



# County Annual Report and Accounts 2006 - 2007

**Annual General Meeting  
to be held on**

**Wednesday  
10th October 2007**

**Music Room,  
Whitgift School,  
Hayling Park Road,  
South Croydon.**

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### AGENDA

Prayers - District Commissioner Croydon, Theresa Jeffrey

Welcome by the County Chairman, Tony Edwards

Apologies for Absence

Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting

Matters arising from the 2006 Minutes

Approval of the Annual Report

Approval of the Treasurer's Report

Appointment of Vice Presidents

A report on Scouting in the County and presentations by the County Commissioner, Roger Hurrion.

Response and presentations to Roger Hurrion on his retirement by Ian Newbery County Commissioner (designate) and Dean Milton Regional Commissioner (Greater London))

Inauguration of  
Ian Newbery County Commissioner GLSW

Approve the County Commissioner's nomination  
of the County Chairman

Election of a County Secretary

Election of a County Treasurer

Election of Members nominated by  
the County Commissioner

Election of Members nominated by  
the District Scout Councils

Election of Representatives to the  
Council of the Scout Association

Appointment of an Independent Examiner

Any other business

Address by the Mayor Cllr Derek Millard

Closing address by Dean Milton

Presentations by GLSW Jamboree contingents and  
Sunrise Malawi 2007 Expedition

Meeting closes and refreshments

# Greater London South West Scout County

## Minutes of Annual General Meeting 7 June 2006

Whitton School, Percy Road,  
Twickenham, Surrey TW2 6JY  
7:30 for 8:00pm start

### 1. Prayers

The meeting opened at 8.00 with a prayer by the District Commissioner of Richmond upon Thames Steve Miles.

### 2. Welcome / Introductions

The County Chairman welcomed everyone including the Deputy Mayor of Richmond upon Thames Councillor Celia Hodges, Derek Humphreys and Chief Commissioner Peter Barnes.

### 3. Apologies for absence:

Angela Sailing.....County Secretary  
John Perkins.....DC Sutton  
Trevor Strong.....Chair Royal Kingston  
Ian Fleming.....Treasurer Royal  
Kingston  
Jackie Paddon.....Secretary Royal  
Kingston  
Dean Sutton.....Vice President  
John & Jean Taylor.....Vice Presidents  
Ian Hardy.....ADC Scouts  
Richmond upon  
Thames  
John Ashe.....Vice President  
Dave Johnson.....County Advisor  
Ed Wilson .....Network HQ  
Chairman  
Ian Newbery.....ACC Explorers  
Martin Milner.....Field Development  
Officer  
Ron Wellbrook.....Activity Advisor Hill  
Walking  
Terry Mitchell.....Gang Show  
Alan Maloney.....GSL 22nd Wimbledon  
Shirley Sainsbury Brown.....Vice President

Ray Shaw.....ADC Scouts Sutton  
Eric Bradley.....LTM Croydon  
Alan Lane .....Health & Safety  
Advisor

(Tony thanked Janet Drinkall for stepping in to take the minutes of the meeting)

### 4. Minutes of the AGM of 8 June 2005 and Matters Arising

The adoption of the minutes were proposed by Bob Bushell, the accuracy of the minutes having been confirmed by Executive meeting.

### 5. County Annual Report

The adoption of the annual report, was proposed by Hallam Carter-Pegg and seconded by Steve Miles.

### 6. Financial Report & Audited Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2005

The Treasurer reported a printing error on page 15 which will be altered on the copy sent to the Charities Commission. Income was down this year, there was a lower grant for the Development Officer. There are still good funds although some are restricted. The balance presentation has changed due to the Charity Commissioners requirements from next year. There are plenty of assets.

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Bob Prescott and seconded by Chris Feltham and there was a show of hands in favour.

### ELECTION AND NOMINATIONS

#### 7. County Commissioner's Nominations for County Chairman

County Commissioner Roger Hurrion proposed that Tony Edwards be elected County Chairman for another year and Tony accepted.

#### 8. Election of County Treasurer and County Secretary

Peter Runacres wishes to step down as County Treasurer but will continue until a successor is found. Angela has agreed to continue as Secretary.

The nominations were proposed by Jean East.

## 9. County Commissioner's Nominations for Executive Committee

Hallam Carter-Pegg.....Croydon District  
Cliff Condon.....Wimbledon/Wandle District  
Norman James.....Yr Hen Neuadd  
.....Sub Committee  
Alison Eggitt.....Royal Kingston District  
Derek Smith.....Sutton District

## 10. Election of members of Scout Council to Executive Committee

Terry Mitchell.....Chair Gang Show  
Alan Maloney.....Wimbledon and Wandle District  
District Chair.....To be appointed  
Explorer Representative.....To be appointed  
Simon Keen.....Network

## 11. Election of 2 members to Council of Scout Association

*Term of office 3 years*

Nigel Steward to continue [3<sup>rd</sup> year]

Bob Bushell [1<sup>st</sup> year]

## 12. Election of Independent Examiner

The County Chairman proposed Wandle House Associates, Chartered Accountants, be appointed as Independent Examiners to audit the annual accounts. This was proposed by Roger Jones and seconded by Vicky Tullett.

## 13. Appointment of Vice Presidents

Margaret Pooley accepted the appointment of Vice President and was congratulated by all.

## 14. County Commissioner's Report / Presentations

- Margaret Pooley was thanked for her 25 years service with County and was presented with a key ring (as she was always losing hers), a gift and some flowers.
- Robin Corti was presented with the Bar to the Silver Acorn

- Chris Feltham was presented with a gift after stepping down from the Executive Committee.

## Warrants were presented to;

Derek Smith.....ACC Special Needs  
Janet Drinkall.....ACC General Duties  
Martin Whiting.....ACC General Duties  
Jane Hampton.....ACC Beavers  
Caroline Dyer.....ACC Cubs

Roger then did a quiz for which he gave prizes.

State of the County in the second year of re-organisation is very strong. Disappointed in the small drop in numbers and DC's need to look locally at the size of groups, where they are with a view to amalgamation or closures with sensitivity.

Co-education – the deadline is coming and must be addressed.

Scouting in the County is tremendous and Roger gave thanks to everyone.

Roger also thanked the Executive, Tony and his support team

Roger finished by saying we should make next year the best ever and continue to do so beyond.

## 15. Deputy Mayor's Address

The Deputy Mayor Celia Hodges welcomed everyone. She said she was a reluctant Brownie but her son was a Cub and her daughter a Brownie. She hoped for a successful Centenary Year in 2007.

## 16. Peter Barnes, Chief Commissioner

Peter said he was enthusiastic over Scouting in the County and told everyone to pace themselves towards next year. We must keep the standard beyond 2007. He thanked the Executive for all their work.

## **17. Keynote Speaker – Derek Humphreys Director of UK Events & Activities 2007 Scouting Centenary.**

Dek said he was looking to the future – towards 2012 with the Association growing with more adults, particularly more young adults involved. He wants to focus on adventure. 2007 is an opportunity to celebrate and get recognition, we should focus on growth.

Dek showed us the events during 2007 and wants to get everyone involved. Only 1 in 50 are going to the Jamboree so the other 49 need involvement.

1<sup>st</sup> August Scouting Sunrise is very important and we should make sure everyone joins in. Scouts around the world (25 million) will be taking part. It will be a time to Reflect, Renew and Respond.

Join in the Centenary Programme where there will be lots of resources going to each section leader.

Attend the May Centenary Camp – everyone on the same weekend (26<sup>th</sup> May) where the theme is past present and future. There are Centenary Badges and Scarves, home hospitality – particularly in GLSW

Dek asked if GLSW is ready and looking forward to the 2012 Better Scouting for Young People.

