

82nd Craigalmond (Cramond) Scout Group
Executive Meeting
30th August 2018, 7.30pm, Cramond Kirk

Present

Chair: Sarah

Secretary: Diane

Members: Graham, Mike, Donald, Lisa, Becks, Helen, Paul, Andy, Rebecca, Paul, Ann (latter part).

Apologies

Jane, Grant, Emma.

Minutes of previous meeting

No corrections and all actions completed or covered below.

Previous actions:

- Graham sent letter for Grapevine calling for more leaders.
- Around 40 going to cub camp.
- Sub discrepancies sorted out – working with James to automate gift aid declaration and subs. Lisa aiming to sort out with James before the next round of subs.

Action: Graham still working on the GPDR action list

Section updates

Explorers – 37 explorers with 5 (semi-permanent) leaders – would be good to have a few more back-up leaders. Ten went camping in Crieff over the summer with good hillwalking. Santa sleigh is main event for the winter term.

Sea Scouts – Not active over the summer. Regatta planned for end of September (28-30th), and sailing season almost finished.

Scouts – approx. 70 scouts, 2 young leaders, 8 leaders. Great summer camp despite poor weather - highlights were RNLi boat and overnight expedition. Programme this term focusses around WW1 anniversary, bat box building for the Burgess. Seven chief scout awards presented over the summer.

Monday cubs – no update.

Friday cubs – 30 cubs. New leader (Jo). Term planned out including badges, camp at end of September (40 going).

Monday beavers – no update.

Friday beavers – no update.

We have three new leaders and a new young leader. Still encouraging further leaders, but in better situation than we were in earlier in the year.

Finance and subs update

Finances

£8665 in the bank

+ around £300 from Donald

- £1500 to go out for the J3

- around £1000 to go out to J3 for money they made at the two fundraising events

- £500 to get the RIB serviced

- £1000 rent on hall

Action: Graham to check that hall bill has been corrected.

Lisa will check with Clare about when subs will come out for this year. Exec will consider raising the subs by £5 or £10 next year.

Fundraising - 2018/19 plans

Andy has enquired about applying for the Edinburgh Airport Community Fund. Next meeting of the fund group is in October and bid for the safety boat seems reasonable.

Action: Andy will draft up application for around £1.5-2K.

Ruth has raised £1k to date through her sponsored bike ride.

We need to raise around £6k towards the boat costs.

Santa sleigh will go out around 4 times – usually get around £400-500 per night. Request for Donald to look at changing route so not too late for younger kids. Lisa to look into who organises the Barnton lights switch on and Donald will look into having the sleigh along to that.

75th Anniversary

The anniversary dinner has been booked at the Marriott in Corstorphine for 5th October 2019. Room booking is free (160 – 200 people). Facebook page set up with around 300 people invited. Scott Goddard is continuing to co-ordinate the year of events including this dinner – a sub group is meeting to organise this and other ideas.

Badge design competition form will be sent around the unit.

WW1 100th year anniversary events

Action: Mike to speak to Reverend Barr to see if there is a special service, and if so, a few scouts and younger ones if they want could take part. Could include laying a wreath.

AOCB

The “Wee Sleep Out” is organised by Social Bite, and is supported by the Scout movement. Something to consider in the future, especially if it could be tied in with another activity. Homelessness could be a theme that is run through the programme – leaders to consider at their leaders meeting.

Graham asked leaders to check that everyone is up-to-date with their PVGs.

Donald raised issue of safety, and reminding children about safe use around meths, gas, etc.

Christmas party on Thursday 13th December at The Brigg – Mike will book.

Addendum: Executive agreed to a new Friday Beaver section bank account.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 22nd November, 7.30pm in Cramond Kirk. Graham will book room.