

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE SCOUT HUT ON WEDNESDAY 13 MAY 1981 AT 8pm.

PRESENT: Mr & Mrs Birch, Mr & Mrs Cox, Mr & Mrs Flack, Mr & Mrs Mark Barratt, Mr & Mrs Pettitt, Mr & Mrs Ward, Mr & Mrs St John, Mrs Hardy, Mr Eccleston, Mrs Allen, Mrs Banks, Mrs Clarke, Miss Clarke, Mr Puffett, Miss Mason, Mr Harrison, Mr Carruthers, Mr Figg, Mr Rees, Mrs Harbert, Mr Evans, Mrs Abington, Mr Hulley.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr & Mrs Secerkson, Mr & Mrs Curtis, Mr & Mrs Martin Barratt, Mr R. Quarterman.

1 WELCOME AND MINUTES OF LAST A G M

A welcome was extended to those present by the Chairman, Mike Flack, and the meeting declared open. Minutes of previous AGM held on the 10 June 1980 were agreed.

2 GROUP REPORT (Mike Cox)

The membership of the group has stayed much the same as the previous year. Scouts - a thank you was extended to Stan Birch, Steve Rees and John Hurley. The scouts won a camp plaque this year and a patrol would be going into a lightweight camping competition later in the year. The three cub packs were working well - with a membership of approx 20 boys in each. Numbers were building up slowly in the Oak Pack, with membership going down in Wood and Birch packs. The cubs had won the football competition - with congratulations and many thanks going to Roger Figg for all his hard work. David Ward would now be taking over the running of the football. The Committee achieved most of its aims during the year, in particular the flooring and heating in the hut.

3 SECTION REPORTS

Scouts (Stan Birch) - Prior to and since the last AGM we have worked hard to dispel adverse comments received in respect of the Scout troop. We have been able to concentrate on scouting completely since the discontinuation of scout football in 1980. Several camps and competitions have taken place: First a District Camp at Knebworth; July to Cheshunt; August annual weeks camp at Brighton; October/ Chalfont Heights working for Campers and Camp Cooks Badge; November/night hike and camp taken by S Rees; December/annual carol singing; March/two boys on patrol leaders course; Early April/some of the lads pulled a trek cart to Well End, taking three hours and being the first cart to make the trip in 30 years. Camping competitions entered last year we managed 6th and 8th - this year took 5th and 1st place.

Cubs Birch Pack (Nigel Carruthers) - Average of about 20 in the pack at the moment. A most pleasing thing has been the greater proportion of lads going up to Scouts. Usual events have taken place during the year - athletics, cub sports, boating day. A new activity has been a hike and camp with the boys and leaders carrying everything, tents, sleeping bags, water, cooking gear; camped the night and walked five miles the next day. Swimming gala -nowhere! Enjoyed two camps. Sixers day very successful. Visited district evening gang show. Weekend hike to Well End. Job Week. St Georges Day Parade. Thank you to helpers and those people who helped test for badge work.

Cubs Oak Pack (Sue Barratt) - 17 boys in pack which has been going for just over a year. Three boys gone into scouts. Three boys gained gold arrows. Run a home help proficiency badge course with the help of mothers. Gained 2 athletics badges, 4 hobbies badges. Third in District Sports. 8th in Handicraft competition - only 4 boys entered with each one gaining a star. PC Fanshawe visited the pack. We were in the semi-finals of swimming gala. Last few weeks been making weather stations with a degree of success! Took part in camps with Wood and Birch packs.

Cubs Wood Pack (Anna Cox) - A fairly successful year. 8th in District Arrow Competition. 3rd in District swimming. 4th in free style. Run successful proficiency badge courses. Hoping to cover a new camper badge. 3 Gold, 6 Silver, 8 Bronze and 13 proficiency badges gained. Visited the fire station. A thankyou was extended to Robin for helping with the pack and Roger Figg who has done so well with the cub football.

Tolmers Camp - started wet and ended wet!, but nevertheless very enjoyable run on a 'pirate' theme. Lees Wood (Sept) thankfully weather was better, made bivouacs and Rosemary Butlin played a guitar and sang around a camp fire. Participated in a cub activities weekend at Well End last March, lighting fires and tracking. District Handicraft competition - last! Once again more help was needed from parents in badge work examining.

4 APPROVAL OF REPORTS - agreed unanimously.

5 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS TO 31st MARCH 1981 - Mrs Abington (Group Treasurer) distributed copies of the accounts to the year ended 31.3.81. A thank you was extended to David Bolton for auditing same.

6 APPOINTMENT OF GROUP CHAIRMAN - Mike Flack agreed to continue as Chairman.

(Mike Cox gave a short resume of the formation of the Executive Committee)

7 APPROVAL OF G.S.L's NOMINATIONS TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mr Hulley, Mr St John and Mrs Birch agreed to continue on the committee. Mrs Teresa Allen and Mr T Evans were nominated to the committee (proposed Mrs Barratt, seconded : Mrs Birch).

8 ELECTION OF GROUP SECRETARY - Mrs Hardy agreed to continue for the coming year. (proposed Mr Hulley, seconded Mrs Birch)

9 ELECTION OF GROUP TREASURER - Mrs Abington agreed to continue for the coming year. (proposed Mr Hulley, seconded Mrs St John)

10 ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - agreed as above.

11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Fund Raising Committee - Mr Hulley agreed to Chair this committee assisted by Mrs T Allen, Mrs Clarke, Miss Clarke, Mrs Flack, Mrs Seckerson.

Cub Football (Roger Figg) - Played 22 games. 133 goals for and 19 against. 122 goals by 4 boys. Gained promotion to first division. Played 16 games; won 13, drew 1, lost 2. Reached semi-final of Selway Cup. Won the league trophy. A thank you was extended to Mr Evans for use of the school pitch at no charge for inter-pack games, parents for providing transport, Dave for taking over and my wife for washing shirts! A presentation pot plant was given to Roger for his wife.

Public Hall Licence - still working towards this end.

MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45 pm.

.....CHAIRMAN

A. Hardy

.....SECRETARY