## **18. Close of Meeting**

Tony thanked Dek for his challenging talk.

Thanks to Richmond on Thames District for hosting the events and the excellent refreshments

Date of next AGM Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2007 Croydon District. Noted later in the year to accommodate the centenary celebrations

Illustrated talks given by:

- 1] Merton Park Explorers Scouts on their exciting Kenya 2005 Water Project, Presentation made to Tony Edwards to commemorate the project and for his encouragement.
- 2] Wimbledon [Edge Hill] Explorers & W/W Network highlighted the challenge of their community project in Nepal August 2006. Report back at next year's AGM.
- 3] Richmond on Thames District Explorers/Network gave a preview of their Sunrise Malawi expedition 2007. Report back at next year's AGM

## Chairman's Report

What a year this has been and it's not over yet! I think we were all slightly worried that this, our Centenary year, would not live up to expectations but I feel that it has far exceeded mine.

Nothing has stood still and I'm sure that you will be encouraged when you read the individual reports to see just how much is being done to give our young people the Scouting experiences they deserve.

So much revolves around communication and I was delighted when Graham Macaulay offered to take over as Editor of Focus. He has put his personal stamp on our bi-monthly publication, building on the excellent foundation laid down by Chris Feltham. Chris continues to work for GLSW in the wings and I am grateful to him for co-ordinating the production of this Annual Report.

Another invaluable aid for communication is our County Directory and I am indebted to Nigel Steward for his tireless efforts to make sure that it is kept up to date at all times.

Our five Districts are all flourishing and this year's District Centenary Camps have shown just how innovative their respective organising teams have been. I have been lucky enough to visit them all and it is impossible to guess just how many hours have been put in on planning them to the last detail. No two camps were alike yet all worked with a common aim - to give their members a feast of memories to carry them into the next century of Scouting. I think top honours must go to Richmond for obviously having influence in high places when it comes to weather forecasting. Croydon, Kingston and Sutton share the top accolade of showing how to enjoy oneself in camp when monsoons are raging and Wimbledon and Wandle get a special award for providing the biggest marquee I have ever seen in a Scout Camp!

I have been delighted at the high profile of publicity in the press and on television for the Sunrise Ceremonies and the Jamboree. I was fortunate enough to go to Hylands Park last week and found the atmosphere electrifying. Traditional reserve was put on hold once you entered the gate and young people just came up and spoke to you without waiting for formal introductions. When I think that Scouts from all the trouble spots in the world were co-existing in harmony at the Jamboree it made me despair over the conflict in their home countries that the adults seem hell bent on perpetuating.

This is the last County report I shall be writing as I complete my ten-year stint as Roger Hurrion's Chairman at the AGM. I have thoroughly enjoyed the role but it has in no way been a one-man band. To Hallam Carter-Pegg, Cliff Condon, Norman James and Terry Mitchell who have chaired the Sub-committees I would offer my sincere thanks for all the work that they do behind the scenes. Peter Runacres has served the County well as Treasurer and I don't know what I would have done without Angela Sailing, our Secretary, whose unfailing support and good humour has seen me through many a tricky situation! To all of you who have served on the Executive during my time I would say a huge 'thank you'. We have witnessed many changes but if I had to choose a highlight it would be the way each District has embraced the concept of 'Development' and is actively putting into practice the ideas in the 'Thinking Differently' strategy. My personal thanks go to Jo Launchbury, our Development Officer, Ian Newbery, Project Manager and Nigel Steward who has managed the document.

What can I say about Roger Hurrion? I have found our partnership to be inspirational. His ready humour and ability to communicate with young people is legend. He is a great team leader and when called upon to speak at a moment's notice always manages to find the right words for the occasion. Without the total commitment from him and his team the County would not be in the strong position it is today. At this point I would pay tribute to Lin, Roger's wife. Her support and understanding has been paramount and the County is indebted to her.

The cynics will tell you that all life is a 'soap opera' and perhaps they are right. Over the past decade we have seen highs and lows, successes and failures, humour and sadness, changes of direction and many awards and accolades. Characters have come and gone and I have been privileged to be part of a dedicated team that has been at the helm of GLSW.

As we enter the second century of Scouting the next episode will be in the capable hands of Ian Newbery. The future looks promising and I wish him all the very best.

They say that 'The opera's never over till the fat lady sings' - I think I can hear her warming up in the background!

**Tony Edwards**

## County Commissioner's Report

Well I think we all knew that it was going to be a rather busy and exceptional year and it hasn't been disappointing so far.

Throughout the County the response to the build up and the participation in the Centenary year has been superb and activities and events are still going on. Its not finished yet!

There have been many positive things occurring within the County during the last year. Our significant rise in membership being extremely pleasing. We had an increase of 350 members right across the board, with all Districts showing an improvement. Our percentage increase was 3.8%, that was about 2% higher than the national average, but for our youth membership figures it was a 5.8% increase. Well done to everyone concerned. The next challenge comes in retaining those figures and again maintaining an increase again next year. It can be done!

The 'out' in Scouting also remains alive and well in GLSW as the Centenary Camps bear testament to. Going around visiting the various sites and seeing all our younger membership enjoying the numerous activities (and the adults weren't having a bad time either) demonstrated what is really important about Scouting and what it gives to young people. The organisation was terrific. Thank you to all whose efforts and organisation enabled the camps to be such a success.

There was of course so much more going on as well at Group and District level and the enthusiasm for wearing Centenary scarves never waned.

As a County our support for the Jamboree was also magnificent. Not only did we send two and a half units to Hylands Park but also contributed a very large contingent of IST members. Not to mention the provision of Ho-Ho experience throughout the County for contingents and individuals, some at a very last minute. Again thanks are due to all those who made it happen, especially our Jamboree unit Leaders who gave the young people in their care the chance to experience the opportunity of a lifetime.

GLSW is very fortunate in having a good County Support Team and I urge you to read their sectional reports in this County report. During the year there were a few changes to the team. Mark Patrick changed his job and had to relinquish his role as ACC Scouts. We were fortunate that Nigel Waine from Richmond was able to take on the role. Pat Askey our CTM stepped down from this position last December, having felt that she had given quite a lot to training and needed something a fresh. Pat took on the role of ACC Beavers, the position having been previously vacated by Jane Hampton, due to family commitments. Pat had worked hard at bringing on board the new training scheme for leaders within the County and due to her original groundwork we can now be suitably placed to take things further in the delivery of training. Thank you Pat.

Last year in my report I said that I felt GLSW was in a very strong position in terms of its organisation, administration and the support it can give. I believe that still to be the case with improvements going on all the time. The five Districts are currently doing well, some having the advantage of being amalgamated longer than others. Their position of support that they can give to their groups remains strong. The Development Project has been well established now for quite some time and we are fortunate that Jo Launchbury keeps coming up with ideas to keep development to the forefront of our minds. The future looks healthy providing we keep on the right track of developing our leaders and young members and providing them with an interesting programme.

This report will be the last that I shall write as your County Commissioner. Having served a full term of appointment of ten years it is time to step down and a new person with fresh ideas, to take the County further forward, needs to be in place. A very able successor has been found in Ian Newbery. Ian is no stranger to GLSW and has been a member of the County team throughout my appointment. I wish him every success in his dealings as a County Commissioner and hope he enjoys it every bit as much as I have done.

It has been a very enjoyable time and experience. I have met many interesting and dedicated people who give so much time to Scouting and have enriched my life in turn. It has been a pleasure to meet so many of the young membership of our County and to share with you all so many Scouting events and occasions. Thank you for inviting me and allowing me to participate.

