

A Registered Scottish Charity No SC033531

## Annual Report 2022





We started back in the Church Hall on 21<sup>st</sup> September and began work on the Space Badge, our first activity being paper-mache planets – thank goodness for a dry night as we were able to work outside as this was a particularly messy night. The following week, once the planets where dry, the Beavers painted their own design. We continued the badge work with space themed games and stargazing outside the hall as the dark nights worked in our favour. In between all of this, we had an outing on the Glasgow Tour Bus, thanks to a generous charity contribution from Arnold Clark – pictures on Facebook.



The end of October saw some of the Explorers from Pegasus come along to help the beavers make poppy biscuits and giant poppies that were then displayed in the Church for the Annual Remembrance Service.



Space badge work finished with an evening dedicated to the International Space Station (which we tried to spot till we discovered it was southern hemisphere!) and the beavers built their own space stations using sports equipment, paper and pens – some imaginative designs were made. We invested 12 Beavers in November, their investiture had been delayed due to you know what, but good to be able to invest face to face again. All the Beavers created promise hands before the investiture and then they promised to do some good deeds at home. Our final night before Christmas break was the annual party with pass the parcel, musical statues and 'turn an Explorer into a snowman' being played.



We also said farewell to 7 Beavers who would be moving on to Cubs in the New Year. A new year brought a new badge to work on – Global Issues – and the first activity was to create a list of endangered animals. They then chose one of those animals to turn into a face mask as their next part of the badge work.

In February we all made bird feeders from small plastic bottles. Into March and the beavers went to Lapwing Lodge for the day and made journey sticks, clay animals, did fire lighting using flints and steels and toasted marshmallows. They also took part in an un-nature walk around the site to see if they could find things that should not have been there. All this was done on a glorious sunny day – true 145<sup>th</sup> weather! We asked the Beavers to work on their water filters at home during the Easter break and were delighted with the results. The end of April saw us invest another 12 Beavers into the colony.



Into the final session before the summer and we started on the Communicator badge and learnt about the phonetic alphabet then each lodge were challenged to make shapes of letters using all members of the lodge. Karen from the 35<sup>th</sup> came along to teach the beavers Makaton as part of their badgework.

May saw us celebrate the Platinum Jubilee and each Beaver made their own crown before we completed 70 challenges (10 star jumps, 10 rocket jumps, 10 songs, 10 chants, 10 standing crunches, 10 ball throws and finally 10 laps around the hall wearing their crowns). The final night in June ended with a party with balloons, cakes and music which were all request by the Beavers.



Thank you to all who have helped over the past year, Jane, Lesley, Maya, Theo, Alice, Yaz and Essa, plus all parents who helped out at outings.

Lindsay Sharp and Jane Husbands 145<sup>™</sup> BEAVER COLONY



It was great to get back to in-person activities within the Cub Pack and to be back in the hall again after spending most of 2020 either on Zoom or out in the park. We took the opportunity to invest a lot of Cubs into the pack who had joined during lockdown and who had never had the opportunity to make their promise in-person.



At the end of October some of the Explorers from Pegasus come along to help the Cubs with a number of activities for part of the Annual Remembrance Service. This began our work on the World Challenge Badge. This involved making our own maps of the Giffnock area, exploring the local amenities around us and a visit to the Gurdwara.



Over the session we have also worked on the Communicator badge by sending emails, using cyphers and codes, learning the NATO alphabet and working out ingredients for pancakes. We also had a evening, building launchers to launch eggs over a barrier.

We also said goodbye to Iain McHugh as a Cub Leader and were grateful to Scout Leader, Colin Lamont, for standing in during the Spring and Summer Terms. We wish all those who have moved to Scouts all the best for the next part of their Scouting journey.

