

1st Tattenhams Scout Group

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Leaders Report



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Over the past 18 months Scouting has been hugely impacted by COVID-19 with the suspension of face-to-face activities and a move to on-line meetings for quite a long period. Leaders have made great efforts to keep our members engaged which is reflected in the annual census taken at the end of January 2021 where there was only been a small decrease from the previous year, however I'm pleased to report that since the return to face-to-face Scouting numbers have increased substantially

All section has very active young leaders helping the adults deliver a Youth Shaped programme, and we are pleased that Joanne Phillips has agreed to become a Section assistant in the Beaver section. As has been for some years the Beaver section can still do with more adult helpers so that the Beavers can do more.

Although the Group leadership works well it would still benefit in having a Group Scout Leaders that is currently a vacant role.

Beavers

Beavers kick it off this year very well with numbers up and Top Award being achieved.

We currently have 20+ Beavers and welcome new members on a regular basis.

Like to welcome Joanne as SAL and Helena as YL to Beavers Team.

Last term had very big programme done with lots of badges and events going on.

Beavers renew promise for St Georges Day at HQ

Reach for the Stars 2021 – Surrey Scout County's first ever County Beaver virtual camp

Cooking on Fires

Sport night Beaver Vs YL's & Mum's

Big Garden Birdwatch Weekend

Building tower out of Marshmallow & Pasta

You all see on the Group Facebook photos and more.

Between September 2020 to September 2021 the Beavers were awarded over 210 badges.

Big thank you to Young Leaders, Rebecca Smith, Alex Charter, Katy Salisbury & Helena for all their support during the past year.

James Brewerton – Beaver Leader

Cubs

26 Cubs - 3 leaders - 1 Young leader

Over the past year the Cubs have been doing some great activities working towards their Chief Scout Silver award and other activity badges. This year alone has seen them earn over 80 badges.

The Cubs have been on some great outings this year from Trampolining to the Box Kart Championship that saw them go head to head and race their packs box kart "Betty" against Cub packs from all over the UK.

Cubs Summer camp was the first camp for the Cub section in since the summer of 2019 due to the COVID 19 pandemic. With the majority of the pack attending it was a great, all be it very very muddy, week of outdoor camping in Kent. The Cubs took part in map work, knot work, games, fire building, pioneering and hiking which earns them lots of badges!

With more camps, activities and outings planned for the future, the next year is set to be a good and active year for Cubs!!!

Ben – Cub Leader

Scouts

19 scouts, 1 Young Leader, 3 Leaders, 1 regular OH.

The expedition that was mentioned in the the last report went well, with most of the participants giving the presentations to go towards their gold award.

Scouts had a successful summer camp where they cooked meals over the fire each day. They also did archery, knife work, axe-work, pioneering, hiking and bivouacking (shelter building).

Chris is back at university, Nikki is at every meeting and planning meetings.

We have this term planned out, including a weekend camp at the start of October half term at Park Farm.

Risk assessments for scouting indoors have been updated to reflect the current guidelines, we are trying to keep outdoors as much as possible.

We are planning a 10 day camp to Jersey in 2023. The scouts will be doing fundraising to contribute towards the costs, we are planning to have at least 1 fundraising event each term, with hopefully at least 1 stall at a Christmas market this year.

About 40 badges were awarded since the last report.

Matt Hooper – Scout Leader