be immediately credited to the Group accounts.

22nd Odiham (Fleet) Scout Group

Registered Charity No. 270304

**Receipts and Payments Account Summary - Group Funds for
the Financial Year
1 January 2020 - 31 December 2020**

	2019	2020
Total Receipts	£4,190.69	£1,282.06
Total Payments	£5,143.88	£4,561.62
Net Receipts	-£953.19	-£3,279.56
Bank Accounts b/f	£17,045.07	£16,091.88
Bank Accounts c/f	£16,091.88	£12,812.32
Totals	£16,091.88	£12,812.32

Section Funds

Scouts	£156.32
Cubs	£265.64
Beavers	£76.88

Approved by the Trustees on: 03 March 2021 | 16:20 GMT

And signed on their behalf by:

Group Chairman

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