



DORCHESTER DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

PRESIDENT: Mr Oliver Pope

TRUSTEES: *Ex-Officio* - Appointment

District Chairman

District Commissioner

District Secretary

District Treasurer

Name

Mr Steve McLellan

Mr Michael Marsh

Mr John Scutt

Mr Barry Thomas

TRUSTEES: *Elected*

Name

Mr John Dickson

Mr John Bates

Mrs Liz Taylor

Mr David Lancaster

Mrs Barbara Perry

TRUSTEES: *Nominated* - Appointment

District Public Relations Officer

District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Assistant District Commissioner (Scouts)

District Fellowship Member

Name

Mrs Pam Marsh

Mr Ian Perry

Mr David Ling

Mr John Poole

TRUSTEES: *Co-opted* - Appointment

Chairman, Dorchester District Scout Fellowship

Name

Mr Morris Whitchelo

BANKERS: Lloyds/TSB Bank Plc, 1, High West Street, Dorchester

Group/District Registration Number with The Scout Association - **11501**

Charity Registration Number - **1039833**

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Patron HM The Queen President HRH The Duke of Kent Founder Robert Baden-Powell OM

Registered Charity No: 1039833

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st march 2007

MAJOR ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE YEAR

The Executive Committee, as Trustees for the Dorchester District Scout Council, has met six times in the year to consider how to help promote the development of Scouting in the District. Its members, including Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary, were appointed at the AGM of the Council when a new District Commissioner took office. The Committee has supported the District Team of Leaders comprised of the District Commissioner and 7 Assistant District Commissioners each with specific duties, i.e. the four Scout Sections (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers), Public Relations, Special Needs and Fellowship. The District also has a Badge Secretary.

During the year the District Team supplemented the Groups' programmes of activities by organising a series of events. For Cub Scouts there were District Handicraft, Cooking, Football, Rugby, Quiz Competitions, and a camp. Beaver Scouts had a District Quiz, a Sleep-over, a Christmas party and a Football Tournament. The District was responsible for the Explorer Scout Unit (age 14 to 18) and the team of six Leaders had succeeded in providing an attractive programme of adventurous activities, with emphasis on the outdoors. One of the highlights was a visit to Poland by 20 members of the Unit to spend three weeks with the group of Polish Scouts whom the Unit hosted in Dorchester the previous year. The St. George's Day Parade, led by the Dorchester Carnival Band, went to the United Church, Dorchester, for this year's well attended Service. Preparations were put in hand to celebrate the Centenary of the Scout movement in 2007 by holding the County St. George's Day Parade and Service in Dorchester, having a District Camp and attending the County GOOSE Camp.

At the Annual Census held on 31.1.2007 the total membership of the Scout Association in Dorchester District was 429, which is 39 less than in the previous year. In the 10 Groups in the District there were 95 Beaver Scouts which was one more in 9 Colonies than last year. There were 133 Cub Scouts, 25 less in 12 Packs, 95 Scouts 2 less in 6 Troops, and 20 Explorer Scouts in the District Unit, one less, making a total of 343 youngsters enjoying Scouting in the District. The number of girls was 37 in 8 Groups.

The Appointments Sub-Committee had appointed 5 new Leaders during the year but there had been goings as well as comings and at the time of the Census there were 55 Warranted Leaders in the Groups, 6 less than last year. In addition there were 5 District Explorer Scout Leaders. The new leaders were undergoing training under the Adult Training Scheme introduced by the Scout Association in 2004. All Leaders, Officers, helpers and Committee members were being checked by the Scout Association and Criminal Records Bureau, with systematic renewal of checks.

The Dorchester District Scout Fellowship, with its own Officers appointed at its AGM, continued to enjoy a variety of monthly social events. The Fellowship assisted with all the District's fund-raising activities and with some County events.

The District Executive contributed to the well-being of local Scouting by nett fund-raising amounting to approximately £3,721 in the year. This was mainly from the Scout Christmas Post 2006 organised within the terms of Government authorization and giving notice that half the proceeds would be donated to other local charities and appeals which benefitted by £2,325, from a Big Band Concert and from twelve monthly Bingo sessions. To facilitate Group fund-raising the District organised an Autumn Fayre in Dorchester in October and a sponsored Cycle Ride in February. A schedule of improvements was being carried out at the District's freehold property at Little Britain, comprising a hall and a meeting room, to make the premises more secure and accessible for the disabled. It was being used as a District HQ and as the base for the District Explorerer Unit.

