

# 18<sup>TH</sup> Edmonton Scout Group Executive Meeting

## Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2004 at 7.45p.m.

Present: Paul Symons Chairman/Quartermaster  
Lilian Cooper GSL  
Rob Bruce Treasurer  
Toni Scott  
Sue Bateman  
Richard Clark  
Keith Kimber  
Brenda Kennedy  
John Jewson

1. **Apologies for absence.**  
Apologies were received from Pat Powell, Sally Symons, Kevin Bird and Lucy Bragg  
Absent – Ian Kirby
2. **Minutes of Last Meeting.**  
The minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2003 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as being a correct record.
3. **Matters Arising**
  - 3.1 There were no matters arising from the minutes which were not on the agenda.
  - 3.2 Paul informed the meeting that he had discovered that the Group minibus should have a small bus permit. As these are issued by the Scout Association's Headquarters and only cost £5 he had gone ahead and obtained one so that the minibus could be used legally. The committee approved this action.
  - 3.3 The committee reviewed the Group's participation in the Church Christmas Bazaar. It was decided to try and get the church to shorten the running time of this event but to otherwise continue to support it in every way possible.
4. **Group Scout Leaders Report**
  - 4.1 Lilian reported that the census figures were: 16 Beavers, 34 Cubs, 14 Scouts and 5 adults. This is thought to make us the biggest Group in the District but this could only be confirmed when all the figures were in.
  - 4.2 Lilian reported that the Leaders met recently and decided the following dates:
    - 16 to 17 April – Beaver sleep over
    - 3 July to 7 August – Scout summer camp
    - 1 to 3 May Cubs and Scouts –at Scout Park (Beavers on day visit)
    - 28 to 31 May - Cubs and Scouts camping with Islington District at Chalfont Heights.
    - 13 June – Beavers, Cubs and Scouts doing a sponsored bridge walk over 10 Thames Bridges. Parents are encouraged to participate. Keith suggested that everyone carried a balloon to aid identification
  - 4.3 Beaver numbers are already up 3 since the census.

- 4.4 Five Cubs go up to Scouts at half term and four come up from Beavers.
- 4.5 Scouts are doing the Library and Fire Safety badges. The Mechanic badge is to follow. This section is buzzing at present due to the efforts being made by Mike Smith and Keith.

## 5. **Health and Safety**

- 5.1 There have been no serious incidents since the last meeting.
- 5.2 The committee had no health and safety recommendations to make.

## 6. **Finance**

- 6.1 The Treasurer (Rob Bruce) reported as follows:
- £725 in bank
  - £2,700 in Building Society
  - Quiz night made £99.34 which will be doubled by Barclays Bank under its £ for £ scheme for employees.
  - The trip to the Pantomime cost the group £24.
  - £282 has been spent on vehicle repairs.
  - £120 has been paid out on training for the BSL. 50% of this will be reimbursed by the District.
  - The Group Christmas cards cost £80.
  - £23 per head (as per census figures) has been paid to District for the annual membership subscription.
- 6.2 The committee discussed at length the Group membership subscription and the possibilities available to increase and collect it. It was decided to increase the subscription to £70 per member. It was further decided to offer six monthly payment scheme to anyone who requested it.

## 7. **Resources**

### 7.1 *Minibus Replacement*

- 7.1.1 The GSL reported that the decision to try and replace the minibus had been promulgated via the Group Newsletter. To date no one had indicated that they may be able to help with the funding of this project.

### 7.2 *Transport Manager*

- 7.2.1 John reported that the vehicles were in reasonable order.
- 7.2.2 John further reported that he is still looking for an alternative garage to carry out repairs.
- 7.2.3 John was asked to check the insurance documents to check that any garage could be used.

### 7.3 *Quartermaster*

- 7.3.1 Paul asked for permission to buy a second big propane triple burner stove at an approximate cost of £85 and dispose of the two old (and unsafe) double burner stoves. The committee agreed.
- 7.3.2 Lilian asked for the camp fridge to be repaired. The committee agreed as long as the cost was not prohibitive.
- 7.3.3 Paul informed the meeting that he was hoping to service the hike tents before the camping

season started.

- 7.3.4 The committee considered a request for the provision of a photocopier for the BSL. This request was initiated by Paul as he felt that it was a piece of equipment that Pat would find useful. The committee agreed to buy this item.

## 8. **Fund Raising**

### 8.1 *Review of Quiz Night*

- 8.1.1 The meeting thanked Keith for running this event.

- 8.1.2 Keith felt that more advertising was needed next time to try and increase the number of participants. It was also decided to accept individual entries and make up scratch teams on the night.

### 8.2 *Race Night*

- 8.2.1 Keith reported that he had spoken to Mike Horder who had suggested that March or April would be a suitable time to run this event. The meeting discussed this but concluded that the earliest we could do would be May and asked Keith to suggest the following dates to Mike and see which one suited him. 8<sup>th</sup> May, 15<sup>th</sup> May and 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### 8.3 *Other Fund Raising Events*

- 8.3.1 The meeting decided to support the District Fete if it happened.

- 8.3.2 The meeting decided to take a stall at the Enfield Town Show but only if we can avoid being put in the corner by the tennis courts.

- 8.3.3 Keith suggested that we take a stall at the Forty Hall Rose Fair and agreed to get details.

- 8.3.4 It was decided not to do the Haringey District Fete.

- 8.3.5 Keith suggested that for Boxing Day football we should run a competition on the time of the first goal.

- 8.3.6 Keith further suggested that at Christmas the Group should go carol singing.

- 8.3.7 Keith asked if the Round Table had ever been approached for funds. Paul agreed to look into this avenue with regard to raising funds for the minibus.

## 9. **Activities**

### 9.1 *Annual General Meeting*

- 9.1.1 Paul reported that the Group Leaders had suggested Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May as a suitable date for the AGM. The committee agreed.

### 9.2 *Sunflower Competition*

- 9.2.1 Lilian told the meeting that she would like to revive the sunflower competition this year and asked for a volunteer to run it. Sue Bateman agreed to take this task on.

### 9.3 *Family Camp*

- 9.3.1 Paul informed the meeting that planning was progressing for this event. Gilwell had been booked from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> July. £6 per head was agreed as the camp fee.

10. **Any Other Business**

10.1 Lilian informed the meeting that she expected the April church parade to be on the first Sunday of the month as the second is Easter Sunday.

11. **Date of Next Meeting**

11.1 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 5<sup>th</sup> April at 7:45pm in the Church Hall.