

## 29<sup>th</sup> ODIHAM (PONDTAIL) SCOUT GROUP

Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on 3rd<sup>th</sup> March 2008

- (1) **Present:** Elizabeth Wragg (Treasurer), Jannette McElarney (CSL) Jane Deedman, Joy Redfern, Debbie Miles, Keith Bryant, Kevin Morris, Steve Lavender, Louise Braybrook, Clare Mitchell, Jonathan Ives (secretary)
- (2) **Apologies:** Brian O'Donnovan (Chairman), Lorna Nicholls, Colin Eastham, Graham Sutherland
- (3) **Previous minutes:** Previous minutes were approved.
- (4) **Chairman's report:** none
- (5) **Previous Actions**
  - i. Laser cartridges. The group have received notification that the company that previously we sent cartridges to has gone into liquidation. Remaining cartridges should be sent to another company.
  - ii. List of key holders **Action** done
  - iii. Barn Dance: **Action** ongoing see Fundraising section
- (6) **Scouter in Charge report – (Jannette McElarney (CSL))**
  - i. 22 Beavers had a sleepover at the Crondell Scout centre
  - ii. Cubs took part on the district football and mastermind competitions.
  - iii. Morag Lane and Jayne Weyhill-Smith have been invested as leaders
  - iv. Paperwork has been done for Louise to become Beaver leader & Clare to become a Scout leader
  - v. Scouts had a cycling weekend
- (7) **Treasurers Report**
  - i. Presented final accounts, which will be reduced in size for the AGM
  - ii. Accounts were proposed and seconded
  - iii. The accounts will be audited by a friend of the Treasurer
  - iv. All Gift Aid will have been applied for by the AGM
  - v. Electricity estimated bills are now more accurate
  - vi. There was discussion as to whether subscriptions should increase. A figure of £90 was proposed and seconded across all sections.
  - vii. A per week figure will be included in the new subs letter for the first week after school holidays i.e. 21<sup>st</sup> of April **Action** Elizabeth
  - viii. It was suggested the group might consider moving to a metered water supply. This might be a good idea once the den rebuild is complete
  - ix. The Budget was approved and seconded
  - x. The Group needs a new cheque book from the bank
- (8) **Fundraising**
  - i. **Barn dance**
    1. 80 tickets have been sold + 6 for the band members means 86 meals are needed
    2. Helpers to meet at the hall @ 6:00pm to setup
    3. Bread, cheese, butter and salad will be prepared on the day by Kevin
    4. Raffle prize will be a large Easter Egg + bottles
  - ii. **Morrisons bag packing**
    1. Clare contacted Morrisons re. Bag packing and the Easter weekend slot has already gone and all slots are full for the next 2 months. The Christmas slot is also gone.
    2. Another person is managing this at Morrisons. The group may need to consider an alternative weekend in June **Action** Clare to contact Morrisons regarding a June slot
    3. This has been a lucrative source of fundraising in recent years but the group may have to investigate alternatives if this becomes unavailable
- (9) **Den rebuild**
  - i. Chairman to complete HDC Grant application for Den **Action** Chairman outstanding
  - ii. Steve Lavender has contacted a number of pre fabricated building manufacturers but costs were very high (circa £100K & £300K)
  - iii. Kevin Morris has been in contact with a local builder who may be able to build for considerably less **Action** Kevin

Date of next meeting Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2008