The Treasurer's Statement of Account showed the extent to which the District had assisted Scout Groups with grants towards the cost of equipment, badges, insurance of helpers, Leader training courses, including First Aid and Mini-Bus Drivers Certificates. This is in addition to covering the cost of District activities and administration for which no financial demands were made on Groups; all membership subscriptions received from Groups were passed on to pay County and HQ demands.

The funds held by the District amount to some £13,897.53 which is in line with the policy set by the Executive to maintain sufficient funds to be able to cover the District's expenditure for a period of up to 3 years in the event that the main fund-raising activities of the Executive were to suddenly cease.

The District is a Trust established under its rules which are common to all Districts. Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules of the Scout Association. The accounts have been drawn up on the receipts and payments basis which is consistent with the previous year.

Approved by the Trustees on Wednesday 9th May 2007 and signed on their behalf by

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Chairman

DORCHESTER DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

Receipts & Payments Account summary for the year ended 31st March 2007

	This Year General Fund	Previous Year
	£	£
Total receipts for the year (page C5)	15,040.05	9,045.47
Total payments for the year (page C7)	(16,021.40)	(10,492.64)
Net receipts (payments) for the year	(981.35)	(1,447.17)
Cash, bank and similar funds brought forward	14,878.88	16,326.05
Cash, bank and similar funds carried forward	13,897.53	14,878.88

The above account and accompanying statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees

on the and signed on their behalf by

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Chairman

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Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2007

2007/2008		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
9,100.00	MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS	9,996.40	9,546.40
(9,308.60)	less: Paid	(10,202.40)	(10,282.00)
(208.60)		(206.00)	(735.60)
	INVESTMENT INCOME RECEIVED		
3.00	Bank Interest	2.84	3.70
25.00	Building Society Interest (Portman)	19.90	23.16
400.00	Dividends and Interest (NSAI / SIS)	217.16	370.94
0.00	Property Rents (Little Britain)	190.92	0.00
428.00		430.82	397.80
2,500.00	DONATIONS / GRANTS	3,274.00	31.00
0.00	Explorer Unit Grants	400.00	0.00
2,500.00		3,674.00	31.00
	ACTIVITIES		
0.00	Beaver Scout Section	120.00	0.00
0.00	Cub Scout Section	0.00	0.00
0.00	Scout Section	0.00	0.00
500.00	Explorer Unit	168.00	119.00
250.00	District	99.00	0.00
500.00	Scout Fellowship	428.03	249.95
100.00	Leader Training	14.00	88.00
1,350.00		829.03	456.95
	FUND RAISING (gross)		
2,000.00	Waste Paper Sales	2,066.44	916.40
(2,000.00)	Waste Paper Payments to Groups	(2,066.44)	(866.00)
5,000.00	Christmas Post	5,417.14	5,263.28
50.00	Fellowship	59.36	31.62
500.00	Explorer Unit	851.93	0.00
1,500.00	Scout Bingo	1,376.30	1,635.07
1,000.00	Purbeck Big Band concert	852.47	1,242.00
100.00	Other	111.47	171.64
8,150.00		8,668.67	8,394.01
	OTHER INCOME		
200.00	Income Tax recovered - on subscriptions and donations	0.00	0.00
200.00		0.00	0.00

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Receipts for the year ended 31st March 2007 (continued)

2007/2008		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
0.00	SUNDRY RECEIPTS	0.00	0.00
0.00	St. Georges Day \ Carol Service collections	42.10	0.00
30.00	Sale of Fellowship sweatshirts etc.	211.00	0.00
40.00	Sale of Explorer Unit neckers etc.	32.00	0.00
550.00	Badge receipts	1,358.43	501.31
620.00		1,643.53	501.31
<u>13,039.40</u>	TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR	<u>15,040.05</u>	<u>9,045.47</u>

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Payments for the year ended 31st March 2007