Irene Hemfrey, Matthew Pollock and Jake Royle 145<sup>TH</sup> CUB PACK

# SCOUTS

Scouts, since returning to face-to-face Scouting, continue to have had a number of meetings outdoor throughout the(nicer) weather of the late Summer and early Autumn with lots of rounders, running about and catching up with one another across Huntly Park and Rouken Glen. We were delighted to get back into the hall on a more regular basis and spent a large part of the year planning for our trip to the Kent International Jamboree in the Summer. This included working on our tent pitching and cooking skills and working on our map work.

We also helped with a collection in the early part of 2022 following the invasion of Ukraine, filling many bags with clothing, toiletries and shoes and jackets to help young people who had been displaced by the war. A very busy evening of activity for all involved.





Our regular evening finished with a special Patrol cooking competition, with some spectacular results.











The highlight of the year was the fabulous international experience at the Kent International Jamboree – one which the Scouts will remember for years to come.











We took part in many activities and day trips, met thousands of people, engaged in a range of sub-camp activities and day visits as well as learning lots of new things. Definitely worth the wait!

Thank you to all who have helped over the past year, but a special thanks to Thomas Crooks who assisted for the first part of the year and to Brendan Harris, our retiring GSL who was always there to lend a hand and accompanied us to KIJ – a great way to finish his time at the  $145^{\text{th}}$ !

Angus Husbands, Keir Kelso-Scott and Hugh Taggart  $145^{\mbox{\tiny TH}}$  SCOUT TROOP

## EXPLORERS

Explorer Scouting is a District provision, but we are lucky to be associated with Pegasus Explorer Scout Unit, a joint Unit between the 35<sup>th</sup> (Crookfur) and ourselves, which continues to be one of the strongest in the District. The Unit now boasts on average over 34 members attending every week.

We began our Autumn programme in August 2021, with a more normal return to activities after the last two years despite the need to still wear masks in indoor settings for a good part of the year.

Our first activity was a Team Building Challenge night in Pollok Park followed by a BBQ. A great way to get together again and welcome some new Explorers to the Unit.



This was followed by water activities at the James Hamilton Heritage Park and events in and around the hall such as our old favourite Scrapheap Challenge – this year to design a crazy golf hole. Our newer Explorers enjoyed a day walk around Whitelee windfarm whilst the older Explorers completed practice and qualifying expeditions for their Duke of Edinburgh Award.



We held a James Bond themed Halloween party and prepared for Remembrance 2021 by organising the service and running activities for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts – all leading towards the top awards.









2021 ended with Christmas parties and activities and we began 2022 with some glorious day walks around the local area in preparation for more DofE expeditions and collections for those suffering from the war in Ukraine.

As restrictions further eased we completed the ever popular Chippy Challenge, a spectacular Bake Off competition, activities day at Lapwing Lodge and the Great Underground Treasure Hunt.



The session finished with another Summer Camp at Meggernie Outdoor Centre in Perthshire which was enjoyed by all who attended.



We successfully completed some more DofE expeditions with Gold practices and Silver qualifications being run over the summer months. I am delighted to say that Jade Thompson became our second Queen's Scout Award recipient in recent years but also the first to also be awarded her DofE Gold Award.

**Bronze Awards** completed in the last year: Yasmin Badesha, Elliot Baxter-Seabrook, Rohit Kumar, Niall Mackenzie, Oscar Parker, Jamie Pollock, Heather Riches, Finlay Spooner and Mark Thompson.

Silver Awards completed in the last year: Maya Badesha and Ollie Robb

Gold Awards completed in the last year: Angus Husbands, Laura Thompson and Molly Ward.

Finally, I would like to finish by thanking Scott Adams, Gillian Caldwell, Thomas Crooks, Alasdair Keane and Molly Ward for their support and input to the Explorer Scout programme over the last year. As I step down as Explorer Scout Leader to take over as GSL of the 145<sup>th</sup> I am delighted to be leaving such a thriving and active Unit in the capable hands of Alasdair Keane who takes on the role of Explorer Scout Leader. I wish Alasdair and the team all the very best for the continued success of Pegasus ESU. It has been a privilege to work alongside such an excellent group of young people and Leaders over the last 20 years.

