



# Scouts

4th Ashby de la Zouch

## Annual Report & Accounts

March 2017 - February 2018



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## Agenda

Prior to the meeting you are welcome to enjoy the activities.

- Welcome
- Apologies
- Adoption of the Annual Report and Accounts
- Election and Appointment of Officers
  - Approval of the GSL's nomination of the Group Chair
  - Election of Group Secretary
  - Election of Group Treasurer
  - Acknowledge Section Leaders wishing to opt to take their role on the committee
  - Election of any General Members of the Committee
- Remarks from our Guests
- Conclusion and vote of thanks
- Awards Presentations

After the meeting there will be a chance for award recipients to have their photograph taken and for all to enjoy the activities. Please note the Zip wire and crafts will not be running after the meeting.



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## Group Scout Leader's Report

This annual report for 2017-2018 will serve as a record of what we achieved for years to come. The year hasn't been easy but we have achieved great things - together with our friends at Ashby (Hastings) we have almost cleared the waiting list so all new enquiries can start at the beginning of term.

At our last AGM, our Chair, Sharon, stood down after many years of holding the role. We are still working on recruiting a replacement for this key role.



The group has been so active and there have been huge contributions of time, energy, enthusiasm and humour by so many volunteers. My own heartfelt thanks to them are I am sure, echoed by our Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and their parents.

Looking forward, we are producing a plan to work towards the Scout Association's strategy to 2023 and we continue to work closely with our friends at Ashby (Hastings) Scout Group and Ashby & Coalville District to offer first class Scouting to more young people in the area.

*Jonathan Bloor, Group Scout Leader*

## Beaver Scouts



At the start of this Scouting year we had our two long standing colonies - Woodland and Riverbank, both doing nicely - more later on them. With support from the Scouts' Regional Services Team and our funded Project Supporter, Mike Morse, we opened **two** new colonies.

### New Beginnings

On a Friday, we have the Mountain Ridge colony, ran by Matt, Jim and Lee. Numbers are around 20-22 and the group are working on an energetic programme since opening up fully after Christmas.

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Sundays sees our Hidden Valley colony meeting, led by Saff, Graham, Paul, Rick and Jayne, supported by a host of keen parents. This group has also been busy, a highlight being a contest to design a car of the future using an Aston Martin Vantage for inspiration!

### Riverbank Colony

Riverbank Beavers have been working and playing hard over the last year. Welcoming new Beavers and saying goodbye to others as they make their scouting journey to Cubs.



We have

earned many badges over the year with 10 Chief Scout Bronze Awards due!

The Autumn term brought us a new young leader, Panda (Emma Crumbley), an informative trip to the Fair to All Fairtrade shop and a trip to the Ashby Fire Station. We learnt all about the United Kingdom, tasted food, drew flags and learnt about the capital cities, we even had a Welsh lesson! We had lots of spooky fun at our Halloween party and got very festive at our Christmas party!

During Spring and Summer terms we've had fun at the Bath Grounds and at the Willesley Campsite, where we've had campfires, been bug hunting, tree climbing, tracking and mud drawing to name but a few of the exciting things we've done.

None of this would be possible without the help and support of Jellyfish (Jill Edwards,) Hamster

(Beth Jones), Shark (Issy Mummery), Seahorse (Lisa Preece),

Snake (Logan Eddy) and Panda (Emma Crumbley). So, a huge thank you to you all! A thank you also goes to all the parent helpers who come along when needed.

As another year comes to an end and so does our time with the Riverbank Beavers. Our children have moved onto Cubs so it is time to handover the mantle to another group of parents as their children start their scouting journey in Beavers. We will miss you all.

Jo Cooper, Beaver Scout Leader



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## Woodland Colony



This past year Woodland beavers have been very busy working our way through lots of different badges. I am very proud with how much we have managed to cover! We have enjoyed visits out to Pets at home, Our Lady Of Lord's catholic church, East Midlands Aeropark and Ashby Fire Station which we all enjoyed very much, seeing the fire engine and finding out about what they do when they are called out.

We have also run meetings for parents to come and join in, making sweetie cups and Christmas crafts.

We currently have 15 beavers 4 new members this year and 5 who will move up to Cubs by Christmas.

I would like to Thank those who help out during meetings and to Fox and Owl (Lynne and Rachel) for your continued support as leaders.

*Polar Bear Harriet*

## Cub Scouts

### Waingunga Cub Pack



Our Waingunga Pack was led by Al Lester until Christmas when he fully moved to become Deputy District Commissioner. Since then, parents and our Project Support have run the pack. In the last week, a light at the end of the tunnel has shone, as new volunteers come forward to start to make the pack better.

