**82nd Craigalmond (Cramond) Scout Group**

**Annual Review and AGM**

**1st December 2021 730pm**

Minutes: Tanya Heron Ramsay (Secretary)

Apologies: no apologies

1: Chair’s welcome and apologies for absence

2: Section Annual Review video presentation

3: Minutes of the last AGM held November 2020

Nominated and accepted

No minutes arising

All on website

4: Chair’s Report

The 82nd have had another great year, we are extremely fortunate to be in a very healthy position, both financially and with the number of committed leaders and young leaders that we have. The group has gone from strength to strength with the number of youngsters increasing year on year and we are lucky that so many parents are happy to get involved with weekly meetings and fundraising.

All of our sections are now back in the hall and are currently able to provide face to face scouting, although numbers may need to be limited at times all the sections are doing their best to offer as full a programme as possible for all the youngsters including camps.

The Exec has been rather quiet this last year, many of the normal fundraising events needed to be put on hold due to COVID, however we did help out with the PLANT SALE in May by delivering all the orders on the Sunday morning, there are a lot of willing volunteers driving all around the area and it all went very smoothly. I would like to take this opportunity to thank James Kistruck and his family for all the work they put into making the plant sale such a phenomenal success, more than £4500 was raised, a really remarkable total. We are hopeful however that next year we can get back normality and start fundraising again.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank ALL the executive committee members for their continuing support and help, Andy Macartney is stepping down this year, he has been on the Exec for a number of years and has been a great support to the group over that time.

We really do need some more parents to join us, parents from all sections are invited to become members of the Exec, we meet usually 4 times a year and help with the fundraising activities etc., it’s really important for your voice to be heard, for your skills to be put to good use and to help with the general running of the group. The more parents we have on the exec the easier it is for everyone. If you would like to find out more, please do not hesitate to get in touch with myself or Graham or indeed the leader of your child’s section we would welcome any questions you may have or even if you would like to find out a bit more we would be more than happy to have a chat with you.

That brings this REVIEW and AGM to a close, just a reminder regarding the Group Exec, please think about joining us, its really quite enjoyable! We’re even getting a CHRISTMAS party this year!!

Best wishes to you all and HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

5: Group Scout Leader’s Report

Another challenging year

Groups all continue to be at full capacity, waiting lists closed, plea for more Leaders and more Executive members

Camps: Explorers and Cubs both had fantastic Camps

Extremely lucky to have such support at Cramond

Full praise and commendation to all Leaders

Credit to our youngsters for their loyalty to the Group and positive approach throughout lockdown

Thanks to the Executive for support and administrative support

Such pleasure to work with such a great bunch of young people in our Group!

Anyone wanting to join the team in any way is warmly encouraged to come forward

6: Treasurer’s Report

Run through by S Smit, full report given.

7. GSL’s nomination of Group Chair, Secretary, Treasurer

8. Election of:

Members of the Group Executive Committee: Helen Smith, Andy McCartney, Anne Smith, Claire McDowell

Group Secretary: Tanya Heron Ramsay

Group Treasurer: Sandra Smit

Thanks to Anne Smith for her service on Committee

9. District Representative - Commissioner Mark Hesketh

Lovely praise for the video presentations

Census: down 25% in UK but in region down 15%, growth in Explorers, drop in Beavers - attributed to zoom based activity and older groups ability to meet outdoors more.

Snap shot census showed rise to pre pandemic numbers

On behalf of the District, thanks to Cramond for their financial support to struggling groups elsewhere.

Introduction of Squirrel dreys elsewhere in District and nationwide

Awarding of Top Awards to youngsters and adults

Importance of training for leaders and adults

Special mention to Jane receiving her Wood Badges

10: Close

Showed videos again