In conclusion to this report it would be wrong of me not to thank a number of people individually and collectively. Running a County such as GLSW takes teamwork and I could not have done it on my own. Tony, our chairman, over the years has been a very supportive partner and working together, I could not have wished for more. The same can be said of Nigel Steward my Deputy CC, whose advice and wit have helped to keep things in perspective and who has been prepared to take on many different duties. Thank to you both. Also to Peter Runacres and Angela Sailing our Treasurer and Secretary respectively, who have kept the finances and administration running so well, often in the background without being noticed. Thanks also to all the past and present members of the County Support Team, DCs and County Executive, who have helped to support me in my post as CC. I would also like to thank my family for the support that they have given me over the last ten years. We all know that Scouting is more than one night a week, and I am grateful that my wife Lin, and my two sons Andy and Chris have allowed me to indulge in my hobby for such a long time with so much patience.

Finally, to all members of GLSW, good luck with your Scouting in the future, and thank you for the memories.

Best wishes,

**Roger Hurrion**

## Cub Scout Section Report

Cub Scouts in all 5 districts have had an active year celebrating 90 years of Cub Scouting and have participated in the full range of programme zone activities. Each district has highly motivated ADC's and district Leaders who support and encourage their Scouters to participate in both district and county events. I would like to thank them and all the busy and hardworking leaders in their packs for giving the children such exciting opportunities.

The County Cub Section is up steadily increasing year on year, which is positive. However we must still focus on increasing this whilst also providing support to the development of existing leaders and recruitment of new leaders.

Thinking differently about GLSW in the Cub section is well underway: -

- A County Beaver and Cub Funday took place in July 2006 at Walton Firs, which was a wonderful chance for Cubs and Beavers to enjoy Scouting together. It was a lot of fun and a huge success.
- The balanced programme continues to be an agenda item at both district and county level meetings.
- ADC's have compiled details of how many packs participate in Nights Away opportunities and virtually all packs are offering an experience
- Leaders have asked for a skills day and the plans are now in place to provide one in March 2008.
- In February 2007 a very well attended and successful Chief scouts Silver Award evening gave Cubs a chance to celebrate their achievement and try out some Scout activities.

I have enjoyed the opportunities to visit the districts and judge two arts and craft competitions. The standards of entries were really high and the Cubs had obviously worked hard to prepare. Well done!

The year ahead is full of adventure and challenge as we enter our next 100 years. I wish everyone in Cub Scouting a very Happy Centenary and I look forward to joining you as we celebrate!

**Caroline Dyer**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Cub Scouts)*

## Scout Section Report

The year just passed has been a year of planning and anticipation for all the sections with the build up to all the events of 2007 and the execution of those plans to maximum effect. We have had a unique opportunity to demonstrate to those outside scouting how a movement started 100 years ago still has so much to offer young people by way of opportunities to experience new activities, build character, and broaden their horizons.

The scout section has played an active part in the Centenary celebrations so far supporting the Join in Centenary events and organising Centenary camps or events over what proved to be a very wet weekend in May!!

During the year the County competitions such as cooking, orienteering, and cyclo cross ran as usual with all those taking part thoroughly enjoying the events. And particular thanks must go to those leaders who in true scout spirit, managed to ensure that the County night hike took place even though they had only a week to organise it!!

Our thanks must also be given to Mark Patrick for all his time and commitment over the past 2 years as ACC (Scouts). Mark handed over the reins of ACC (Scouts) during the year as his career commitments meant that he was not able to commit the time that the role required. I wish Mark well for the future and hope that he will still maintain some involvement based on what little spare time his work affords him.

This year's Census results are very encouraging for the County as scout section membership grew from 1,887 in 2006 to 2,048 – an increase of 8.5% - well done to all We need to ensure this momentum and growth continues into 2008.

The coming 12 months remain busy, certainly with the second half of 2007 still to come with summer camps, sunrise celebrations and the world jamboree.

The challenge facing the Scout section is to build on the publicity generated by the 2007 activities and look to generate similar levels of activity and interest throughout and beyond 2008 – to demonstrate what we have to offer to young people as an organisation in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

I am particularly keen to encourage scout troops to get outdoors more by setting themselves the challenge of maybe doing at least one extra camp next year, even if only one night! With the celebration of that first camp at Brownsea Island we must continue to set ourselves apart from other youth organisations by giving our members as much outdoor and camping activity as our time allows.

As part of this effort to “get out more” we will be introducing a new county award within the scout section that recognises not only the time spent away but focuses on the variety and diversity of those experiences in scouting – watch this space!! It is my intention to ensure that some of these opportunities are provided by the County team for those leaders whose commitments don’t afford them the time to run extra camps.

All that remains for me to do is to thank all of the young people and leaders involved within the scout section for all their time, energy and commitment. All that effort makes for a vibrant County and one which gives great optimism for the success of scouting in GLSW over the next 100 years!!

**Nigel Waine**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Scouts)*

## **Explorer Scout Section Report**

We have come a long way with Explorer Scouting since its inception 5 years ago. Many of the initial fears have been unfounded and the section nationally has reversed the declining trend in numbers that the old Venture Scout section was experiencing. In GLSW we have seen a steady growth in not only numbers but also quality of programming. We have identified areas of our County where the provision of Explorer Scouting is thin or non-existent and we have opened new Units to meet the need. We are tackling some of the more difficult issues that are associated with the section and are reaping the rewards of being progressive in our thinking and planning.

The result of which is that we have had our most successful year to date. Not only have we increased our membership, but a record number of young people have gained Scoutings’ highest youth awards.

Every District recorded growth this year, with highlights being Croydon’s 47% increase and Richmond upon Thames growing for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in succession. Overall we increased by 102 (19%) to 641 members.

Additionally the section achieved 32 Queens Scout awards (mostly from Wimbledon & Wandle District) and 21 Explorer Belts following the County expeditions to Lithuania & Seychelles.

As adults in the section we have continued to focus on the infrastructure and support of the section in Districts. Some are working towards better Explorer Scouting by tackling the issues of common subscriptions for all Explorer Scouts or at setting up sub-committees of the District Executive to specifically support the section. Other Districts have opened new units after careful consultation with Groups

offering to host Explorer Scouting and all are looking at existing partnership agreements.

The key achievements over the last 12 months include:-

- Running a County Explorer Belt Expedition to Lithuania
- Reducing the “leakage” of young people when moving on from the Scout section
- Delivered two Training sessions on the balanced programme (Module 12) specifically for Explorer Scout Leaders
- Initiating a County Forum for adults delivering the Young leader programme
- Analysing the census return to identify in each District which Troops have 13 & 14 year olds and how many, to enable clearer targeting for linking
- Maintaining an up to date County Explorer Scout Leader E mail & address list
- Taking two DESCs to the National conference for ACC/AAC Explorer Scouts
- All Districts now have provision for delivering training to Young Leader Explorer Scouts

We are making good progress, however the next set of challenges that we must face include:-

- Encouraging District Explorer Scout Commissioners to complete a District “health check” and produce a development plan
- Ensuring that our details of Young Leaders working with sections are up to date
- Assisting Districts in appointing an effective District Explorer Scout Commissioner and District Explorer Scout Administrator
- Continue the work of ensuring that the way District Executive committees support Explorer Scouting is appropriate and effective
- Developing links with external bodies to provide better opportunities for the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award scheme
- Providing further support to the sections programme with the provision of additional Countywide activity opportunities
- Ensuring that the programme, post the 2007 celebrations, will retain the present membership and engage new members.

The challenge for us post the 2007 celebrations, is to keep the momentum going. 90 young people from this County

will be going to the World Jamboree, interest from which is expected to generate an increase in membership. However, if we are not vigilant we could soon see a decline in numbers (which is what happened to Dutch Scouting post the 1995 Jamboree there), if we don't concentrate on delivering first class programmes consistently that match or exceed the excitement that the Centenary celebrations have generated.

