

12th Sevenoaks 1st Edenbridge Scout Group

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

13th October 2011 at 7.00pm

MINUTES

	<p>Present Chris Barrow, Ian Kilner, Julie Madden, Alison Williams, Ian Crothall, Tom Crittenden, Sarah Clubley, Sarah Davies, Will Sinclair, Kate le Page, Ruth Hasson, Helen Rogers, Jeanette Schwarz (District Commissioner) Hugh Field and parents as below</p> <p>Chris Barrow, GSL, welcomed everyone to the meeting, including the District Commissioner Jeannette Schwarz.</p>
1	<p>Apologies Received from Steve Smith, Andrew Ramsey, Andy King</p>
2	<p>Adoption of Minutes The Minutes of the AGM of 18th November 2010 were presented to the meeting, then proposed by Julie Madden and seconded by Helen Rogers</p>
3	<p>Matters Arising There were no matters arising from last year's minutes.</p>
4	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) Group Scout Leader Report Chris Barrow thanked all the section leaders and helpers. As an overview of last year many of the activities were family orientated and this would continue for the coming years programme.</p> <p>b) Treasurer's report and accounts for 2010/2011</p> <p>In the absence of Steve Smith, Chris presented the accounts. In the year 2009/2010, the Group just about broke even (£28 profit) due to reduced costs and excellent donations along with fundraising. This year (2010-2011) we have reduced income – hall hire is down, so more fundraising is important so that the cost of camps and activities can be subsidized. Chris gave thanks to the fundraising team and asked that they be more supported, either in terms of help or supporting events.</p> <p>c) Section Reports</p> <p>Beavers PowerPoint presentation presented by Sarah Clubley of activities this year. Currently have 19 Beavers with 2 going up to Cubs and 3 new starters after half term. The parent help rota is successful and supports the leaders. Varied programme of events, kite making, scavenger hunts, collage making, lots of games and last weekend joining in the 25th anniversary of Beavers along with 17,000 other Beavers from the SE Region at Legoland. Chris congratulated both Sarah Clubley and Sarah Davies for completing their training and also Will Sinclair who is now ASL.</p>

The Cubs sang a song

Cubs

presented by Julie Madden (Akela). Cubs started the year with a panto – Lofty's Quest (thanks given to Keith Stichman for the script), which due to snow and illness was presented to the parents in February. Other activities this year were the Pinewood Rally – very successful event with about 60 people attending, the District quiz – Edenbridge came 2nd, and then 8th at the County event. The Cubs also did a fitness challenge in the park followed by the 5k fun run at Hartfield, where they were joined by other Group members. Tom Hagler, BBC reporter came and talked to the group. Cubs also went to Aquasports, for sailing and barbecue.

Quite stable numbers, group size 26-30.

Leader group doing well, Will Sinclair has joined as ASL.

Julie thanked Ian, Bernie, Alison & Will for their support and the Cubs for their enthusiasm.

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Scouts

Presentation by Ian Kilner. Slow start to the year with 7 Scouts, now doubled to 14. Have a few bike rides and have concentrated on scouting skills – lamps and stoves – how they work, axes and knives, woodcutting, cooking and mapping skills – references up to 8 figures, compass points and bearings, first aid, knots and lashings and pioneering, all with the aim of surviving at camp. 5 Scouts went to camp to put the skills into practice and learn a few more – raft building, air rifle shooting, backwoods cooking, problem solving and team work.

This years Bonfire parade entry will celebrate 50 years of manned space travel with a replica Russian Vostok rocket and a Sputnik.

We already have 6 Scouts booked on the Winter camp at Guilwell in January and we hope to plan some weekend camps and summer camp.

Thanks to TC and Erik for their support this year.

Short video of raftbuilding at camp.

Ian Crothall and Tom Crittenden gave a brief talk on their recent weekend to North Wales training 1 & 2 hill walking and micro navigation.

Explorers

In absence of Andy King, Chris asked Hugh Field to explain who Explorers are.

Fundraising

Presented by Chris Barrow who asked for help on the next fundraising event – the Burger stall for the Bonfire Parade.

5 **Election of Executive Committee members**

Chris said there had been no Group Chair since he stepped down to be GSL. In absence of any new nominations, the current committee was re-elected – Steve Smith as Treasurer, Andy Ramsey as Fundraiser, Paul Bennet as Maintenance contact, Kate Le Page, Ruth Hasson and Helen Rogers as committee members.

	<p>Seconded by Will Sinclair</p> <p>The Executive committee looks after the group and Chris urged parents to join, as a result, Nikki Callis volunteered. Proposer : Julie Madden, Seconded : Hugh Field</p>
6	<p>Any other business No other business.</p>
	<p>All business concluded, meeting ended 19.50</p>

Distribution

Michael Schwartz, District Secretary
Hugh Field, District Liason
Executive Committee

(All powerpoint presentations and reports available in zip file)

Parents/ Carers attending –
Clair Woodward
Liz Dargie
Stepehn Bennet
Tracy Silvester
Nicola Callis
Glenys Davis
Phil Cooper