Kenneth Robertson EXPLORER SCOUT LEADER

#### **GSL REPORT 2021 – 2022**

We're back! After the past horrendous time, the 145<sup>th</sup> is back on its feet. 2021 / 22 has seen us in a more familiar routine. Thank goodness! Well done to all our leaders, our young people and their families! I mention families, as family support both to your youngsters and to the group is so important. It was great to meet so many of you at the BBQ and Scavenger Hunt in Pollok Park in August.

Some big changes, as everyone knows. Colin Lamont has stepped back from his leadership role after more than 15 years. Colin began as a leader in 2006 and became Scout Leader in 2012. We thank Colin for his long service to Scouting. This was of course after being a Beaver, Cub and Scout in the 145<sup>th</sup>!

We thank Lesley Mackay who stepped down from her Beaver leadership role in August. Lesley and her family have played a big part in the 145<sup>th</sup> over many years and we thank Lesley for her service.

Jane Husbands becomes Beaver Leader. We appreciate Jane's service to the Beavers and the big part Jane has played in supporting the Beavers and the other sections over the past years.

We thank Moira Harris who has also stepped down as a Cub Leader. Moira has been involved with all sections in one way or another over more than 20 years. The 145<sup>th</sup> owes Moira a huge debt of gratitude for her service, marked out by her keen interest in all the young people who have been in her care. This omits any mention of background support to the (former) GSL!

Well done to all our Leaders who have taken these big changes in their stride.

As you all are aware, it is time for me to hand over the reins and I am delighted to welcome Kenneth Robertson as the new Group Scout Leader for the 145<sup>th</sup>. Kenneth will bring enthusiasm, leadership and a wealth of Scouting experience to his new role.

I would like to record my huge appreciation of the support Lindsay Sharp, DGSL has given me and the 145<sup>th</sup> Group over the years. Whether it's helping to cover leader gaps, plan menus, drive the support vehicle while we are on maneuvers or giving me sage advice, Lindsay has been there. Thank you, Lindsay!

My stewardship has ended on a high, at the Kent International Jamboree with our Scouts. What a wonderful time we all had! This is the essence of Scouting, - challenge, fun and enjoyment together with friendship and loyalty. The founder of our Scouting movement, Baden Powell, said that "the real way to gain happiness is to give it to others" and over the years I have found this to be very true.

Brendan Harris GROUP SCOUT LEADER

CHARITY NUMBER SC033531

#### 145<sup>th</sup> GLASGOW SCOUT GROUP

#### ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

#### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity Name:	145 <sup>th</sup> Glasgow Scout Group		
Charity Number:	SC033531		
Trustees:	Judy Taggart Vacant John Harrower Brendan Harris Lindsay Sharp Lesley Mackay Iain McHugh Colin Lamont Kenneth Robertson	Chairperson Secretary Treasurer Group Scout Leader Assistant Group Scout Leader Beaver Scout Leader Cub Scout Leader Scout Leader Explorer Scout Leader	
Principal Address:	28 Claremount Avenue Giffnock Glasgow G46 6UT		
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#### TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

The Executive Committee have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 August 2022

#### STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

#### Constitution

The charity is a Scout Group constituted in terms of the Rules of The Scout Association, which itself is a charitable body incorporated by Royal Charter.

#### **Appointment and Retirement of Trustees**

Trustees are recruited and appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of the Scout Association.

The position of Secretary to the Group Executive Committee is currently unfilled.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Charitable Purpose**

The purpose of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law and guided by adult leadership.

#### **Activities & Achievements**

During the year the Charity has continued to grow its membership whilst increasing the number of opportunities available to its members by offering an increased number of outings, camps and adventurous activities.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

During the year the Charity made a deficit of  $\pounds 3,812$  (2021 -  $\pounds 6,336$ ). Unrestricted funds decreased to  $\pounds 22,496$  (2021 -  $\pounds 26,308$ ).

