35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group

A Registered Scottish Charity No SC032888













Annual Report and Financial Statements 2024-25





35TH GLASGOW (CROOKFUR) SCOUT COUNCIL

Minutes of Annual General Meeting – 12th December 2024

1. Introduction and welcome

Theresa McGrattan, the Group Chair, welcomed everyone, including guest Stuart Imrie, our District Chair and 46 parents. She explained that, together, we were members of the Group Scout Council of the 35th Glasgow.

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received from Alasdair Keane, Pegasus Explorer Leader, and Shazia and Aman Durrani. Further apologies were intimated on the night, on behalf of Ashley Miller and Suzanne Cotton.

3. Governance topics

3a. Approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30th November 2023

The Group Trustee Board had reviewed the minutes of last year's AGM at their meeting held on 5th February 2024. Theresa therefore put forward that these minutes be taken as read and asked the Group Scout Council to agree they were a true record of that meeting.

This was seconded by Kari Gillies and approved unanimously by the Scout Council.

3b. Adopt the model constitution from Scottish Variations from Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scouts

In line with the recommendation from Scout Headquarters, the Group Trustee Board proposed that the Group Council adopt the model constitution from Annex A of Scottish Variations from Policy, Organisation and Rules, which set out how to conduct business and make decisions, as a charity. A copy had been available for review and inspection prior to this meeting.

This was seconded by Iain Jamieson and approved unanimously by the Scout Council.

3c. Note the Group's financial year

Since the Group's inception, the financial year has operated from 1st September to 31st August each year. The Trustee Board now felt that 1st August to 31st July would work better for the Group, since Sections resume for a new session each year, during August. Having taken advice from our Independent Examiner, the Trustee Board had decided to make the change in 2025. Group Scout Council members were asked to note that our financial year in 2024-25 will be 1st September to 31st July (11 months) and thereafter it will be 1st August to 31st July.

This was approved unanimously, by a show of hands. OSCR would be notified of this change.

3d. Approve appointed and community members of the Group Scout Council

Stephen Parker was nominated as a Group Scout Council member, as neither of his children are now members of the 35th. This was approved unanimously.

3e. Agree the number of members that may be appointed to the Trustee Board

Scout rules state that Trustee Boards should have a minimum of 5, and no more than 12, Trustees in total, including ex officio Trustees and any co-opted Trustees.

The outgoing Trustee Board recommended that nine people be appointed, which would give a Board of ten members, including Gillian Caldwell (ex officio). That meant up to two further members could be coopted, should the need ever arise. This was proposed by Theresa McGrattan, seconded by Matthew Paton and the Group Scout Council approved the recommendation unanimously.

3f. Agree the quorum for future meetings of the Group Scout Council (excluding this AGM)

The Group Scout Council was asked to agree the minimum number of members that must be present at Group Scout Council meetings eg AGMs, to allow the meeting to go ahead. The outgoing Trustee Board recommended the quorum should be set at 12 people. Kari Gillies seconded the proposal and it was approved unanimously.

4. Review of the previous year

4a. The Group Lead Volunteer's annual review

Gillian Caldwell gave a review of another busy year for the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers, highlighting the Group Camp and Explorer trip to Switzerland, in particular. She congratulated young people who had gained top awards and adults who had been recognised for their good service and length of service.

4b. Receive and consider the Annual Report of the Group Trustee Board including the annual Statement of Accounts

Theresa McGrattan informed the meeting that the Group Trustee Board had approved the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts at its meeting on 4th November, having received the report on the accounts from Allan Gibson CA, our Independent Examiner.

Stephen Parker, the Group Treasurer, provided an explanation of the Statement of Accounts and invited any questions, but none were forthcoming. Stephen was thanked for his work on the accounts and for the report.

5. Making appointments

A Trustee Board had to be appointed to oversee good governance for the charity over the next year. Members of the Group Scout Council were asked to approve appointments for either one, two or three years, to assist with succession planning. This meant that only a few vacancies would occur each year, going forward.

<u>5a. Appoint the Group Chair, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board</u>

Theresa handed the chair over to the Group Lead Volunteer, Gillian Caldwell. Gillian explained the open selection process agreed by the Trustee Board and its subsequent recommendation that Theresa McGrattan should be appointed as Group Chair, for a period of 3 years. This was approved unanimously.

Chairing of the meeting was returned to Theresa McGrattan.

5b. Appoint the Group Treasurer, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board

Following the open selection process, the recommendation to the Group Scout Council was that Stephen Parker should be appointed as Group Treasurer, for one year. This was approved unanimously.