2007/2008		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
PREMISES			
100.00	NNDR & Water Rates (Little Britain)	70.84	45.07
100.00	Light and Heat (Little Britain)	100.69	91.77
375.00	Insurance (Little Britain)	363.94	331.34
500.00	Repairs & Renewals (Little Britain)	2,044.08	769.35
<u>1,075.00</u>		<u>2,579.55</u>	<u>1,237.53</u>
DONATIONS / GRANTS			
2,350.00	Grants made to Groups	2,346.81	0.00
2,325.00	Donations made to Charities from Xmas Post	2,325.00	2,325.00
0.00	Donations made from Church Service collections	50.00	0.00
350.00	Jamboree & International payments	456.93	1,050.00
<u>5,025.00</u>		<u>5,178.74</u>	<u>3,375.00</u>
ACTIVITIES			
200.00	Beaver Scout Section	168.66	121.37
200.00	Cub Scout Section	70.96	215.50
200.00	Scout Section	0.00	0.00
500.00	Explorer Unit	963.91	397.47
500.00	District	528.09	389.72
500.00	Scout Fellowship	932.58	242.43
750.00	Leader Training	976.50	823.85
<u>2,850.00</u>		<u>3,640.70</u>	<u>2,190.34</u>
FUND RAISING EXPENSES			
700.00	Christmas Post	718.96	737.15
500.00	Scout Bingo	443.04	421.36
0.00	Explorer Unit	0.00	0.00
750.00	Purbeck Big Band concert	518.51	750.46
0.00	Other District	91.50	438.74
<u>1,950.00</u>		<u>1,772.01</u>	<u>2,347.71</u>
ADMIN/ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES			
450.00	Postage and printing	830.39	215.36
350.00	Insurances	334.17	334.17
100.00	Sundries	159.85	82.72
<u>900.00</u>		<u>1,324.41</u>	<u>632.25</u>
TRUSTEES EXPENSES			
0.00	Team & Officers Expenses	0.00	0.00
<u>0.00</u>		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>

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Payments for the year ended 31st March 2007 (continued)

2007/2008		This Year	Previous Year
Budget £		£	£
	PURCHASE OF CAPITAL EQUIPMENT		
250.00	District Equipment	0.00	145.12
250.00	Explorer Unit	73.99	111.00
500.00		73.99	256.12
500.00	PURCHASE OF BADGES	1,363.90	453.69
75.00	SUNDRY PAYMENTS	88.10	0.00
0.00	Loans repaid	0.00	0.00
575.00		1,452.00	453.69
12,875.00	TOTAL PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	16,021.40	10,492.64

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Statement of Assets & Liabilities for the year ended 31st March 2007

	This Year	Previous Year
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
Bank Current Account(s) - District A/C (Lloyds / TSB)	1,554.50	1,984.51
Bank Current Account(s) - Explorer A/C (Lloyds / TSB)	1,031.38	823.27
Bank Deposit Account(s) (National Savings)	10,190.92	10,970.27
Bank Term Deposit(s)	.....	.....
Building Society Account(s) (Portman)	1,120.73	1,100.83
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service	.....	.....
Cash in hand	.....	.....
	<u>13,897.53</u>	<u>14,878.88</u>
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS		
Tax Claim for Year ending .....	.....	.....
Debts due to District	.....	.....
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
INVESTMENT ASSETS		
Government Stocks at market value	.....	.....
Other quoted securities at market value	.....	.....
Other investments	.....	.....
Property held for investment purposes	.....	.....
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
NON-MONETARY ASSETS Assets for Charity's own use		
Badge Secretary's stock	381.15	481.50
Stock of Fellowship sweatshirts etc.	239.00	62.50
Land and Buildings <u>Little Britain</u>	90,000.00	90,000.00
Motor vehicles .....	.....	.....
Scouting equipment, furniture, etc.	2,000.00	2,000.00
	<u>92,620.15</u>	<u>92,544.00</u>
LIABILITIES Those due within one year		
Accounts not yet paid	.....	.....
Expenses incurred not yet invoiced	.....	.....
Subscriptions not yet paid (due April)	545.00	636.00
Other	.....	.....
	<u>545.00</u>	<u>636.00</u>
LIABILITIES Those due after one year		
Loan (with details) .....	.....	.....
Hire Purchase owing	.....	.....
Leasing payments outstanding	.....	.....
Other long term liabilities	.....	.....
	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND FUTURE OBLIGATIONS		

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

DORCHESTER DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31st March 2007 which are set out on pages 4 to 9

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 (3) (a) of the 1993 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 43 (7) (b) of the 1993 Act); and
- To state whether 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 Group/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 Acthave 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.

Name:

Qualification:

Address:

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Date: