

Minutes of the Group Meeting  
Held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2013

Present: Malcolm Baker, Jill Skelley, Amanda Baker, Jane Hedge, Richard Moyses, Alan Gosling, Mark Burrell, Andy Ellis and Rachel Barkham

Apologies: Ray Purvis, Martin Appleby and Pam Page

AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS MINUTES

No amendments.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Hall Renovations

Malcolm had received a quote from Owen Wilby to remove the leaning wall and rebuild, remodel front and stepped path to entrance, replacing drain covers and paving. The quote is £3,500. Malcolm will try and obtain a cheaper quote. Malcolm has verbal permission from the Planning Officer re the wall, but we are able to remove if it becomes dangerous. Amanda has a contact that can do the ironwork at the front of the building at cost

2. Fundraising

The Quiz Night which is taking place on 19<sup>th</sup> January is fully booked with ten full tables.

Amanda approached Asda re the bag pack. Asda only allow one bag pack per month. Amanda will approach them again in the coming months.

Malcolm has been in contact with Real Education, an organisation which provides one to one tutoring. Amanda has shown them the facilities and they have booked four 2 hour sessions for the next couple of months with potential for more in the future.

TREASURERS REPORT

December

Current	Debits	
	Scout OSM	20.00
	British Gas – gas	201.25
Balance		£273.39
Savings	Credits	
	Interest	0.72
Balance		£5,238.70

Capitation values have changed slightly for Scouts and Explorers :-

Scouts	-	£1,100.00
Explorers	-	£240.00

## 200 CLUB

Draw to take place at the Quiz Night.

## BEAVERS REPORT

Currently 18 Beavers with 5 new starters last week. Working on Challenge Badges with five Beavers working towards Bronze Chief Scout. Planning a fete/table top sale for May half term to raise funds for Poacher which they hope to attend for a one day event.

## CUBS REPORT

Currently 22 members. Have been working on Creative Challenge. Doing the Artist Badge next week then Fitness and Global Challenge to work towards Silver Chief Scout. Hoping to do a camp at Walesby and then PGL again in October.

## SCOUTS REPORT

Currently have 25 members. Desperately short on helpers. Nicola has contacted parents requesting help. Consider restricting new members to children that either live Coddington side of the A1 and children of parents prepared to help. Currently working on pioneering badges and will be holding a wide games this week. Nicola would like to organise a camp.

## DofE

2 Gold Awards have been presented and 1 Bronze has now been completed. Four are working towards Silver with a new group of Bronze at 7<sup>th</sup> Newark. There are currently no Coddington DofEs.

## GSL

OSM – Online Scout Manager. This costs £55.00 per section to provide. Mark Burrell took the Committee through the concept. Mark said that he found it made his work load a lot easier to manage. Jill queried whether the Committee had to approve the non-signature expenditure for the sections. Committee queried whether their approval was required as the cost was deducted from the subs collected by OSM before they arrived in the accounts. Committee approved a trial of OSM.

## DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Richard reported that he had a new District Chairman, Adrian Johnson who is the CEO at Newark Showground. Adrian has accepted the role but they just need to deal with the paperwork. There would be a great potential for future camping at the Showground and Adrian has suggested that he would like to see the Scout and Guides open the Newark & Notts. Show.

Richard reported that the Newark Badge Secretary now had a supply of Chief Scout Award Certificates. You will now be able to buy a badge and certificate without having to buy in bulk.

Richard reported that he hoped to have everyone in the District on the network with their correct role.

Finally, Richard concluded his report by presenting Jill with her 15 years Service Award and Alan with his 5 year Service Award.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

1. Greenfields Sensory Garden. Richard said he would push this suggestion through to District. Lots of work would be required. Suggested that DofE would like to start clearing the property

as part of their service. Cubs and Scouts could then help with planting and maintaining. We were initially approached by a parent of a resident at Greenfields who has also offered to fund our expenses, i.e. gloves, shovels etc. We would ask for donations for planting. Malcolm suggested that this may be something to look to begin doing towards the Spring/Summer.

2. Quiz Night. The codes have been changed on the quiz night crockery cupboards to stop people using them. There is everyday crockery in the other cupboards. Jane said that Wendy Parrett had offered to donate some crockery for general use.

NEXT MEETING  
To be confirmed