<u>5c. Appoint members of the Group Trustee Board, following recommendations from the open selection process initiated by the Group Trustee Board</u>

The outgoing Trustee Board's recommendation to the Group Scout Council was that seven further members should be appointed to the Group Trustee Board.

The Group Scout Council approved the following:

For **three** years, Preeti Merrifield and Kari Gillies For **two** years, Suzanne Cotton, Matthew Paton and Hassan Ismahel For **one** year, Iain Jamieson and Karen Imrie.

Theresa thanked the Trustees for their work during the year and, in particular, Deborah Reid who was stepping down as a Trustee after 8 years, but who would continue to look after admin functions on behalf of the Board.

5d. Appoint the Independent Examiner

Stephen Parker proposed Allan Gibson, a Chartered Accountant and therefore suitably qualified, to be our Independent Examiner for 2024-25.

This was seconded by N McGuire and approved unanimously.

6. Closing remarks

Theresa closed the AGM, thanking everyone for attending and outlined arrangements for the rest of the evening.



This year the Beavers earned 213 badges! Here is what they did...

We started the year saying hello to our new Beavers and learning all about the Beaver Promise, fitness and healthy eating. This was done through playing on the activity trail, learning about teeth brushing and making fruit kebabs.

We then welcomed a parent volunteer who taught the Beavers all things money, from how to recognise notes to the history of money. The next few evenings were spent creating crafts that solved a problem and learning how to safely toast marshmallows on a fire, whilst singing our favourite campfire songs.

Another highlight of the year came in October, which involved one of our young leaders starting there set of international nights, this one involved learning all things about France. From what they eat, to learning a song in French. This linked into the Beavers World Challenge badge and the International Badge.









We spent the rest of October and the start of November learning about talking to strangers and the dangers this can have. We also constructed our own creations and solved problems as a team. From the floor is lava to what Lodge can create the best paper aeroplane.

We then had another international night and this time we were off to Canada, learning about Scouting over there, and the similarities and differences between them. Moving into December we created Christmas crafts and identified and planned how we were going to help the community. The Beavers also had a lovely Christmas family evening, were they we treated to a performance from a magician. During this night we also said goodbye to one of our leaders Catriona and thanked her for all she did.

In January, we took part in a Beaver Log Chew and learned all about the Beaver programme and promise, through relay races and crafts. The next few evenings were all about learning about different cultures, we started with our own through celebrating Burn's night, with Scottish food and music. We then had the third of our set of international nights, this time learning about China, and the Lunar New Year. We then learnt about Scottish games, and the history of Scouting.

The Beavers spent the next few nights being creative, making valentine crafts and building their own machines out of recycling materials. We focused on learning different skills, and having the last of our four international nights, this time going to Italy.

The Beavers visited our local fire station, in Clarkston and learned about everything they do and wear as part of their job. The older Beavers also had an opportunity to have a sleepover at the Science Centre, which involved learning all about Space and the Body.









We ended March and started April playing outside on the activity trail, going bowling and learning about Spring. After the spring break the Beavers came back and learned about healthy eating and the food plate and took part in a litter pick around the school area, and what impact this can have on the local area. The Beavers also learned about good teeth hygiene and how to protect and look after bees.

Our summer camp this year was held at Lapwing Lodge with the Cubs and Scouts. This is always a highlight of the year, with the Beavers taking part in crate climbing, pond dipping, soft tomahawk throwing to name but a few. This camp helped the Beavers to achieve the Adventure and Outdoor Challenges. The Beavers created their own models out of Lego and make a shield and sword to go home with.









The end of the term involved the Beavers taking part in a few science experiments and a family fun day outside in the sun at St Cadoc's, with a BBQ and inflatables to name but a few activities. At the end of the year, we also said farewell and thank you to Amy and Laura as full time leaders. We are extremely grateful for everything they did, over many years.

I would like to thank Gemma, Kai, Euan and Lucy our Young Leaders, for providing support, planning nights and for their enthusiasm every week. A special thanks to Gillian and Karen part of our Group Leadership Team for everything they do for us too.

Jade Thompson

Beaver Leadership Team



What a year it's been! From earning badges to sleeping in the Glasgow Science Centre, the Cubs have had another action-packed, mud-splattered, and laughter-filled year. They've tackled challenges big and small, asked a lot of curious questions, and managed to come out the other side with new skills, great memories, and the occasional lost cagoule!

