

**Lauderdale Scout Group: Information Session and Annual General Meeting
Lauderdale Hotel, Wednesday 15 May 2019, at 6.30 pm**

Agenda:

Information session

Business meeting:

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Minutes of previous AGM
3. Election of Office Bearers
4. Section reports
5. Group Scout Leader's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Chair's report

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Present: A list of those attending is available on request

Apologies: Kristian Flucker, Lara Armitage, Carol Cook, Donaldson family

Guests: Brian Morrison, Deputy District Commissioner
Derek Brown and Ruth Smith, District Secretary

Andy Beaumont, Group Scout Leader welcomed everyone and introduced the guests from District. He invited Brian Morrison to present the following awards:

Bronze Scout Award to:
Cairn McBeath
Oliver Earnshaw

Gold Scout Award to:
Lewis Jeffs
Harry McCindle

Wood Badge to:
Rory Jackson
Steven Leach

Annual General Meeting

Andrew Meldrum, Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Minutes of the Previous AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 25 April 2017 had been circulated to those present. They were proposed by Vicky Hammersley and seconded by Crawford Laing as an accurate record of the meeting.

Appointment of Officer Bearers to Group Executive

Chairman – Andrew Meldrum was appointed Chairman having been proposed by Anne Lillico and seconded by Matt Redmayne.

Treasurer – Jacqui Millar was appointed Treasure having been proposed by Bob Millar and seconded by Dean Sewel.

Secretary – Anne Lillico was appointed Secretary having been proposed by Steve Leach and seconded by Rory Jackson.

Members of the Executive:

Gary Donaldson
Karin Scott
Ray Theedam-Parry
Bob Millar
Gordon Craig
Amy Earnshaw
Fiona Hamilton
Crawford Laing
Nina Kunkel

Section Reports

Each Section Leader presented a short report on their particular group's activities.

Group Scout Leader Report

Andy Beaumont noted the busy and varied year that the Group had had and thanked the all the Leaders for their time and commitment in developing and creating such a variety of activities for the various Sections. He went on to explain that although there was a good number of Leaders but the Group was always looking for new adult helpers to join it, particular as there would be some changes to the Leaders as children move through the sections.

He mentioned the Groups' participation at Blair Atholl Camp in July 2018 and the two Scouts selected to attend World Scout Jamboree in 2019.

Finances

Andy went on to explain that, like everything, the cost of running the various sections has increased over the years, giving the example of the cost of the Group neckers, which have gone up from £2.75 in 2012 to the current cost of £4.25. The main cost to the Group is the membership fee, which has to be paid for each member of the Group to the Scout Association and this covers various things but mainly insurance for activities. In addition, as a Charity we have to breakeven and have a reserve in the bank.

He went on to advise that following a discussion at the recent Executive meeting it had been agreed that subscriptions would be increased to £35 per child.

Chairman's Report

Andrew Meldrum went through the Group's accounts. He noted that they were in the process of being audited. In order to comply with the Charity requirements the Group should have £11k in the bank in reserve at all times. He explained that it was difficult to maintain this when the Group is trying to undertake repairs to the Scout Hall. He added that the Group is trying to get grants for various aspects of the work required to the hall.

He referred to his written report and picked out a couple of highlights including the Group sponsored walk for the Doddie Weir Trust; improvement to the entrance to Scout wood, and the repairs to the hall floor.

Andrew Meldrum closed the meeting by thanking all the Leaders, and in particular Sonya and Andy Beaumont.