



2nd MARLBOROUGH SCOUT GROUP

45 George Lane, Marlborough, Wiltshire SN8 4BX

Registered Charity Number 305932
Scout Group Registration Number 7021

Annual General Meeting held on 15th May 2023 in the Scout Hut

1. Welcome, Introduction:

Donna Kirby (Chair) welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the AGM

2. Present:

Previous Executive Members: Donna Kirby, Ken McDougall, Dave Waltham, Margaret Hawthorn, Caroline Harnett and Pauline Berry.

District President: Peter Povey

Leaders - Sarah Hart, Becky Gilbert and Cal Cooke

Apologies: Sharon Gaitskell, Derek Baker, Mike Mason and Viv Lucas

On site running a Beaver pack: Andrew Barnett, Alison Barnett, Deepthi Vaskanin and Jay Hickson

3. Review last year's minutes

These were accepted as accurate. Proposed: Ken McDougall and seconded Donna Kirby

4. Chairperson's Report 2023

This year we as a group have done numerous fundraising activities which included a sponsored park run on the common, our annual bonfire night, Christmas bag packing at Tesco and the selling of family photo sessions which were donated by Marlborough Photo Services (we still have a few left to sell if you are interested?). We have also been lucky enough to obtain some additional funding via various grants which we were successful in obtaining.

Our young people have experienced many activities, PGL and camps which in turn have generated many experiences and memories, with many achievements and badges gained. Our young people have experienced some fabulous activities thanks to the Tesco blue token scheme.

Our young people represented the group at the annual Remembrance Sunday Parade with the youngest young person being 5 years old and the oldest young person being 14 years old. Thank you to all that took part.

With the many changes ahead to what we have known and loved as the executive committee to the board of trustees and teams, we will look towards the past with fondness and look to the future with excitement and anticipation for the new challenges we have ahead

I would to thank the leaders for all the time you give to the group and our young people and to all the members of executive committee for everything you have done. All the local businesses that have supported us in various ways throughout the last 12 months.

Special thanks to Pauline and Caroline who spearheaded the parkrun fundraising event, Sarah for spearheading the Tesco bag packing event, Derek for spearheading our bonfire night fundraising event and to Pete Davies and Marlborough Photo Services for their kind donation of family photo sessions, Tesco for allowing us to bag pack in your store and the Tesco staff that volunteered on Bonfire night.

Finally, I wish to thank Caroline for her time and dedication as our Treasurer in the last 12 months she is stepping down as Treasurer to concentrate on our new fundraising team. Also, thanks and appreciation to Pauline who is stepping down from the executive committee we really are grateful for everything you both have done for the group.

5. Treasure's report:

The Treasurer's Report is attached.

6. GSL Report:

The GSL report is attached together with reports from all sections.

There is a Power Point presentation for the Scouts. A link to this can be obtained from the GSL

7. District President's report:

Thank you for the invitation to join you for your AGM this evening. I would like to thank Ken your GSL and his leaders, along with your chair of the trustees, trustee members and parent supporters, without these vital volunteers there would be no Scouting in Marlborough.

Judging by the comments made and your end of year reports, you have all had a very adventurous year, and had a lot of fun doing so.

This is what Scouting is all about.

Can I also speak about the **Mary Corton Trust** set up to perpetuate Mary's name to provide a grant for our young people requiring assistance for any scouting activities or training needs, within North East Wilts District. Chair P Povey.

The Stephen Chandler Young person award:

Presented annually to the young person who has demonstrated to the ability of age and has fulfilled their promise showing kindness, attitude, endeavour, friendship and consideration for others, both inside and out of their community.

The young person may also be someone who has had to overcome personal challenges in order to continue in Scouting.

The recipient of this award in 2022 was Paddy Kerrin from 2nd Marlborough.

Your GSL and exec members have the application form.

As your District president my thanks again for all you achieve for our District.

Peter J Povey.

N E Wilts District President.

8. Election and appointments The Board of Trustees for 2023/24

Chairperson: Donna Kirby - proposed by Ken McDougall and seconded by Margaret Hawthorn.

Secretary: Margaret Hawthorn - proposed by Donna Kirby and seconded by Dave Waltham.

Treasurer: Dave Waltham - proposed by Donna Kirby and seconded by Sarah Hart.

GSL: Ken McDougall – proposed Donna Kirby and seconded by Pauline Berry.

Members: Sarah Hart and Andrew Barnett: Both proposed by Donna Kirby and accepted Becky Gilbert.

These nominations were all relayed to the Beaver Leaders who were running the pack outside and together with all those attending was accepted.

It was agreed by those present that a Hut Team and a Fundraising Team would be elected as soon as possible.

POR: It was agreed by all present to accept POR as the Constitution with any updates as advised by Scout Headquarters.

9. Appoint the independent examiner for the coming year:

Dave Waltham will approach Mr John Williams to ask if he will continue as examiner of the group's accounts. This was agreed by the meeting.

10. Any other business:

There were two items discussed:

Having events in the hall at future AGMs to try to encourage parents to attend.

Transferring funds into savings accounts for major hall maintenance.

Ken McDougall advised that Andrew Barnett had completed 30 years' service with the group and all present proceeded to the Beaver pack meeting and presented him with his award.

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked all concerned and the meeting closed at 6.50 pm.

19 May 2023