This year, our Cubs have been busy collecting badges - with 394 earned in total. Due to their hard work and commitment while at Cubs, seven young people, Matthew, Haroon, Caleb, Aaron, Harrison, Joshua and Harry all achieved their Chief Scout's Silver Award. This award requires a huge amount of effort, completing all 7 Challenge Badges and at least 6 Activity Badges. We're really proud of you all - well done!









Some of the badge highlights this year included the International Activity Badge, from colourful crafts to *Día* de los Muertos, Cubs explored the world without leaving the hall. A great way to build understanding of other cultures, respect for their practices, and possibly an appetite for Mexican snacks. With the Scientist badge, and the help of our very own in-house science wizard Colin, the Cubs got stuck into hands-on experiments. No explosions, but plenty of new things to learn and messy tables! We also learned all about Money Skills, thanks to the help of Ross Keenan, one of the Cubs' dads and we found out about the history of our local area created Coats of Arms, as part of the Local Knowledge badge.

The Cubs learned all about the importance of nature and how it changes and evolves through the seasons with the Naturalist badge. They learned the countryside code and environmental care, spotted more bugs than David Attenborough and, with help from the Explorers, learned just how interesting and important bees are to our planet.

Some Scouting staples were also part of the programme with Cubs learning Outdoor and Pioneering skills, tying knots, pitching tents, and working together to make outdoor meals, with a healthy dose of mud helping them to up their camping confidence.







As the months became warmer, the Cubs were lucky to begin spending more time outside. They took part in the Athletics badge, running, jumping and hopping their way to earning their badge, showing great sportsmanship along the way. And of course, we had the ever-important Green Cross Code - turning everyday lessons about road safety and responsibility as a car passenger into fun and engaging activities (with bonus chips during the "Chippie Challenge").

As much as we love our weekly meetings, it's the big events that really stick in the memory, and this year did not disappoint. The Cubs visited the Braehead Apple Store for a tech-filled evening, creating digital masterpieces and learning how to program games. Our trip to the Eastwood Theatre to see the Cinderella pantomime was a classic outing, filled with laughter, sweets and songs (oh no it wasn't!).

An exciting evening at the Glasgow Science Centre was a chance for the Cubs to learn about science, technology and the universe, getting involved in live demonstrations and experiencing the cosmos in all its glory in the IMAX theatre. Then we were able to sleep over - definitely one for the memory books!







Group camp in May was a chance for the Cubs to work towards the Scottish Thistle Badge (unique to Scotland), learning all about Scottish identity and culture. The Cubs took part in a Mini-Highland Games - tossing wellies, throwing cabers and hurling haggis. Despite the rain, the Cubs were able to try kayaking and tomahawk throwing.

A huge thank you to our Cubs team, Barbara, Colin and Mark. Week after week, they give up their free time to plan and deliver a fun, engaging, and meaningful programme for our Cubs. Whether it's leading outdoor adventures, running science experiments, or patiently herding excited Cubs down Ayr Road to eat chips, they do it all with a smile. We're so grateful for everything they do to make Scouting such a positive experience for our young people.

We can't wait to see what new adventures await, but one thing's for sure - it'll be filled with friendship, laughter, and lots of new badges.

Cubs Leadership Team

Ashley, Barbara, Colin and Mark







SCOUTS

Welcoming everyone back after summer is always a highlight, and Autumn term gave us a great opportunity to dive into new challenges and skills. We began the year working towards our Communicator Activity Badge, focusing on mobile and internet communications — covering everything from safe online behaviour to understanding how the digital world connects us. Scouts also celebrated Pride with activities contributing to their World Challenge Badge, exploring inclusion, respect, and identity in our community. We rounded out the term with an exciting look at the stars, completing the Astronautics Activity Badge before it merged with the new Space badge. The Scouts loved learning about rockets, space exploration and satellites, and it was great to see their curiosity take flight!







Although Winter is one of our shorter terms, it was packed with adventure and service. We made the most of one of our no-let nights with an energetic evening at Pinkston Watersports, where Scouts took to the water to try kayaking — for some, their first ever time in a kayak! We also took a meaningful step towards our World Challenge Badge by visiting and volunteering at Eastwood Foodbank, learning first-hand how local communities support one another. Back in the hall, Scouts focused on their Teamwork and Creative Challenge Badges, spending time discussing their personal strengths and weaknesses and how they could support one another as a patrol. To end the term on a festive note, we embraced creativity again by making Christmas crafts as part of our AGM celebrations.







