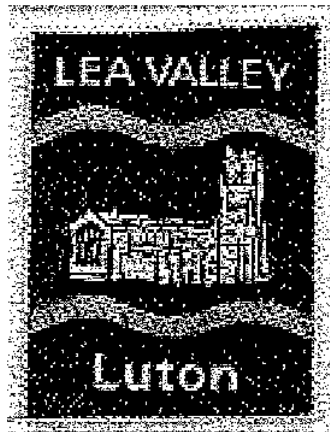


Lea Valley Scout Council



LEA VALLEY DISTRICT

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 11th June 2007

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – MONDAY 11TH June 2007
Held at the Royal British Legion – Marsh Road – Leagrave
Commencing at 7.45 PROMPT

AGENDA

1. Welcome and apologies for Absence
 2. Approval of Minutes
 3. Matters arising from Minutes
 4. Reports
 5. Acceptance of Approved Accounts
 6. Appointment of Independent Examiner
 7. Nomination of Chairman
 8. Nomination and Election of Officers
 - a) Election of District Secretary
 - b) Election of District Treasurer
 9. Administrator Appointment a) Appointment Secretary
 10. Election of District Executive Committee Members
 11. Election of Uniformed Member to County Scout Council
 12. Any other business
 13. Date of next AGM
-

Minutes of the Lea Valley District AGM held on Monday 12th June 2006
At the Royal British Legion – Leagrave commencing at 1945 hours

Members Present: - Mick Waller – Alan Burnham – Mark Webb – Geoff Wright – Pete Harry – Gerard Buckel – Rita Tims – Dave Tims - Steve Baird - Clive Burgess – Cynthia Weatherley

Apologies: - Keith Potts

- ❖ The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. There were no matters arising.
- ❖ The accounts were presented and accepted – Gerard Buckel/Pete Harry.
- ❖ Janet Goodchild for auditing the accounts will be sent flowers as a thank you – Rita to organise.
- ❖ Election of Officers: -
- ❖ Chairman: - No Chairman – The DC Alan Burnham to chair future meetings.
- ❖ Secretary: - Cyn Weatherley agreed to continue as secretary for another year.
- ❖ Treasurer: - Keith Potts
- ❖ Appointments Secretary: - Rita Tims
- ❖ Executive: - Gerard Buckel/Mick Waller/Steve Baird
- ❖ County Council: -

All the above members were proposed and accepted.

- ❖ Alan Burnham thanked everyone who worked in the District.
- ❖ Date of Next years AGM – Monday 11th June 2007
- ❖ All future meetings will be held at the Royal British Legion Leagrave.
- ❖ Meeting closed at 2015 hours.



**Report & Accounts
For the year ended 31st January 2007**

LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENTS

TRUSTEES: *Ex-Officio* – Appointment
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
CHAIRMAN
SECRETARY
TREASURER
ASSISTANT TREASURER

Name
ALAN BURNHAM
CYNTHIA WEATHERLEY
KEITH POTTS
RITA TIMS

TRUSTEES: *Elected*
APPOINTMENT SECRETARY
FELLOWSHIP REPRESENTATIVE

Name
RITA TIMS

TRUSTEES: *Nominated* – Appointment
COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Name
STEVE BAIRD
MICHAEL WALLER
GERARD BUCKEL
PETER ARMSTRONG

BANKERS - BARCLAYS BANK Plc, High Street, Harpenden

CUSTODIAN TRUSTEES (if any)

OTHER ADVISORS

Independent Examiner – Mrs J A Goodchild

Group/District Registration Number with the Scout Association 10105

Charity Registration Number – 283198

Contact Name and Address – Mr A Burnham, 2 Thirlstone Road, Luton, LU4 8QT

Lea Valley District Scout Council

*Annual Accounts for the year ending
31st January 2007*
(combined accounts, District & Fellowship)

Bankers Barclays Bank Plc
 Harpenden Branch

Treasurer Mr K Potts
 8 Liston Close, Luton
 Beds. LU4 9HA

Independent Examiner
 Mr P Nunn
 17 Torquay Drive, Luton
 Beds. LU4 9LL

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
LEA VALLEY (LUTON) DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

I report on the accounts of the District for the year ended 31st January 2007 which are set out on pages

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The District'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 my responsibility to

- .Examine the accounts (under Section 43 (2) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- .To follow the procedures specified 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 my attention.