Finally, it goes without saying that Explorer Scouting does not happen on its own in GLSW. There are countless hours spent in planning, preparing and executing the programme that our young people enjoy.

Who does this? the countless number of adults who deliver Explorer Scouting locally. My thanks go to you all for keeping this a vibrant and exciting section.

**Ian Newbery**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Explorer Scouts)*

## **Scout Network Report**

The past year has been one of consolidation rather than spectacular growth although we posted an increase in Network-only members for the fourth consecutive year. With such a high proportion either at or heading to university we must redouble our efforts to recruit from Explorer Units and also those 18-25's joining the Movement as Leaders in other sections.

The Scout Network Review was duly rolled out nationally at the end of 2006, and the less contentious aspects have been well received. A 'special' County Scout Network Conference in January endorsed measures already taken and proposed certain others while retaining the broad thrust of the existing framework of Local and Specialist Networks.

As a result Scout Network Leaders have been identified for three of the five Local Networks in Kingston, Richmond and Sutton, and I am hopeful that further appointments will be made by the end of the year. While 'Networkers', as they are commonly known, are rather transient people it has been agreed to establish a home base in each locality which is identifiable to Explorer Scouts in particular. This and more frequent interaction between the sections should ease the transition and 'moving on' process.

In GLSW we can take great satisfaction in the number of Queen's Scout Awards gained over the past twelve months with all parts of the County represented. There are several more awards in the immediate pipeline, and these should be authorised in time for the recipients to attend the County 'Muster' in Wimbledon on September 30.

Increasingly, Queen's Scout Awards are being achieved in conjunction with the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award, and we will continue to encourage this. As in previous years we have provided opportunities to complete the expedition section of these awards in wild country using Duke of Edinburgh's Award panel assessors to whom we are most grateful. Our State Duties Reserve set-up is well organised and the envy of the other London Counties, thanks largely to the efficiency of Hannah Gordon who combines the role of Registrar with being a Group Scout Leader.

Our programmes have been a bit like the 'curate's egg' – good in parts. While some activities such as the annual 'pilgrimage' to Poole Harbour and Brownsea Island, and the Gilwell Reunion have been well supported, others have not, although we are always reluctant to cancel events. Local Scout Network programmes need attention, but it is great to see Networks sharing activities and as a consequence friendships developing right across the County. We are now in the middle of the Centenary, and more than 30 Network members will soon be heading for Hylands Park to be part of the IST at the World Jamboree. After the summer we have a very busy last quarter culminating in the GLSW Scout Network New Year's Eve 'Bash' at Walton Firs. Tickets are now available.

Lots of work goes on behind the scenes in enabling the section to run smoothly, and our Administrator, Andrew Florence, works unstintingly on record keeping, database management, and collecting subscriptions. As an experiment we are requesting payment of 2008 subscriptions in September of this year. The County Scout Network Committee, chaired by Christine Budhan, continues to meet bi-monthly, and has given good direction as well as introducing initiatives such as the DVD and Network website. My thanks to them all.

We are building momentum during 2007, and must ensure this continues in 2008 and beyond. There are several major expeditions on the horizon – Nepal in 2008, an Explorer Belt in Italy in 2009, and maybe Belarus again in 2010. I am confident we will attract increasing numbers of young adults seeking challenge and fulfilment in a way that only Scouting can provide.

**Chris Dean**

*County Scout Network Commissioner*

## Training

The year has been very positive with respect to Adult Training. Between June 2006 and June 2007 some 25 modules were delivered through the County programme with numerous others being delivered within Districts by Local Training Managers (LTMs). The County programme delivered training modules to some 390 leaders.

During the past year the modules have been presented in evening sessions as well as at the weekends and we continue to look for the most effective ways of providing the training. The Bow Lane Scout Centre continues to be the main venue for presenting the modules.

As the modular process becomes embedded within our adult support system we are seeing more leaders completing the appropriate modules and this in turn is leading to more Wood Badges being awarded. Congratulations to all those who were awarded with the Wood Badge during the year, do not forget the opportunities of "on going learning" and the possibility of sharing your knowledge with new leaders if you are able to act as a Training Advisor.

In addition to the training modules a range of further support is also provided including remote camping, mountaineering and first aid training.

The British Red Cross courses being run by the County continue to prove very successful. Every course was fully booked well before time although not one has yet had everyone turn up on the day. In the period from June 2006 – June 2007 eighty nine people in the County have gained their Basic First Aid Certificate on these courses. All comments received show they are appreciated and enjoyed. We hope to start laying on refresher courses shortly, to take place during one evening, for those with a valid recognised qualification.

At the beginning of 2007 Pat Askey changed roles, having led the County through the transition from one scheme to the current modular format Pat moved across to the Beaver Section. We thank Pat for her work in managing and presenting the Adult Training programme within the County. Thanks are also due to the Local Training Managers and to those who have presented various components of the modules. And of course thanks to all the leaders who volunteered a little more of their time with the aim of becoming better equipped to offer exciting, challenging and fun programmes to our young members.

### **Martin Whiting**

*County Training Manager*

## Special Needs

I took over from Margaret Pooley early in 2006 as ACC Special Needs only to promptly land in St George's Hospital Tooting with blocked arteries. Not being content with one visit to St George's in the year, I ended up going into St George's for a second time. So you can see I did not get off to a great start in my new roll as ACC. When Roger Hurrion County Commissioner and Nigel Steward Deputy County Commissioner came bearing gifts of a bunch of grapes, I thought at the time they were trying to soften me up to say they didn't want me anymore. But I was wrong. It seemed okay because they wolfed down the whole bunch.

Also, during this time I was trying to start a Beaver Scout Colony with 15<sup>th</sup> Wallington Scout Group, but it had to be put on hold until September. It has been a great success and I was extremely lucky to get two exceptional Leaders to run the Colony. One of the many highlights of the year was when Pauline Pattison ADC Beaver Scouts from Sutton District presented them with their new Beaver Scout Flag. I suspect some of you will not put too much thought to this, but if you were there to see what these young people had achieved, how Scouting had challenged them you would have been as amazed as I was.

### **Centenary Camp 2007**

Most of 15<sup>th</sup> Wallington Special Needs Group camped during the May weekend. I suspect most of you that camped that weekend would have been soaked through like we were, and you would think that the Leaders would be put off. During one deluge of rain, I observed one of the Leaders tube feeding one of the Scouts - did they moan about the weather? I think not. The dedication of the Leaders during this wet weekend and of the Scouts themselves was truly commendable. They all deserved their camp badge.

I am now getting ready to attend the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Agoonoree Scout Camp at Treloar's School Alton, Hants. We last visited this site in 1995 that was the year of the wasp invasion due to the very hot weather.

On behalf of our County, I should like to thank all those many Leaders and Helpers who year in, year out, give up a week of their holiday to give time to the Special Needs Scouts from the London Areas at this camp.

I read recently some wonderful words said by the late Diana Princess of Wales "*Carry out a random act of kindness with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you.*"

To all the Leaders and Helpers of GLSW I would like to say how extremely grateful we are for all the care you give to these Special Needs Youngsters in their Scouting life.

**Derek Smith**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Special Needs)*

## Activities report

The last year has been very good from an activities perspective. On the climbing and hill walking front the team under Ron Wellbrook has been busy and I list them below:

### **GLSW Hillwalking/Climbing Activities 2006-07**

#### *Remote Camp Course*

Weekend 6th to 8th October 2006

Situated in the Brecon Beacons National Park, a total of 12 course members (leaders) and a group of explorer scouts enjoyed good weather for a backpacking and lightweight camping skills weekend.

