

## **1st Nuneaton (Attleborough)**

### **Annual General Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> October 2020**

#### **Present**

Adam Barrett, Chair

Mick Judd, GSL

Richard Goode, Treasurer

Julia Phillips, Secretary

Plus other committee members, leaders and parents

#### **Minutes**

The minutes of the AGM held on 6<sup>th</sup> September 2019 were approved as a correct record.

Proposed: Barbara Judd

Seconded: Anya Reubens

#### **Chairman's Report**

Adam Barret, Chair of the Group Scout Executive Committee welcomed everyone and thanked people for attending. Adam introduced: Mick Judd, Group Scout Leader; Richard Goode, Treasurer and Julia Phillips, Group Secretary. Adam explained the function of the Group Scout Executive Committee which is to ensure that the 1<sup>st</sup> Nuneaton Scouts is properly funded and managed within the rules of association. As a registered charity the Group is legally obliged to hold an AGM annually to demonstrate transparency.

Adam's role tonight is to thank all those operating on the front line and behind the scenes who help to ensure that the 1<sup>st</sup> Nuneaton continues to be such a successful scout group. Adam described the challenges of the previous 6 months for both leaders and the young people. These challenges were overcome by the dedicated team of leaders who provided on-line sessions and who continued to support our young people with their scouting activities. He thanked the leaders for the passion, hard work and commitment that they have displayed over the previous year.

Adam thanked the Group Scout Executive committee with particular thanks to Richard Goode the Treasurer who has ensured that the Group is in a strong financial position which meant that it did not have to continue to take subs during lockdown and will not be doing until next year. Richard Good will be presenting the position regarding the Group's finances shortly. A special thank you also to Darren O'Toole who during lockdown has replaced all of the lights and heaters in the headquarters (with help from George Reubens) and continued to maintain the grounds.

Adam thanked the parents who have continued to support us during the year and reminded them that there are always opportunities for parents to become more involved and providing more direct support to the Group. If any parent is interested in volunteering their time we would be very happy to hear from them. Adam reminded people that everyone who helps at 1<sup>st</sup> Nuneaton is a volunteer and gives up their own time to support the activities of the Group. Adam asked parents to join him in thanking them all for the hard work that they do.

## **GSL Report.**

Mick Judd, Group Scout Leader welcomed everyone to the AGM.

What a year it has been, one that will not be forgotten in a hurry but despite all of the challenges that Covid presented the leaders all rose to the challenge and continued to deliver scouting activities on-line.

Looking back over the year Mick highlighted some of the fantastic achievements of the previous year. These included:

- An overnight camp to West Midlands Safari Park for 124 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, an Explorer, leaders and co-opted parents. Mick thanked Julie for organising this successful event.
- The setting up of a new Beaver Colony which now has 18 members and five new leaders. The huge waiting list for Beavers was highlighted as a concern at last year's AGM so it is fantastic to be able to report the establishment of this new colony. Mick gave thanks to Anya and Viv who had supported setting up the new colony and who continued to support it way beyond what was originally envisaged.
- At last years AGM Mick reported that the numbers of young people attending had stagnated at 159 but we can now report that 202 young people are now attending and that this is an increase in every section across the group. Mick believes that this is down to the fantastic programmes the leader teams are offering. This resulted in us being awarded the prestigious Dave Mein Development award for the 2nd time in 4 years.
- Meeting the Covid challenge – when Covid struck camps had to be cancelled, face to face meetings halted but none of this phased the leaders who started to think creatively about how they could continue to hold meetings via Teams and Zoom. The online meetings were accessed by many of the young people and were a lifeline to their parents.
- September we got the go ahead to restart limited face to face meetings, outdoors at first but an ability to move indoors when the weather turns. Mick stressed that although it is great to be back meeting face to face we must all continue to be vigilant – keep sanitising and maintain distance as this will ensure that we keep our young people safe.

- All of our established leaders are up to date with their mandatory training including first aid, safeguarding etc. New members of staff are undertaking the necessary training. The Group is GDPR Compliant and almost all leaders and the group Executive have completed this training.

Mick ended by thanking the Group Executive for the work that they do to support the activities of the Group. The prudent financial approach taken over the years meant that the Group was in a strong financial position to be able to continue to function when subscriptions were suspended. We knew we would one day need emergency funding, and this year was it. Mick thanked his “fantastic team” of leaders for all that they have done over the last year to give our.... and your young people the best possible scouting experience!

### **Treasurers Report**

Richard presented the income and expenditure statement for April 2019 to March 2020. Income increased significantly in 2019-20 compared with the previous year – an increase of £4,458 due to increased numbers of young people attending and also as a result of all payments now being made by direct debit.

Overall the Group ended the year with a slightly increased overspend on the previous year - £1,989 in 2019-20 compared to an overspend of £181 for 2018-19.

The main changes in costs relating to the previous year were:

- higher capitation payments relating to increased numbers of young people attending – an increased cost of £1,854
- increased spend on HQ maintenance of £2,184
- increased section spending on activities and consumables of £1,543
- Camp expenditure and transport costs which accounted for an increase in spend over and above what was spent in the previous year of £822.

This overspend is not an area of concern as the Group has a healthy reserve to meet this additional spend.

### **Election of Officers**

The Group Scout Leader confirmed that Adam Barrett would remain in the role as Chair.

Nominees for all committee posts were sought and Richard Goode and Julia Phillips confirmed that they would be willing to continue in their roles as Treasurer and Secretary.

Group Treasurer – Richard Goode was proposed by Barbara Judd and seconded by Anya Reubens

Group Secretary – Julia Phillips was proposed by Dennis White and seconded by Rebecca Reubens.

**Awards 2020 - Congratulations to:**

Harrison Yates.	Monday Beavers,
Logan Lucas.	Monday Rowallan cubs,
Daniel Guaghan.	Tuesday Scouts,
Krystal Nelson.	Wednesday Scouts,
Aanya Trivedi.	Thursday Beavers,
Reece Nunn.	Thursday Cubs
Rowan Sheppard.	Friday Beavers
Helena Nyvlotva	Friday Cubs,
Matthew Wood.	Explorers
Bex Reubens.	Young Leader,

**1st (Attleborough) Nuneaton Scout Group**  
**Income Expenditure Prev Year Comparison**  
**April 2019 through March 2020**

	<u>April 2019 to March 2020</u>	<u>April 2018 to March 2019</u>
	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
Carnival Award		
Donations received	1,255	185
Bonfire night surplus	577	375
Other function surplus		
Gift Aid	3,171	3,022
Hiring of Facilities		725
Subs Collected	16,452	12,690
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£21,455</b>	<b>£16,997</b>
<b>Expense</b>		
Activity costs		
- HQ Funded	90	186
- Section spend	5,200	3,657
- Badges, Awards, Programmes	153	150
- AGM costs	127	
Direct Debit cost	467	360
Jamboree Contributions		380
Equipment Repairs/Maint		320
Admin costs		
Insurances	597	606
Lawn mower costs		
Transport costs	1,000	625
Printing & Stationery		
Property Expenses - cleaning etc	4,008	1,824
Miscellaneous	28	7
Electricity	1,398	1,226
Rent (NBBC)	1,088	1,080
Water charges	223	442
Camp Expenditure	1,832	1,385
Security costs	368	360
Telephone & Web	634	830
Training	238	
Uniform costs (net of sales)	399	
Capitation paid	5,594	3,740
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>23444</b>	<b>17178</b>
Adjustments to funds	-1989	-181

Prepared by Richard Goode, Group Treasurer - Sep 2020  
Audited and verified by S. Beacham, BWGC