Basis of examiner's report

My 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 District 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

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

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - .to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act and
 - .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 my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

 4/5/07


LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st January 2007

	This Year £	Previous Year £	Previous Year £
FIXED ASSETS	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank	4,103.94	6,037.35	
The Scout Association Short Term Investment	17,185.95	37,277.19	
Fellowship Cash & Bank	2535.07	634.55	
	<u>23,824.96</u>	<u>43,949.09</u>	
Less: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Fellowship Subscriptions	308.75	213.45	
	<u>23,516.21</u>	<u>43,735.64</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			
Less: LONG TERM LIABILITIES	0.00	0.00	
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	
	23516.21		43,735.64
NET ASSETS	<u><u>23516.21</u></u>		<u><u>£43,735.64</u></u>
Represented by:-			
FUNDS			
General Funds	21289.89		43,314.54
Fellowship General Funds	2226.32		421.10
	<u>23516.21</u>		<u>43735.64</u>
		<u><u>£23,516.21</u></u>	<u><u>£43,735.64</u></u>

Approved by the Trustees on 14-5-07 and signed on their behalf by



The notes on pages to form part of these accounts

LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st January 2007

Budget £		This Year General Funds £	This Year Total £	Previous Year Total £
	INCOMING RESOURCES			
	Membership subscriptions & Refund	145.30	145.30	4,291.90
405.00	Fellowship Subscriptions and Refund	110.00	110.00	330.00
(250.00)	less: Payable	-6547.50	(6,547.50)	(4,636.80)
(357.00)	less: Fellowship Payment	0.00	0.00	(262.80)
<u>(202.00)</u>		<u>-6292.20</u>	<u>(6,292.20)</u>	<u>(277.70)</u>
	INVESTMENT INCOME			
0.00	Bank interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Fellowship Bank Interest	5.50	5.50	4.19
1,400.00	The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	1408.76	1,408.76	1,617.12
1,400.00		<u>1414.26</u>	<u>1,414.26</u>	<u>1,621.31</u>
	DONATIONS			
0.00	Fellowship Sundry Donation	2000.00	2,000.00	7.49
	BT Donation	500.00	500.00	0.00
0.00		<u>2500.00</u>	<u>2,500.00</u>	<u>7.49</u>
	ACTIVITIES			
	Cub Camp	272.99	272.99	0.00
	Service Collections	97.32	97.32	107.70
	Cub Competition	0.00	0.00	10.10
	Fellowship Activities	0.00	0.00	63.00
	Fellowship Camps	0.00	0.00	213.45
0.00		<u>370.31</u>	<u>370.31</u>	<u>394.25</u>
	FUND RAISING	0.00	0.00	0.00
		0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
	OTHER INCOMING RESOURCES			
	District Donation	0.00	0.00	2,871.67
	District Sundry	6.23	6.23	826.46
	Contra Unpaid Cheques	2040.00	2,040.00	0.00
	Fellowship Gift Aid Tax Refund	84.61	84.61	76.15
0.00		<u>2130.84</u>	<u>2,130.84</u>	<u>3,774.28</u>
<u>£1,198.00</u>	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>£123.21</u>	<u>£0.00</u> <u>£123.21</u>	<u>£5,519.63</u>

LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

! Statement of financial Activities summary for the year ended 31st January 2007

Budget £	RESOURCES EXPENDED	This Year General Funds £	This Year Total £	Previous Year Total £
	PREMISES			
50.00	Hire of Halls	50.00	50.00	50.00
<u>50.00</u>		<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	DONATIONS / GRANTS			
	Donations	16000.00	0.00	0.00
	Wreath etc	25.00	25.00	18.00
205.00	Fellowship Donations & Speakers	195.00	105.00	95.00
<u>0.00</u>		<u>16130.00</u>	<u>130.00</u>	<u>113.00</u>
	ACTIVITIES			
50.00	Service collection Payments	175.82	175.82	41.20
	Service costs	0.00	0.00	50.00
	Cub camp	170.21	170.21	0.00
5,000.00	District Fun Day	0.00	0.00	3,083.74
	Fellowship Activities	178.22	178.22	129.23
	Fellowship Camps	0.00	0.00	200.00
<u>5,050.00</u>		<u>524.25</u>	<u>524.25</u>	<u>3,504.17</u>
	ADMIN EXPENSES			
125.00	Stationery Etc	251.07	251.07	150.52
0.00	Training	0.00	0.00	35.04
100.00	Insurance	80.99	80.99	181.31
	Equipment	2910.99	2,910.99	0.00
150.00	Fellowship Admin & AGM	16.37	16.37	27.91
<u>375.00</u>		<u>3259.42</u>	<u>3,259.42</u>	<u>394.78</u>
800.00	TRUSTEES/ADC's EXPENSES	114.17	114.17	102.98
<u>800.00</u>		<u>114.17</u>	<u>114.17</u>	<u>102.98</u>
	OTHER EXPENDITURE			
	All Saints Group	0.00	0.00	130.00
165.00	Sundry & AGM	169.50	169.50	52.56
	Fellowship Sundry	0.00	0.00	15.99
<u>165.00</u>		<u>169.50</u>	<u>169.50</u>	<u>198.55</u>
	DEPRECIATION/WRITE OFF'S	0.00	0.00	0.00
<u>£6,645.00</u>	TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>£20,247.34</u>	<u>£4,247.34</u>	<u>£4,363.48</u>

LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Statement of Financial Activities summary for the year ended 31st January 2007

	This Year General Funds	This Year Total	Previous Year Total
	£	£	£
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES (page A4)	123.21	123.21	5,519.63
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (page A5)	-20247.34	(20,247.34)	(4,363.48)
	<u>-20124.34</u>	<u>(20,124.13)</u>	<u>1,156.15</u>
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	0.00	0.00	0.00
NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES	<u>-20124.13</u>	<u>(20,124.13)</u>	<u>1,156.15</u>
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	-95.30	(95.30)	101.55
FUND BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD	43735.64	43,735.64	42,477.94
FUND BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>£23,516.21</u></u>	<u><u>£23,516.21</u></u>	<u><u>£43,735.64</u></u>

The above account and accompanying statement of financial activities were approved by the Trustee's on

District Commissioners Report

As I begin to be District Commissioner of Lea Valley I look at this District, a small District, yet one that every one knows about in our Scout County, because so many of it's leaders put so much into the County Centenary Camp. We should be proud of that achievement, not least because even though a lot of the District Team and a few group members were preoccupied with camp, the district went on to have a very good percentage turnout at the camp! Yes it was stressful, but we know just why we did it, and we should all be proud of ourselves and each other for the enormous effort it took to do those two things. I am proud to be a member of this District.

The District has grown by about 20 members; both Strathmore and St. Luke's have had an increase in their cub sections. Though the census returns were similar in numbers hovering around the 300 mark, we have had an increase in some groups; Leagrave, Slip End, Beech Hill and Caddington being presented with an award for growth at the County AGM last month! I would like to congratulate them and encourage every one to keep up the good work of providing quality scouting for young people in our district. We have also had an increase in Leaders, and we now have a small but increasingly active Explorer section, which I hope will continue to grow, and perhaps supply us with young leaders as time goes by.

However members of the non-uniformed district committee have decided to move on. It is with sadness and thanks that we say good-bye to Keith Potts, District Treasurer, Cynthia Weatherly, District Secretary and Dave Timms, ADC Fellowship. They have all worked hard in the District for a many years and their experience will be missed. I hope they stay in Fellowship and continue to enjoy the camaraderie Scouting has to offer.

On a happier note we now have a new ADC Fellowship, a name familiar to most of you Alan Goodman, and the search for a new treasurer is bearing fruit! We still have the District Secretary post available if you know anyone who would like to join this happy and effective team!

We still need to look to recruit more leaders in most sections, and to keep up the active and interesting program for the young people to keep them interested and draw more in.

The Scouting Centenary Year still has 6 months of fun and many joining in events. So let's enjoy the rest of the year, and look forward to a 'not quite so busy' but enthused 2007-2008!