It has been requested again to consolidate the Explorer's accounts with the 145th Glasgow Scout Group.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The Trustees believe that around 2 months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves in order to cover the timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected items of expenditure. Reserves at the end of the year were  $\pounds 22,496$  (2021 -  $\pounds 26,308$ ) which is considered within range.

#### PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The Charity plans to continue to promote its charitable objectives through its activities and events.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on 8th November 2022 and signed on its behalf by:-



Judy Taggart Chairperson

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2022 which are set out on pages 5 to 7

#### **RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES & EXAMINER**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44 (1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

#### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

- 1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - To keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44(1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
  - To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations 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.

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David Nairn, CA Director Milne Craig Chartered Accountants Abercorn House 79 Renfrew Road PAISLEY PA3 4DA

8<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 22

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary Income			
Subscriptions	4	4,782	368
Fund-Raising Activities	5	1,280	2,251
Grants/Donations/Gift Aid		41	2,355
Group Activities			-
Scout Programme Events		3,911	2,631
Canada 2020		-	6,150
Canada 2023		4,125	-
Kent International Jamboree		3,876	-
Refund of Canada 2020 expenses		-	<u>10,468</u>
Total Receipts		<u>18,015</u>	24,223
PAYMENTS			
Cost of Fundraising		-	33
Group Activities			
Programme Activities		7,120	3,506
Badges, Books and Consumables		1,035	23
Premises & Equipment	6	2,500	1,784
General Expenditure		684	-
Kent International Jamboree		5,652	-
Canada 2023		3,856	-
Duke of Edinburgh		865	-
Refund of Canada 2020 bookings Essex 2020		-	23,991 122
Website Administration Fees		115	122
Donations		-	1,000
Total Payments		21,827	30,559
Deficit for year		(3,812)	(6,336)

All funds are unrestricted

#### STATEMENT OF BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	2022	2021
Funds Reconciliation	£	£
Balance as at 31 August 2020/2021	26,308	32,644
Deficit for year	(3,112)	<u>(6,336)</u>
Balance as at 31 August 2021/2022	<u>22,496</u>	26,308
Bank and Cash Balances		
Bank Current Accounts	6,323	7,900
Special Camp Account	4,929	7,007
Explorer Expedition Account	10,045	10,030
Cash in Hand	<u>1,199</u>	<u>1,371</u>
	22,496	26,308

#### **Other Assets**

There are no other significant assets at 31 August 2022

#### Liabilities

There are no significant liabilities at 31 August 2022

All funds are unrestricted

The Notes on page 7 form part of these Accounts.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee and signed on its behalf by:-



Judy Taggart Chairperson

8<sup>th</sup> November 2022

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

#### 1. **Basis of Accounting**

These accounts have been prepared on the receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities & Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

#### 2. Nature and Purpose of Funds

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The Trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the Group.

#### 3. Trustees Remuneration & Expenses

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration during the year (2021 - £nil).

		2022 £	2021 £
4.	Subscription Income		
	Beavers	1,560	615
	Cubs	1,224	1,107
	Group	1,298	2,706
	Scout Troop	1,440	1,034
	Explorer Scout Unit	<u>3,770</u>	<u>2,082</u>
		9,292	7,544
	Less: Paid to Scout Headquarters	<u>(4,510)</u> <u>4,782</u>	<u>(7,176)</u> <u>368</u>
5.	Fund Raising Income		
	Kent International Jamboree	430	-
	Sponsored Cycle	-	920
	Quiz Night	283	565
	Rag Bag	417	529
	Other	<u>150</u>	<u>237</u>
		<u>1,280</u>	<u>2,251</u>
7.	Premises/Equipment		
	Hall Rental	<u>2,500</u>	<u>1,784</u>