

82nd Craigalmond (Cramond) Scout Group
Executive Meeting
Thursday 20th September 2012, Cramond Brig

1. **Present:**Graham Cullen (Chair), Irene Stevenson, Russell Shoulder, John , Rebecca Mill, Jonathon, Dave Steers, John Adlington, James Kistruck, Vivienne McNiven

Apologies: Margery Naylor, Hector Black, Ian Morris
Matters Arising- Trailer insurance still to be completed.

2. **Section Updates:** GSL – Lorna and Fiona are going to retire from Beavers on a Monday night at the end of the session 2012/13. Recruitment will be required for these posts. Dave is also stepping down from Explorers at the end of session 2013/13. The District AGM is on the 1st October. The venue for this is still to be confirmed.
Beavers – There are 22 Beavers in attendance on a Friday night with a full programme planned until the end of the year. Beavers have received a thank you letter from St Columbus hospice for their fundraising efforts. The Beavers would like to request permission to create a new bank account and the Executive have formally given permission:

“We the Scout Executive authorise the creation of a new bank account for the Beavers (Cubs, Scouts and Sea Scouts)”.

Graham Cullen –Group Chairman

Vivienne McNiven – Group Secretary

Russell Shoulder –Group Scout Leader

Cubs – Full programme organised.

Scouts – 50 young people in regular attendance with 61 on the books. Need to recruit another couple of leaders (Rhoda will be able to help out at events). Summer camp has been booked, still to arrange Easter. Switzerland went very well.

Sea Scouts – The programme is almost over for the year, next weekend there is a Regatta at Lochearnhead with 17 people going. Currently investigating the selling of 4 old Kayaks to buy a larger new one.

Explorers- 26 Explorers in attendance to date. Various activities planned, with October being the popular ‘Almost Haunted’ event and later this year covering Santa’s Sleigh again.

3. **Equipment** – After some discussion around equipment requests the following has been agreed for purchase: **2 x Camp Fridges, Floor Matting, Storage Boxes suitable for lamps.**
Also, 4 x waterproof VHF radios, 2 x Mega Phones and repair to the Marquee.

4. Finance – All the annual reports now submitted to OSCAR and status is back in the black. **Irene to receive details of any grants that come in for reporting purposes.** Currently £10k in the account. Section allowance still to be given (however this is taken from subs). Scouts sitting with a large amount in their a/c, however this still to be updated and is probably Kandersteg spend. **All sections to produce for Irene a September statement.**
Subs requests are coming out at the end of September. Graham gave thanks to Irene for all her hard work getting the a/c in order.

5. Fundraising – Suggestions were given for future fundraising events:e.g. Ceilidh , social night that raises money, activity for Beaver and Cub parents, Burns night. **All leaders to give Russell a list of all their occasional helpers.**

6. Recruitment- recruiting now for 3 Beavers leaders: Monday leader and assistant and Friday assistant. Explorer leader required to replace Dave.

Youth Convenor will be invited to join Scout Executive.

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Graham formally thanked Jonathon for his help both in the Executive and the Sailing as he has now resigned for the Executive and he has accepted a new job in Newcastle.

Proposed date for Group Christmas Night out is 13th December. Russell will book this and send out details.

South East AGM is to be held at Loretto.

Sea Scout cellar needs refurbished. The Group is responsible for this as it is rented from the Council on that condition. John Ad to liaise with other property owners to discuss share of costs.

District Day has been postponed and changed to late 2013. Russell would like the 82nd to attend (all ages).

Date of next meeting Thursday 6th December, 8pm at Cramond Brig.