Spring brought a great mix of fun, learning, and new experiences. The term started with a trip to Eastwood Theatre to see Cinderella, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. The Scouts then completed their Electronics Activity Badge, a project they'd chosen themselves, and explored how circuits and components work in real life. Continuing our focus on communication, we revisited the Communicator Badge with sessions on NATO phonetics and Morse code, putting those skills into practice through team games and challenges. In the kitchen, Scouts made gnocchi and pesto from scratch, learning about different dietary needs and discussing allergies and food safety. To finish the term, we ventured out to Hamilton Ice Rink to try curling for our Thistle Award, which was an exciting and unique experience for everyone!







The Summer term was all about camp preparation and adventure! The Troop dedicated much of the term to getting ready for a busy outdoor season — from Group Camp in May at Lapwing, to the Summer Camp at Meggernie, and even the Patrol Leaders' Expedition Challenge to Milarrochy Bay. Our Scouts honed their camping skills, from pitching tents to fire lighting and menu planning. Fifteen Scouts joined Cubs and Beavers for Group Camp, while three Scouts represented us at Meggernie alongside the 145th and Pegasus Explorers. Meanwhile, seven Scouts joined with five Scouts from the 28th Glasgow to undertake the expedition element of their Challenge Badge, which they'll be sharing with the Troop next term. It's been inspiring to see such teamwork and enthusiasm across all our Scouts this summer.









This year saw an incredible amount of effort and achievement across the Troop. In total, Scouts earned:

- 28 Challenge Badges
- 46 Activity Badges
- 46 Staged Badges
- 3 Chief Scout's Gold Awards

Each of these represents commitment, creativity, and a willingness to try something new — and we couldn't be prouder of everyone's achievements! Particular congratulations to Isaac, Jonathan and Luke, on achieving their Top Award, before heading to Explorers – well done! We'd like to thank all our Scouts for their teamwork, energy, and sense of fun throughout the year. You've represented the 35th brilliantly wherever you've gone.



As always, a huge thank you goes to our dedicated leadership team: Stacey, Stuart, Tash, Moray & Hassan. Your time, effort, and commitment continue to make the 35th a fantastic place for our young people to grow, learn, and have fun together.

Stacey Portelly

Scout Team Leader

EXPLORERS

Explorer Scouting is a District provision, but we are lucky to be associated with Pegasus Explorer Scout Unit, a joint Unit between the 145th Glasgow and ourselves, which continues to be one of the strongest in the District. The Unit now boasts over 40 members.

In the first half of the year we enjoyed getting out and about, including kayaking at Pinkston and climbing at Glasgow Climbing Centre We also offered a night camping in hammocks and shelters at Lapwing Lodge and an evening gaining navigation skills at Whitelee. We had fun designing our own crazy golf course and visited the fireworks display at GHA. Another major focus of the term was Remembrance, with the Explorers visiting the younger sections to run evenings about the significance of the poppy and leading the Remembrance Sunday Service at the Church. We welcomed visitors from the Turban Tandoori, who taught us how to make authentic pakora, and Gary Dunn, who provided a magic show.













A major highlight of the year was a weekend away to Manchester, with the main event being indoor skydiving at iFly. The trip also offered the chance to try real life Mario karts and take part in the Crystal Maze, in addition to exploring some of the other local attractions and museums.







After Christmas, we attended the Harlequin panto 'Cinderella' and tried our hand at Al Movie Making. Our Traitors evening provided a lot of fun and we designed our own 'Subway'-style sandwiches. A focus on our Tuesday evenings in the second term was working on the Earth Tribe Award. This is a unique badge to complete as it is available to Scouts all around the world. As part of this the Explorers decided to focus on biodiversity and in particular the crucial role bees play. The Explorers developed sessions to inform the younger sections about the issue, planned and took action by encouraging the planting of wild seeds and shared what they did to spread the message further. We rounded off the term with a visit to Glasgow Ski Centre.

In the summer term, we managed to get out and about, participating in a 'Chippy Challenge', Lawn Bowls, High Ropes, Giant Hungry Hippos and Archery at Lapwing Lodge and a final night at RollerStop.









Our fundraisers were a great success and thanks to everyone who supported Soup and Santa, the Race Night and the Family Fun Day.

Our 17 Explorers who will be tackling the Explorer Belt in Canada, in 2026, had a training weekend at Auchengillan and travelled around Glasgow, The Trossachs and Loch Lomond, getting into the swing of doing projects.

