**Lilliput Sea Scouts AGM**

**Wednesday 2016**

**Group Scout Headquarters7:30 pm**

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| **1. Present:** | | | |
| Ragen Bartaby | Simon Inge | Paul Robertson | Steve Payne |
| Keith Redwood | Gill Redwood | Samantha Scott | Paul Gray |
| Diane Newell | Phil Hall | David Kitcatt | Jonathon |
| Nic Spiers | David Hedley-Cheney | Andrew Parkin | Geoff Funnell |
| Brad Farnham | Georgina Allen | Paul Yates |  |

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| **2. Apologies for absence:** | | | |
| Paul Sparks | Collette Harrison |  |  |
| Jim & Donna Boden | |  |  |

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| **3.Minutes of Last AGM** |
| Minutes of the 2015 AGM were nominated as correct by Steve Payne and Seconded by Samantha Scott |

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| **4.Presenation of the Accounts – Appendix A** |
| Jonathon presented the figures for the last 12 months, which showed a slight increase, although purchases have been made in the last year that aren’t an annual occurrence, such as new sails.  (figures attached)  The accounts have been audited, and passed, Jonathon recommends that the accounts should be accepted and this was seconded by Geoff Funnell |

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| **Statement from the Chair** |
| Mr. Keith Redwood started his statement with the news that in the last 12 months we have lost both Carol & Roy Farnham. Roy Farnham is recognized as the driving force behind the group for the last 30 years, and it is determination and drive that have given LSS the facilities it enjoys today.  Thanks to Mr. Simon Inge for taking on the role of GSL (Group Scout Leader), with Simons enthusiasm for the post and the great team behind him, the team have accomplished a great deal since we lost Roy and believes the group will now go on from strength to strength. |

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| **5.Appiontments from the Group Scout Leader – Appendix B** |
| The GSL (Simon Inge) appointed Jonathon Cooper as Treasurer and Keith Redwood as Chair.  The position on Secretary remains vacant |

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| **6. Election of committee** |
| Unfortunately only one parent attended the AGM, and he is considering what help he can provide, so no appointments were possible to the committee |

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| **7. Statement from the District Commissioner** |
| Ragen started with the loss of 2 key people from Lilliput Sea Scout Group (Roy & Carol Farnham), he has observed that the leader team has performed well in the recent weeks after Roy’s Passing.  Ragan visited the 2016 Family Camp at Buddens farm which took place in May and commented on what a great group camp it was.   * Simon Inge was confirmed and congratulated as the GSL (previously acting GSL) and (Ragen) looks forward to the challenges ahead * Paul yates received 5 year award * Paul Robertson received wood badge |

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| **8. Group Scout Leaders Report – Appendix C** |
| Simon started his report with thanks to everyone who has stepped up since we lost Roy at Easter.  We have an excellent group and facilities which are thanks to Roy, we now needed to make him proud  Thanks to all leaders for their continued commitment and support,  Special thanks to;  Keith for his help as Chair  Keith & Gill, for managing the subs for the group  Diane, for managing the groups waiting lists  Paul for running the bunkhouse  And Steve for taking the position of yard manager  We have also seen other changes, and thanks go to  Donna & Jim Boden have left Lilliput and are in the process of moving to Manchester to be with family.  Ian Gough has left to concentrate on other endeavors  John Haynes as taken over the position on Quarter Master  Salley disclosures  Gulliver Explorers for everything and Family Camp  & the parents |

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| **9. Section Reports** |
| Monday Beavers (Paul Yates)  Paul started his report with the news that the loss of Roy, had been the loss of a mentor and a friend. Also in the last year Donna and Jim have stepped down to move to Manchester to be with their family, which left Paul running Monday Beavers on his own.  Paul thanked Simon, for attending Monday Beavers, to allow the Section to continue.  Mon Beavers currently have 24 Beavers scouts, and 2 Beavers have managed to gain their Bronze Chief Scouts Award in the last year.  Thursday Beavers (Geoff Funnell) – Appendix D  Geoff commented on a very busy and fantastic year with Thursday Beavers with visits to Heathland, Pond Dip, Litter Picks, Water Taster Days, HMS Tyne to name a few highlights  Disappointing turn outs at the District Archery and Camp, so Geoff won’t be running these this year.  Although Thursday Beavers did win the district painting competition , and hence will host the event next year  Geoff finished his report with the retirement of MRs Seabrook, and is looking for adult helpers and young leaders from Explorer Scouts.  Thanks to previous Explorer Scouts and to Roy.  Tuesday Cubs (Port Pack), (Paul Robertson) – Appendix E  Paul reported a year of change, Cameron Gray and Samantha Scott both assistant Cub Leaders, Cameron has stepped down completely to pursue a career, and Samantha has had a change of professions and has stepped down to occasional helper.  Georgina Allen has returned after a year’s placement in Rutland, and  Diane Newell has joined Tuesday cubs, Diane as well as running the group waiting lists, has also taken the full admin for Tuesday Cubs.  Paul Thanked everyone for their support.  Paul reported on the large change in badge requirements’ that we have just come out of, that have resulted in new programs being written.  The last 12 months have been busy with a few highlights of a camp at Brownjohn’s Copse, a visit to HMS Tyne, several district events and a spooky Fright night Halloween sleepover.  The pack remains popular currently with 39 Cubs, split 14 Girls and 25 Boys.  Thursday Cubs (Starboard Pack), (David Hedley-Cheney)  David’s report started with the Camps (Brownjohn’s Copse and Halloween sleepover) and Water Nights the Cubs enjoyed last year, and are looking forward to the up-coming events.  Ian Gough stepped down at Christmas to pursue other challenges, David and Paul Sparks have been jointly running the pack since.  The Pack enjoyed a night with Roy in February when he told the cubs the history of Lilliput Sea Scouts, they’ve also enjoyed visits to HMS Tyne, Barclays Digital Labs and the RNLI  Since Christmas David & Paul have awarded 12 skills badges and 4 challenge awards to the pack, and introduced a senior six position.  Monday & Friday Scouts, (Simon Inge) – Appendix F  Both nights have 40+ Scouts, and are reported by Simon as full and busy, a full years with visits including, a fire station visit with practice tower training, orienteering, abseiling, backwoods cooking, and of course as much time on the water as was possible.  They also have enjoyed the HMS Raleigh swimming challenge and a visit from the crew of HMS Cattistock, a drill instructor from Bovington Tank Regiment and plenty of camps to Dartmoor, a survival weekend on the Purbecks and upcoming Snowdonia camp and boating weekends.  Simon finishes with thanks to the leaders around him that help run the scout sections  Gulliver Explorer Scouts (Nic Spiers)  Nic reported that they currently have 18 young people in the unit. GCSE and A level have hampered recent attendance. Nic gave thanks to Paul and Peter who help run the section and also the Scout Leader who help out especially Steve Payne. The Explorers enjoyed the Air Festival last year, actually spending the weekend onboard RFA Argus, and invited to the prestigious beat-the-retreat.  The explorers Rowed the channel! Be it on the back of the channel ferry, the event raised money for the unit and for the Bournemouth Cancer Trust.  The Explorers have enjoyed camps at Dartmoor, North Wales, Family Camp, Brecon Beacons and various camps at HMS sites.  Recently the young people have achieved level 5 1st aid and swimming and enjoyed local events like BBQ’s and backwoods cooking, Pizza night and Easter Eggs. |

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| **10. Meeting Closed** |
| Thanks to all for their efforts in running the 2016 Annual General Meeting of the 1st Lilliput Sea Scout Group |