#### *Explorer Scouts, Mountain Weekend*

Weekend 27th to 29th October 2006

Staying in the County Base in Bethesda North Wales, a total of 24 explorer scouts, leaders and instructors experienced challenging conditions in the Snowdonia mountains. Mountain walking on the Saturday and climbing/abseiling on the Sunday morning.

#### *County Orienteering Competition*

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2006

Held this year on Happy Valley/Farthing Downs, a total of 52 teams of two completed the course. This event is always well attended with teams strongly competing for the fastest time. A hot dog and drink is well earned and supplied after the course is completed.

#### *Mountain Skills Weekends*

North Wales

Weekend 10th to 12th February 2007

Weekend 12th to 14th May 2007

These courses are run from the GLSW County Base (Yr Hen Neuadd) in Bethesda on the edge of Snowdonia National Park, North Wales. Participants are expected to have a general interest in mountaineering and ideally would have been involved in expeditions into the hills.

The programme structure is flexible and will depend upon the skills training required by the participants themselves. All aspects of personal mountain skills are covered, as well as additional skills needed for group leaders. Assessments

are carried out on these weekends for the mountain authorisation/permit schemes.

During 2007 a total of 21 leaders attended the two courses.

#### *Climbing Course on Gritstone*

Weekend 13th to 15th July 2007

Held in the Peak District National Park, climbing on the Birchen Edge and lightweight camping in the Eric Bynes campsite close by. Unlike the large numbers for 2006, attendance was confined to a small but enthusiastic group of young leaders. All the main climbing skills were covered over the weekend, despite the erratic weather.

#### *Indoor Climbing Sessions 2006/07*

These are run for groups that request them throughout the year.

The team have been discussing how to assist in the expedition side of the D of E award system in the future and Chris Dean has offered to run a workshop on the scheme later on.

The Parascending Club have been particularly busy and the Flying resumed after a break.

Activities cover a host of things, not all adventurous, and to this end all our bands had a particularly successful year as did the cast of the County Gang Show and I certainly was impressed by what I saw and this included the one Group Show that I visited at 2<sup>nd</sup> Whitton.

The Shooting Team was once again putting in creditable performances and all credit to Jean and her team of instructors for what they do locally and at a national level.

At a more local level Richmond upon Thames District are having great success with their 14<sup>th</sup> Richmond boating base under Vic Griffiths, having taken on board a wonderful number of "Scouts" from all over the County and beyond and given them evenings of great fun on the water. Our Sea Scout Groups have been successful in retaining their RN recognition as have our Air Scout Groups with their RAF recognition. The water side were also active at the Jamboree giving instruction and even craft and equipment to ensure our visitors had fun.

One of our successes has been to reinstate registration of boats in the County and also the inspections and suggestions that we have made to HQ on tying in the RN recognition scheme to the inspection and registration requirements looks like being taken on board.

So what of the future? Well there are changes imminent on the Nights Away permit system and very soon, now that

the Centenary celebrations are all but over, we will be changing over to the new Activity Permit System, having delayed its start as it was felt that too much was going on during the centenary year. We did have a presentation of the system last year but will now be likely to have a further workshop with the assessors and advisors in October to bring them up to speed.

Scuba diving could soon be on the menu too if discussions soon to take place are successful.

### **Robin Corti**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Activities)*

## **County Bands**

Over the last 20 years I have seen bands come and go all over the country, but we as a County are very lucky to have five very good bands, two of these Kingston & Malden and 1<sup>st</sup> Hook are A Class bands, the others, 2<sup>nd</sup> Hook; 1<sup>st</sup> Wallington; and Wimbledon and Wandle are B & C Class. So banding in the county is thriving. We are the only county in the whole of England to have this many bands, most only have one.

This year, Kingston & Malden and a mixed band of 2<sup>nd</sup> Hook, 1<sup>st</sup> Wallington and Wimbledon and Wandle took part in the closing ceremony at the World Jamboree, from this we have been asked to form a massed band for the Lord Mayors Show. Another great honour.

We seem to have most of the bands on one side of the county, so my next objective is to see if we could form a band in the Croydon area. If any GSL would like to or even think that they may like to form a group band, or even a district based band please get in touch.

### **David Gould**

*County Band Adviser*

## **Gang Show Management Committee**

We always promise the cast, especially the young ones, that we would give them the best week of their lives... and we didn't disappoint them again this year.

We, again, put on a very varied show, full of fun and laughter, song and dance... and did it very professionally.

I can do little more than include the review that appeared in 'The Guide' (Croydon Advertiser Group of Newspapers) written by Peter Steptoe who gave us a 4 Star rating.

*Gang show: Souwest '06*

*'The Guide' 3rd Nov 2006*

*"I suppose I had thought that gang shows were things of the past, but here I discovered they still are brimming over with verve and vitality. Under producer Andrew Hayward, this one ran to time, no item was too long and the costumes were superb.*

*I loved the Can-Can, and if I hadn't been banned by age I would have felt like joining in. The chorus-singing was excellent and the result of many rehearsal hours, so plaudits for music director Jason Edge.*

*The singing and costumes in the item Black and White moved me greatly and I was amused by the Rules of the Pool and the lovely lady in the itty-bitsy bikini.*

*A Tale of Two Cities was cleverly done and the scenery effectively indicated London and Paris. To nit-pick I would say that the dialogue should have been sharper with better groupings for the cast. Some sound amplification would also help for young voices which could not always be heard.*

*But on the whole, it was a great evening."*

*Peter Steptoe*

I, as Chairman, would like to record my grateful thanks to Andrew Hayward (Producer), Jo Davey (Choreographer), Richard Golding (Business Manager) and to every member of the Gang, not just those seen on stage but all those out of sight of the public for their dedication and continued support for 'Souwest Gang Show'. We also owe a big vote of thanks to our Families for allowing us to be members of the Gang.

This year's production will take place from Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October. We will not only be celebrating 100 years of Scouting but 75 years of Gang Show and 25 years of the South West London Gang Show. We promise you a great show and look forward to seeing you there.

### **Terry Mitchell**

*Chairman, Gang Show Management Committee*

## Development Project

Once again it's been a very busy year for the County Development Project. To give you an idea of just some of the work undertaken in the last twelve months and coming up soon here is a brief list...

- An evaluation of the annual census was undertaken to assess the impact of the County Development project in the last 5 years and reported back to the County Exec, Project Steering Group, County Support Team and County Development Team.
- Primary schools in Croydon and Royal Kingston Districts leafleted with details of local Scouting
- Generic vacancy 'adverts' placed on 'Do.it.org' for leadership and executive roles across the County
- 'Challenge 24', a new GLSW adult recruitment initiative designed to engage more parents developed and launched across the County and resources made available on the county web site.
- Work to support Districts with recruitment events undertaken such as Merton Volunteer fair and St. Mary's Volunteering forum
- All secondary girls schools in GLSW running Duke of Edinburgh award contacted to raise awareness of Young Leader Explorer Scouts and service element opportunities in Scouting
- County Development Team now meeting regularly to share best practice
- Review of County website design and content currently underway.
- Fresher Fayre – booked to attend St. Mary's University College, Twickenham. (NB one of only 2 Universities in GLSW).
- Work completed with DD, DCC and core team to evaluate 'Thinking Differently', and to produce an updated version for 2007 to 2009.
- List of possible projects for a further three year team produced for discussion (to PSG, CDT, CC & CC Designate)
- 'Forum3', a third sector recruitment event in October 2007. GLSW will be working with the other counties in the London Region to organise and run a stand at this high profile charity recruitment event raising the profile of scouting and recruiting more adults in to Scouting across the London region.

