

Group Scout Leaders Report

This past year has been a busy and good Scouting year for the group.

Most of our Leaders have attended training courses or refresher courses, to enable them to continue safe training and care for our young people in our care.

We welcomed the following Leaders, Grant and Holly to our Scout Troop which is growing slowly now, Emma, Daniel and Barry to our new beaver Colony.

I am pleased to report that the training for the young people has resulted in many high awards for them throughout the group. I am sure each section will report on their sections many achievements.

Perhaps we do not publicise enough that all our Leaders ,and Executive Committee devote many hours of unseen work ,behind the scenes most with no youth members now in the group but continue on doing a great Job.

My sincere thanks to them all for supporting me to full fill my own responsibility.

At last year's A.G.M. I reported that we had a large wanting to join list for Beavers, and also a small waiting list for Cubs, the Beaver list increased fast over the past year, to a point that we were at a situation requiring us to start up another Colony .With so many other youth activities available in the area we are pleased about this, as we must be doing something right.

For this reason along with West Sussex Scouts support we were able to start up a new Colony in March this year.

We were fortunate to re- cycle one of our past Beaver Leaders (Emma) as the new Section Leader and recruit Daniel and Barry (Parents) as Assistant Section Beaver Leaders.

Although at early stages at present I feel that the progress we have already made in such a short time will continue to make a very strong Colony for the future.

Our regular Youth Usage of our H.Q. is now four nights a week, bursting at the seams every night due to the size of our hall, with other committee meetings held on the other nights.

For this reason we are having to look for larger premises and have hopes for a new modern building in the near future.

As in my other report my sincere thanks to all of my Leaders, Executive committee, and Supporters for all they do.

Ray Nye

Group Scout Leader