A big thanks to Mike Morse, the project supporter for keeping things going and the dedicated team of parents that have helped - Mike, Steve, Phill, Vicky, Jane and Martin. A note of thanks also to Al for all that he has done at 4th Ashby over several years.

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## Seonee Cub Pack

At present we have 29 Cubs and 6 Leaders on our books.

During the past 12 we have been working on various badges including Entertainer, Hobbies, Photography, Road Safety, Fire Safety, Disability Awareness and the Skills, Teamwork and Adventure Challenge Badges, which has helped 4 cub's earn the top award in Cubs the chief scout silver award.



We have also able to run a drum night and a fencing activity night and an amazing trip to look round and explore a police helicopter.

In early May this year 25 cubs went canoeing at Moira furnace, thankfully the weather was kind to us and everyone had a great evening especially at the end when all of the Cubs had to get into 1 canoe and it capsized.

Our last meeting before the summer holidays will be on Thursday 5th July and will start back on Thursday 6th September at Willesley campsite from 18:00 to 19:30.

In early August 14 Cubs will be attending ou summer camp which will be at Seonee Lair campsite and activity Centre near Whitby. Trips planned include: Flamingo Land, Scarborough waterpark, Cleveland mining museum, the moors Centre & the North Yorkshire Moors Railway.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mark, Stuart, Sonia, Angie & John for all their help during the last 12 months

Andrew Leake, Cub Scout Leader



## Scouts

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Our programme this year started early January with our first time attending “Ice Breaker” at Beaudesert Activity centre for the Day. The day started early with a cooked breakfast, then we were hit the activities, including, high ropes, crate stacking, quad bike, bouncy castles, Axe throwing, zip wire, shooting and team building, we also had a hot lunch and evening meal. The day ended with a movie and a disco.

We also ran our now annual “brass monkey” camp weekend in February which involved walking through the Leicestershire countryside then sleeping in open shelters after a hearty hot meal.

In the Spring we were back backpacking at Alstonefield in Derbyshire, for the younger scouts this gives an opportunity to brush up on their map reading skills, As for the older scouts, it allows them to put into

practice all that they have learnt at Scouts whilst being completely self-sufficient for the weekend. A great weekend was had by all without too many wrong turns being made and the weather being fairly kind.

Summer camp was held at Beaudesert Camping and Activity Centre scout camp site near Cannock Chase. Activities included: High Ropes, Go Karting, Climbing, Abseiling, Sleeping in Hammocks, Axe throwing and a visit to Alton Towers.

The Scouts have also taken part in several District events including canoeing at Moira Furnace and canoe camp at Willesley. Plus of course the annual parades.

Over the year the Scout section numbers have again been running at a high, we have been doing many great things on our regular meetings nights including building Lighthouses and have The Ashby and Coalville Lions visiting us to talk about food waste.





The new Scout year has started off on a triumphant note with a number of Scouts achieving their Gold Award which is with the highest award they can gain in the Scout section.

This year's summer camp is all set, with us heading to Harry's Island in the new forest. Activities booked already include, Paddle boarding, Raft building, High ropes, Mountain biking and a visit to an Aqua park plus much more.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say congratulations one of our leaders Andrew Haigh and his wife Tracey who earlier this year gave birth to their second son, Toby. Andrew (Ernie) is on sabbatical at the moment.

Watch out for exciting news in the next few months!! In 2020 we are planning to again organise our most exciting summer camp. We will be flying our scouts to the Channel Islands for a week long summer camp in Jersey. Planned activities included Jet Skiing, Coasteering, mini plane flights around the island, surfing, climbing plus much, much more. This camp will cost more than a normal summer camp, but we would like to set up a

fundraising team to help raise funds to offset some of the cost of the camp. If you think you would like to help then please approach one of the scout leaders.

We all look forward to the coming Scouting year and the activities we plan to do. And finally I would like to thank all the members of the Scout leadership team for the help they have given me over the past year, as without their time and support Scouts would not be as fun for the Scouts nor leaders alike, and a final thank you to the parents for supporting their Scouts.