- Sainsbury's Scout Community week, fact sheets, and support materials produced for Districts
- Final end of project report for DGB on completion of external funding at the end of November 2007.

As you can see, this encompasses a wide variety of development based work. And as always, the project is interested to hear from you if you need support with a development initiative or if you would simply like to share some good news or best practice with other Groups and Districts in GLSW.

I'd like to say a very big thank you to all the volunteers, especially Tony, Roger and Nigel who have worked so hard to support the Development Project in the last year, and right back to December 2001 when it all began! Thank you everybody. But the work's not finished yet. 2008 and beyond are going to be very busy for the Development Project, and in February 2008 the first County Development Conference is being held. More details of this weekend will be available soon. Watch this space!

### **Jo Launchbury**

*Assistant County Commissioner (Development)*

## Health & Safety

The H & S District coordinators have this year been working on a new Fire Risk assessment document that meets the requirements of the new Fire Regulations, that each Group will have to complete. The Fire Risk Assessment document will require a map to be drawn up by each Group of their premises showing fire exits, routes of escape, fire extinguisher points and assembly point.

This has come about due to the new Fire Regulations of October 2006. The new Fire Risk Assessment will be asked to be seen by the Fire Brigade on an Inspection visit along with First Aid Kit, First Aid Accident Book and the log of Fire Drills. The Fire Brigade will not now come out to give a review of the premises as in the past.

By the time you read this your H & S Coordinator should have completed their review of the final document. It will then be forwarded to each Group for completion. Your District Coordinator should be able to help with any problems.

### **Alan Lane**

*County Health and Safety Advisor*

## **Bow Lane Scout Centre**

This year we have concentrated our work effort on the Section room area, replacing some ceilings and strengthening others, so the area above the rooms could be put to better use. This has not been an easy task as levels varied and previous work was of a 'mixed' standard. We are also having to contend with at least three lots of electrical wiring which eventually will all need to be replaced.

The kitchen has been completely refurbished and has continued to bring forth favourable comments from both visitors and users. During the coming year, we hope to clean the ceiling.

The original heavy Bow Lane bollards have been replaced with a different pattern which drops down into its hole and is much easier to handle, unfortunately the cost of keys was somewhat high. The school has had their fence replaced and this has exposed items of rubbish in Bow Lane, so a clean up of the area is now needed.

We have used the services of two friendly contractors to relay the patio by the front doors, re-point the porch brickwork, render the toilet wall, replace four windows and install the window in the toilet loft area. The main heating boiler has also been replaced.

With the improvement of the grounds, section camping and 'Nights Away' training courses have been held at the Centre both showing the advantages of the Centre for these differing types of events.

Unfortunately, we have suffered damage to various areas and while deposits cover some of this, it is not always possible to prove who was responsible, the Management Committee has discussed the matter and some changes to booking / use are to be put into practice.

We are always looking for work parties at the Centre and would welcome help to further improve the Centre with either routine tasks or special projects - more details from me on 020 8540 5115.

For bookings contact Janet Cain 020 8330 4770.

**Cliff Condon**

*Centre Management Committee*

## **Communications**

As in previous years, the emphasis of the communications sub-committee has been on the production of FOCUS and the county website [www.glsWSCouts.org.uk](http://www.glsWSCouts.org.uk)

Almost 300 members are signed up to the GLSW email group, which is an ideal way to keep up-to-date on the latest County news and information. By signing up to the group, members are automatically emailed news and information. Membership to the group is open to anyone within the County, so encourage your leaders, network members, and explorer units to sign up! Registration is a quick procedure and, once registered, you can leave it to do its job! The sign-up box is at the bottom of the home page: simply enter your email address and you are done. Why not sign up and give it a go?

The County website is an informative and useful resource for what is going on in the County. Significant time has been spent on the Bethesda section of the website, particularly the inclusion of a Bethesda Blog. This is a great way to find out what is going on in-and-around the county's base in North Wales. My thanks go to Chris Sowden and Bob Lewis for their continued support of the site. Also my thanks go to Helen Jeffrey, for her commitment and management of the GLSW e-group.

We are always open to suggestions (and criticism!). If you do feel you have a recommendation to improve the website, or FOCUS, we will always consider them, so do not hesitate to email me on [graham.macaulay@glswscouts.org.uk](mailto:graham.macaulay@glswscouts.org.uk).

Once again, I'd like to thank Tramet Printing, for the printing and initial distribution to each of the Districts.

**Graham Macaulay**

*Chairman Communications Sub-committee*

# County Scout Council of Greater London South West

## Financial Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2006

Charity Number 303884

### Executive Committee that served during the Period

Chairman.....A. G. Edwards MBE  
Commissioner.....Roger Hurriion  
Secretary.....A. Sailing  
Treasurer.....P. Runacres  
Deputy County Commissioner.....N. Steward  
County Administrator.....J. F. Taylor

Nominated Members.....H. Carter-Pegg  
C. Condon  
N. James  
C. Budhan

Elected Members.....A. Eggitt  
A. Maloney  
D. Smith  
T. Mitchell

Invited Members.....C. Dean  
J. Launchbury

Youth Representatives.....G. Macaulay  
E. Wilson

All above were appointed or re-appointed at the Annual  
General Meeting held on 7 June 2006

### Object of the Charity

The Charity is governed by the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association which is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

# Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2006

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## Executive Committees certificate

The attached accounts were approved by the Finance Committee on 2007 and the Chairman & Treasurer were authorised to sign them on the Committee's behalf.

A.G.Edwards - County Chairman

P.G.Runacres - Treasurer

## Report of the Independent Examiner to the Members of the County Scout Council of Greater London South West

We report on the accounts for the year to 31st December 2006 which are set out on pages 17 to 21

## Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The County's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; they consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993) (the 1993 Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is our responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under Section 43 (3) (a) of the 1993 Act)
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 43 (7) (b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to our attention.

## Basis of examiner's report

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 seeking explanations from you, as trustees, concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in

an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

## Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- 1) which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act and
  - b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act

have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

## Wandle House Associates - Chartered Accountants

47 Wandle Road, Croydon

## **Trustee's & Treasurer's Report**

I have pleasure in presenting the financial report for the year ended 31st December 2006 on behalf of the Trustees.

The County had a deficit this year, of £6,340

The Development Officer has now been employed for just over five years and the Trustees are pleased with the progress made to date and would like to thank the two major sponsors of this cost, the Bridge House Trust and the Scout Association.

Subscription Income increased by nearly £5,000 this year.

Investment income decreased slightly during the year.

Again, no Grants have been received from the Smith's Charity, and we do not believe that County is likely to receive any in the future. We are sorry that this source of funding is no longer available.

The various activities during the year made surpluses or deficits as reported in note 3 to the accounts.

At the end of the year the County's income reserves amounted to £75,559, the County's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient sums to enable it to meet its ongoing expenditures. The sum available to County excluding its fixed assets is considered adequate but not excessive and will be used as its working capital. County will however monitor its reserves when setting its annual subscription to ensure that they do not increase unnecessarily.

The Executive Committee continues to be mindful of its responsibilities and continues to use its best endeavours in ensuring that subscriptions are used wisely for the overall benefit of Scouting within the County and that Scouting continues to teach useful skills within an interesting and challenging environment, at an economic cost.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the Trustees.