Liz Burnham
District Commissioner

ADC Scouts Report

Another year has passed and where did it go and what have we done. Alan Goodman left as GSL for Strathmore. We now have a new DC for the meantime until such time when the districts merge or not.

There are three scout troops in the district at the moment, Lea, Leagrave and Strathmore. As you may be aware I have been running Strathmore troop, so I have had no time to get round and see other troops, which I apologize for.

Centenary camp was a good camp and a great experience for any new members. Many thanks go to the organising committee.

This is my last report as I am stepping down as ADC Scouts. I am helping run Strathmore Scouts until the end of July. However I will be staying in Scout fellowship.

Yours in Scouting

Clive Burgess
ADC Scouts

Lea Valley District – Cub Scouts

In last years AGM report I set out a number of tasks that the District Cub Team would strive to achieve during the coming year, these were:

- Over 75% of all Lea Valley Cubs attending the County Centenary Camp
- A growth in Cub Scout Numbers – increasing by at least 56.
- More support for the existing leadership teams, including programme planning workshops.
- The formation of an 8th Scout Group in the District

And I'm sure we would have achieved these, however, we continued to work with Strathmore Cub Pack, we temporarily stepped in to help run Slip End Cub Pack with Mike Hockey whilst waiting for Akela (Jon) to arrive from Lea, helped out at Lea Cub Pack whilst their Akela (Adrian) moved in from St. Luke's and stepped in to help keep St. Luke's Group running. At times it felt like we were playing a game of "Musical Akela"!

After the summer holidays, there was the usual mix of pack holidays, conker championships, we walked for wildlife and Beech Hill Group put on another fantastic Islam Awareness Evening, at the Luton Central Mosque.

As Christmas approached we took part in the District Carol Service and on the 16th December we enjoyed a 90th Birthday Party for Cub Scouting.

The Cub census figures were down slightly this year, as the annual census took place just before we started a recruitment drive at both Strathmore and St. Luke's. Numbers of Cub Scouts have also been steadily growing, since the census, at most other packs as well.

In March, after a sponsored silence in aid of Comic Relief, a Cub Scout from Lea Scout Group was posted through over 90,000 households front doors ... his photograph appeared on the front page of the Herald & Post newspaper. Also in March, Beech Hill Scout group visited Luton Fire Station and had a very interesting evening.

A great deal of time at the start of 2007 was taken up with the planning of the Centenary Camp for several members of the District Team. This had a minor knock on effect of us not being as available as we had been previously. However, the results were definitely worthwhile as we had a large number of the District youth members taking part in the largest County Camp in living memory.

An 8th Scout Group, is still on the cards and we do have a Cub Leader who is being "prepared" to move into the new group as it is established. Strathmore Cub Pack has a new Cub Leader and finally, St. Luke's Cub pack now have a new Cub Leader, after all the forms have been filled in and an interview with the appointments subcommittee. I'm very pleased to say that 6 out of 7 Cub Packs in the District now have a permanent Cub Leader, with assistants.

So, even though we didn't hit the targets I had predicted we are now hopefully entering a phase of stability and further growth as we continue through the centenary year. So what of next year? Well, I'm going to stick with last years goals, minus the first one of course, so my predictions are:

- A growth in Cub Scout Numbers - to more than 150 in the District.
- More support for the existing leadership teams, including programme planning workshops.
- The formation of an 8th Scout Group in the District

LEA VALLEY DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st January 2007

MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

This report is inclusive of the activities and assets of the Lea Valley District Scout Fellowship, responsible to the District Commissioner and forming part of the Lea Valley District Council.

The District Executive Committee (The Trustee's) support the Commissioner in administration of the District, maintaining financial control/ appointment of leaders / insurance and legal matters and effective communications.

No District fundraising is made, so capital accumulated is invested and interest used to administer the District.

Major activities include	Control of District Census return. Check/ receive / pay / National Membership fees. Control Budgets Support Sections when needed Support Groups when needed St Georges Day service Remembrance Services
Public Relations & Social	Camps Various Walks Social Evenings, including competition, quizzes and Speakers

The District is a trust established under its rules, which are common to all Districts

Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association

The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis, which is consistent with the previous year