*Paul Campion, Scout Leader*



## 4th Ashby Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

For the year from	1st March 2017 to 28th February 2018	1st March 2016 to 28th February 2017
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### Receipts and payments

	2017/2018 Unrestricted funds £	2016/2017 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Donations, legacies and similar income</b>		
Membership subscriptions	11,705.00	11,259.00
Less: Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)	-	9,962.20
Net membership subscriptions retained	4,964.60	1,296.80
Donations	138.72	596.65
Legacies	-	-
Gift Aid	2,660.51	8,373.83
Match Funding	300.00	300.00
Other similar income	3,422.62	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>11,486.45</b>	<b>10,567.28</b>
<b>Grants</b>		
Maintenance grant	-	-
Other grants	500.00	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Fundraising (gross)</b>		
Activities	1,503.50	1,628.00
Badges/Uniform	69.40	223.64
Camps	5,922.00	5,460.00
Christmas Post	1,058.35	1,078.93
Easyfundraising	72.15	38.05
Other Fundraising Activities	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>8,625.40</b>	<b>8,428.62</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Bank interest	13.00	36.19
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		-
Property Rent income		-
Referral Income		38.69
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>13.00</b>	<b>74.88</b>
<b>Total Gross Income</b>	<b>20,624.85</b>	<b>19,070.78</b>
Asset and investment sales, etc.	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>20,624.85</b>	<b>19,070.78</b>

## 4th Ashby Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account

Year start date

Year end date

For the year from	1st March 2017 to 28th February 18	1st March 2016 to 28th February 2017
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### Receipts and payments

	2017/2018 Unrestricted funds £		2016/2017 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Payments</b>			
<b>General Payments</b>			
Activities	1,550.02	4	2,981.18
Administration/Executive Costs/Sundries	101.88	2	253.50
AGM	625.70		226.69
Badges/Uniform	2,449.99		1,052.57
Bank & Card Charges (inc go cardless)	393.01		547.10
Bonfire Night	676.91		748.32
Camps	5,190.78		5,130.16
Christmas Post	117.74		312.30
Equipment and Maintenance	1,779.70		985.88
Insurance/Minibus Permits	206.25		215.31
Group Development & Growth	3,196.23	3	144.00
Meet Costs (weekly activities)	950.05	4	
OSM Activities, Camp & Subscription Fees	661.03		219.50
Rent	2,648.00		2,630.00
Training Costs	-		-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>20,547.29</b>		<b>15,446.51</b>
<b>Fundraising expenses</b>			
	-		-
	-		-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>		<b>-</b>
<b>Total Gross Expenditure</b>	<b>20,547.29</b>		<b>15,446.51</b>
<b>Asset and investment purchases, etc.</b>	-		-
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>20,547.29</b>		<b>15,446.51</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>77.56</b>		<b>3,624.27</b>
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>			25,900.90
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>77.56</b>		<b>29,525.17</b>



## Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2017/2018 Unrestricted funds £	2016/2017 Unrestricted funds £
<b>Cash funds</b>		
Bank current account	1,430.16	4,332.24
Bank Current account (2)	1,356.48	1,647.48
Bank deposit account	26,013.00	23,492.45
Pre-paid Credit Card Balance	824.90	-
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		-
Cash/Floats	83.16	148.00
<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>29,707.70</b>	<b>29,620.17</b>
<b>Other monetary assets</b>		
Tax claim	-	-
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group	-	-
Insurance claim	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Investment assets</b>		
Investment property - detail	-	-
Quoted investments	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Non monetary assets for charity's own use</b>		
Badge stock	150	150
Land and buildings	-	-
Motor vehicles	-	-
Scouting equipment, furniture etc	2,000	2,000
Other	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>2,150</b>	<b>2,150</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts not yet paid	-	-
Expenses incurred but not invoiced	-	-
Subscriptions not yet paid	-	-
Loan - detail	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

### Contingent liabilities and future obligations

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 27th June 2018 (the date of the Executive Committee meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature

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Print Name

Sharon Kaye, Chairman
Deborah Crumley, Treasurer

- 1 Higher scout fees because of new members - had to pay 1 yrs worth but they had only been in group for 2 months maximum
- 2 Combined Admin and Sundries
- 3 Expansion of group and investigations into a new building
- 4 Activities has been split to identify meeting costs and external activity costs
- 5 prepaid credit cards introduced to decrease impact on personal expenditure

# 4th Ashby Scout Group

## Confidence in these Financial Statements

As an independent charity (Registered with the Charity Commission in England - No 1125053), we are required to have our accounts examined by an independent person. We must also supply the Ashby & Coalville District Scout Council with a copy of these statement for further scrutiny if required.

### Independent Examiner's Report

#### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

4th Ashby.....SCOUT GROUP/DISTRICT/COUNTY/AREA SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District/County/Area for the year ended 28 February 2018 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet and related notes set out on pages.....

This report is made solely to the trustees in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees for my examination work.

#### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's/District's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 145 of the Charities Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group/District and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~):

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act ;and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply

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