**Peter Runacres**

*Honorary Treasurer & Trustee*

# County Scout Council of Greater London South West

## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2006

<b>Incoming Resources</b>		Note No.	31/12/2006	31/12/2005
			£	£
Subscription Income		1	34,949	28,248
Investment Income			2,180	2,714
Tax refunds			-	-
Grants received for Restricted Funds		8	18,000	12,000
Donations from individuals			185	204
Donations from other Charities	Unrestricted		1,917	400
	Restricted			1,500
Donations passed to Other Charities (Diamond Riding Centre etc)				
Income generated by Various Section Activities			69,498	50,891
Income generated by Administration			-	4,171
<b>Total Income</b>			<u>£126,729</u>	<u>£100,128</u>
<b>Resources Expended</b>				
Monies passed to Other Charities (Diamond Riding Centre etc)		2		
Monies expended from Restricted Fund		8	35,976	31,446
Resources expended by Various Section Activities		3	83,033	71,097
Resources expended on Administration		4	14,060	10,107
<b>Total Expenditure</b>			<u>£133,069</u>	<u>£112,650</u>
<b>Net Deficit for the year to 31/12/06 (2005 = Deficit)</b>			<u>(6,340)</u>	<u>(12,522)</u>
<b>Movement in Funds</b>				
	Unrestricted Funds		11,637	5,424
	Restricted Funds		<u>(17,976)</u>	<u>(17,946)</u>
Fund Balance Brought forward	Unrestricted Funds		85,111	79,687
	Restricted Funds		<u>(3,213)</u>	<u>14,733</u>
Transfer between funds	Unrestricted Funds		<u>(22,389)</u>	
	Restricted Funds		<u>22,389</u>	
	Unrestricted Funds		74,359	85,111
			1,200	<u>(3,213)</u>
<b>Fund balances carried forward to 2007</b>			<u>£75,559</u>	<u>£81,898</u>

# County Scout Council of Greater London South West

## Balance Sheet as at 31st December 2006

	notes	31/12/2006 £	31/12/2005 £
Fixed Assets at cost prices:			
Bethesda Base (2002 Value £52,000)	9	9,315	9,315
Fixtures & Fittings (County)		8,159	7,137
Less Depreciation at 25% on the Written Down Value		<u>(6,223)</u>	<u>(5,920)</u>
Equipment (County)		12,760	12,760
Less Depreciation at 25% on the Written Down Value		<u>(11,438)</u>	<u>(10,997)</u>
Total Fixed Assets		<u>12,573</u>	<u>12,295</u>
Current Assets:			
Stock of Consumable's (e.g. Gang Show scarves etc.)		2,179	2,254
Debtors & prepayments		667	2,390
Deposit at HQ (repayable on 7 days notice)		15,230	45,968
Floats and cash held by Officers		8,344	565
Balances at Banks & Building Society			
- Interest Bearing Accounts		27,928	12,274
- Current Accounts		<u>27,915</u>	<u>32,380</u>
Total current assets		<u>82,263</u>	<u>95,831</u>
Less Current Liabilities:			
Accruals & other liabilities		<u>19,277</u>	<u>26,228</u>
Total current liabilities		<u>19,277</u>	<u>26,228</u>
Net Current Assets		62,986	69,603
Total Assets		<u>£75,559</u>	<u>81,898</u>
Represented by:			
Unrestricted Funds		£74,359	£85,111
Restricted Funds	2	<u>1,200</u>	<u>(3,213)</u>
		<u>£75,559</u>	<u>£81,898</u>

# County Scout Council of Greater London South West

## Notes to the Accounts for the year to 31st December 2006

### 1) Accounting Policies

#### General

The Accounts have been prepared under the historic cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities.

#### Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at rates designed to write the assets off over their expected lives the rates used are shown on the face of the Balance Sheet

#### Joint Activities

Where this County joins with other Scout or Guide Counties to organise activities the proportion of Income applicable to this county is shown by way of a note (see Note 11) The Assets that could be realised in the event that the activity ceases is also shown in the same note.

(Paragliding Club 50%, Mountaineering Club 16.66% Aquameet 16.66%)

There was no Aquameet in 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 or 2006

#### Subscription Income

In keeping with the other Scout Counties this Scout County collects the subscriptions due from individual members, via their Group and District, for the Scout Association. These subscriptions are collected as agents for the Association and are not recorded as either income or expenditure of the County. The sum collected is paid on the 23rd April annually but is collected during March annually. For information only, the sum paid to the Association on 23rd April 2007 was just over £185,000.

Three months income covering the period 1st January to 31st March is shown annually as a creditor as the subscription income covers the year to 31st March annually.

### 2) Fund Balances.

The Fund Balances as reported are divided between Restricted and Unrestricted Funds within the meaning of the Charities Act 1993 The Unrestricted funds are available for any approved County Scout Association activity. The Restricted Funds are only available to assist in the costs associated with the Development Officer of the County.

The details of the Restricted Funds are shown below:

	Income	Expenses	Balance	2005
Balance from previous year			(4,713)	14,733
Grants received	18000			12,000
Salary including NHI		(25,612)		(23,453)
Expenses & Training		(4,329)		(4,775)
Consultancy		(2,329)		(2,657)
Equipment		136		(136)
Payroll expenses		(325)		(425)
Promotional & Advertising		(3,217)		
This year's totals	18000	(35,676)	(17,676)	(19,446)
Balance to next year			<u>(22,389)</u>	<u>(4,713)</u>

#### Grants received were:

Scout Association	8000
Districts	10000

#### Gang Show restricted fund

Balance from previous year		1500	
Expended this year		<u>(300)</u>	
This year's totals		(300)	
Balance to next year		<u>1,200</u>	1,500

#### Transfer from General fund

22,389

#### Total Restricted Fund

1,200 (3,213)

Any shortfall on Restricted Funds has to be refunded from General Funds.

Gang Show have a new Restricted fund as a result of a donation from another Charity which can only be used against future Gang Show Performances.

# County Scout Council of Greater London South West

## Notes to the Accounts for the year to 31st December 2006 (continued)

<b>3) Section Activities Income &amp; Expenditure</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>31/12/2005</b>
Beavers			0	227
Cub Scouts	8,541	(7,698)	843	(180)
Scouts	2,615	(7,535)	(4,920)	(6,113)
Explorers	9,505	(7,928)	1,577	(808)
Activities	425	(386)	39	(132)
Mountaineering & Hill walking (this County)	58	(819)	(761)	(701)
Night Hike	1,499	(1,293)	206	924
International		(675)	(675)	(955)
Special Needs	30	(30)	0	(164)
Leader Training	8,299	(11,227)	(2,928)	(4,031)
Air Rifle		(83)	(83)	(109)
Scout network	4,322	(4,831)	(509)	(720)
Duke of Edinburgh Award			0	(206)
Equipment Depreciation		(745)	(745)	(994)
Bethesda Base	3,911	(4,104)	(193)	(654)
Training Base	10	7,265	(6,342)	923
Jamboree	13		(3,000)	(3,000)
Gang Show		11,021	(10,385)	636
Paragliding	11		0	(3,685)
Air Activities		1,656	(1,480)	176
Aquameet	11		0	0
Mountaineering	11		0	(284)
Seychelles Project	12	10,351	(14,472)	(4,121)
		<b>69,498</b>	<b>(83,033)</b>	<b>(13,535)</b>
				<b>(20,206)</b>

<b>4) Administration Expenses</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Net</b>	<b>31/12/2005</b>
Directory		(200)	(200)	0
Newsletter & Focus on GLSW		1,321	(1,321)	(1,424)
Printing, postage, telephone etc.		(382)	(382)	(462)
Travelling expenses		(781)	(781)	(749)
Meetings conferences etc.		(322)	(322)	(351)
Insurance's - personal accident & other insurance's		3,569	(3,569)	(2,736)
London regional expenses		(300)	(300)	(300)
Grants made		(3,500)	(3,500)	(25)
County badges		(2,306)	(2,306)	845
Sundry receipts & expenses		(79)	(79)	516
Secretary's Honorarium		(600)	(600)	(600)
Independent Examiners fee		(700)	(700)	(650)
		<b>0</b>	<b>(14,060)</b>	<b>(14,060)</b>
				<b>(5,936)</b>

**5) Independent Examiner's fee** **700** **650**

**6) Secretary's Honorarium** **600** **600**

### 7) Members of the Executive

Members of the Executive reclaim expenses incurred on the county's behalf. Except for the Secretary shown above, no member of the executive is entitled to any remuneration.

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## Notes to the Accounts for the year to 31st December 2006 (continued)

### 8) Diamond Riding Centre

County has in the past reported on the total income from Districts passed on to the Diamond Riding Centre, only those monies that pass through County's records are now recorded.

### 9) Bethesda Base

The Base is shown at cost price, a new valuation was undertaken in 2002 when the base was been valued at £52,000 although it is insured at an estimated replacement cost of £170,000.

### 10) Bow Lane Scout Centre

As previously reported the expenditure on the Centre is written off as expended, this is because County is not the freeholder of 1st Lower Morden Scout Group's headquarters which is where the Bow Lane Scout Centre is situated. For information only, the total expended on the fabric of the base to 31st December 2006 was over £141,000 in addition to which numerous donations have been made of materials and services.

### 11) Paragliding & Mountaineering Clubs and Aquameet

The accounts for these clubs are produced to the 31st December and 31st March annually, respectively and as the County is jointly responsible for them with other Scout Districts and Guide Regions their accounting dates will continue as is. The results are not incorporated into these accounts but are shown here by way of this note.

		2006	2005
Paragliding	Share of Profit / (Loss) 50%	306	(49)
	Share of Assets 50%	3943	3637
Mountaineering	Share of Profit / (Loss) 16.67%	(28)	(13)
	Share of Assets 16.67%	242	270

### 12) Seychelles Project

The plans to go in 2006 where fulfilled and most of last year's surplus was spent

### 13) Jamboree

County has a policy of setting aside funds for the various Jamboree's so that every 4th year the accounts are not distorted by a large loss. County has again set aside £3,000 (total to date £12,000) this year against the next Jamboree to be held.

### 14) Accruals

The accruals are:-

Officers & Activities Expenses owing at 31/12/2006		3,442	
Independent Examiner's fee including VAT		700	
Annual general meeting estimated		350	
Jamboree accrual		3,474	
Receipts in advance &/or Expenses not paid:-			
Training	0		
Subscriptions	9,217		
Development officer	593		
Gang Show	1,501	11,311	
		<u>19,277</u>	

# Awards

## Silver Wolf

*In recognition for service  
of the most exceptional nature to Scouting*

Jean East	GLSW
Richard Hooper	Wimbledon and Wandle
Eunice Jaffe	Croydon
Norman James	GLSW
Margaret Ling	Croydon
Edward Mayhew	Wimbledon and Wandle
Mary White	Wimbledon and Wandle
Martin Whiting	GLSW
John Young	Wimbledon and Wandle

## Bar to the Silver Acorn

*In recognition of further specially distinguished  
service*

Pat Askey	GLSW
Alan Lane	Royal Kingston
Bernadette Moynihan	Croydon
Rodney Newman	Croydon
Nigel Steward	GLSW

## Silver Acorn

*In recognition of specially distinguished service*

Ian Appleford	Royal Kingston
Carole Atkinson	Royal Kingston
Lesley Bixby	Wimbledon and Wandle
Gillian Brewer	Richmond upon Thames
Janet Drinkall	GLSW
Fred Fletcher	Sutton
Stephen French	Croydon
Patrick Jacobs	Sutton
Sarah Kershaw	Richmond upon Thames
Pauline Lee	Richmond upon Thames
Neil McLauchlan	Wimbledon and Wandle
David Rixon	Croydon
Barbara McKinnon	Croydon
Lynn Newman	Royal Kingston
Russell Priestley	Croydon
Elizabeth Saunders	Royal Kingston
Richard Smith	Richmond upon Thames
Clive Tullett	Wimbledon and Wandle
Vicky Tullett	Wimbledon and Wandle
Mary Turner	Richmond upon Thames
Ian Wilkins	Wimbledon and Wandle

## Bar to the Medal of Merit

*In recognition of further outstanding service*

Julie Honey	Croydon
Geoffrey Morris	Sutton
Ronald Pennington	Sutton
Peter Runacres	GLSW
Michael Smith	Sutton
Ian Walker	Croydon

## Medal of Merit

*In recognition of outstanding service*

Nigel Binns	Sutton
Richard Broadshaw	Croydon
Nan Brodie	Croydon
Robin Burr	Royal Kingston
Leslie Button	Sutton
Richard Carrau	Croydon
Georgette Clarke	Richmond upon Thames
Iris Clatworthy	Wimbledon and Wandle
Maureen Crabb	Sutton
John Cort	Sutton
Andrew Dimon	Wimbledon and Wandle
Pamela Duxon	Richmond upon Thames
Sam Dyer	Richmond upon Thames
Tony Ellis	Croydon
Paul Fitchell	Wimbledon and Wandle
Maureen Flittan	Wimbledon and Wandle
Peter Fowler	Royal Kingston
Gina Gilbert	Croydon
John Gowhurst	Wimbledon and Wandle
Jenny Handley	Croydon
Ian Hardy	Richmond upon Thames
Philippe Hunt	Richmond upon Thames
Debbie Jeffries	Croydon
Sheila Marett	Royal Kingston
Anne Mays	Sutton
Richard Moody	Richmond upon Thames
Kevin More	Sutton
Sandra Newbery	Royal Kingston
Susan Oakes	Royal Kingston
Rita Payne	Royal Kingston
Peter Pearce	Croydon
Margaret Pennington	Sutton
Maureen Seaward	Croydon
Angela Sailing	GLSW

Carol Salter	Sutton	David Selwood	Croydon
Ian Scofield	Richmond upon Thames	Ray Shaw	Sutton
Roy Smith	Croydon	Keith Spencer	Croydon
Susan Southwood	Wimbledon and Wandle	David Sutton	Royal Kingston
Jacqueline Taylor	Royal Kingston	Kathleen Smith	Croydon
Phil Tree	Sutton	Paula Thompson	Royal Kingston
Fiona Witham	Sutton	Clare Tweedley	Wimbledon and Wandle
Robert Wright	Sutton	Sally Washington	Sutton
Iain Young	Croydon	Rosemary Watts	Sutton
		Christine Willis	Sutton
		David Willis	Croydon

## Chief Scout's Commendation

*In recognition of good service*

Lynne Baker	Croydon
Malcolm Beaney	Croydon
Penny Bloss	Croydon
Kathleen Bradshaw	Croydon
Elaine Carson	Croydon
Stephen Carter	Croydon
Valerie Chapman	Croydon
Susan Devine	Sutton
Julia Doolan	Wimbledon and Wandle
Ron Dowling	Croydon
Alison Edwards	Wimbledon and Wandle
Jason Folwer	Wimbledon and Wandle
Bill Greaves	Croydon
Una Greenwood	Croydon
Lynn Howell	Croydon
John Humber	Sutton
Helen Jeffrey	Royal Kingston
Simon Keen	Sutton
David Kivan	Croydon
Brian Lamont	Croydon
Yvonne Lamont	Croydon
Jo Launchbury	GLSW
Steven Lude	Sutton
Ken McNamara	Croydon
Jane Pringle	Royal Kingston
Leslie Parmenter	Croydon
Mia Patterson	Wimbledon and Wandle
Amanda Paskell	Croydon
Jeremy Peter	Croydon
Michael Peters	Croydon
Colin Pullen	Wimbledon and Wandle
Chris Rogers	Royal Kingston