We spend a fantastic five days at Scout Adventures Meggernie, for our joint summer camp with the 35th and 145th Scouts. The 14 Explorers and 10 Scouts had an amazing time, learning about Bushcraft, going hiking, and taking part in a range of activities, such as the Tyrolean, grass sledges, pizza making, tomahawks, a service project, 'fire and ice' challenge and the slippy slide.









We successfully completed Bronze and Silver DofE expeditions and several of our young people gained top awards, during the year. Congratulations to:

DofE Bronze Awards: Alex Pollock, Calum Fewkes, Max Gressard Rudge, Kai Parker, Thomas Findlay.

DofE Silver Awards: Luc Lyons, Gemma McNaught, Euan Davidson, Advay Khinvasara, Jamie Gray.

Chief Scout's Platinum Award: Alex Pollock, Calum Fewkes, Kai Parker, Max Gressard Rudge.

Chief Scout's Diamond Award: Advay Khinvasara, Libby McGregor, Gemma McNaught, Euan Davidson, Jamie Gray.





I am grateful as ever to the team of volunteers (Gillian, Scott, Thomas and Kenneth) who make all these activities possible and our Explorers who approach all activities with enthusiasm.

Alasdair Keane

Group Lead Volunteer's Report

2024-25 was another fabulous year, both in the 35th Group and Pegasus Explorer Scout Unit. We packed in a lot of activities and the young people achieved many badges and had lots of fun. I hope you have enjoyed reading the reports from our Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer Teams, where you will have found the detail of everything that went on.

Highlights of the year were most definitely

- Our Group Camp at Lapwing Lodge, at the end of May/beginning of June. The weather played a few tricks on us, but 56 young people still enjoyed a great camp.
- The Scout Expedition Challenge, which the Scouts planned themselves. Their destination was Milarrochy Bay, at Loch Lomond, and over the two days they travelled by bus, boat, train and on foot.
- Our joint summer camp with 35th Scouts, 145th Scouts and Pegasus Explorers, at Scout Adventures Meggernie. The weather was pretty kind to us, especially during the day and it was great to have all three Sections working together and taking part in lots of activities.





Thirteen Beavers, Cubs and Scouts gained Chief Scout's Awards this year - 3 Beavers, 7 Cubs and 3 Scouts. This is a tremendous achievement that requires a great deal of work, to achieve every Challenge Award, plus a number of Activity Badges. Well done!

A number of our adult volunteers have also been recognised during the past year – Stacey Portelly and Ashley Miller were awarded the Wood Badge, for completing all their training as leaders. Stacey was also awarded the Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service and Alasdair Keane, our Explorer Team Leader, was presented with the Award for Merit. Jade Thompson and Stacey Portelly were awarded the 5-years Length of Service Award and Stuart Grimes was awarded the 15-years Length of Service Award. Congratulations to all and thank you for everything you do.

In November, we welcomed Mark Fraser to our Cub Team. During the year, we lost the services of Catriona Cannon and Amy Miller from our Beaver Team and Laura Thompson has had to step back from a weekly role at Beavers. A massive thank you to each of them, for everything they have contributed to Beavers. We are delighted that Jade Thompson has taken on the Beaver Team Leader role and wish her every success.

You too could be part of the fun! Volunteering can be as flexible as you need it to be and is a great way to contribute to your local community. We have volunteering opportunities available within teams and no experience is necessary. Please speak to one of us, if you'd like to find out more.

My thanks to all the Trustees on our Group Trustee Board, who continue to support our activities and undertake their charity responsibilities. Thanks too to our wider parent body, for supporting our work and encouraging your children to participate to the full. I hope we will continue to enjoy your support during the year ahead.

However, most of all, I must thank all our Section Teams, including Young Leaders, for everything they do to make Scouting such an exciting and fun experience for our young people. Also, my thanks to Karen, for all her help as a member of our Group Leadership Team.

Please follow what we get up to in the year ahead, on Instagram <u>@35thglasgowscouts</u> and on Facebook <u>@35thGlasgowScouts</u>. Follow our Explorers too, to see what opportunities await from the age of 14 years, on <u>Facebook</u> or on Instagram <u>@PESUGlasgow</u>.

Gillian Caldwell

GROUP LEAD VOLUNTEER

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group



Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the

11 Months ended 31 July 2025

Charity No SC032888

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group Trustees' Annual Report 11 Months ended 31 July 2025

The Scout Group is constituted in terms of the Rules of The Scout Association, which is a charitable body incorporated by Royal Charter. The Group is a registered Scottish Charity - No SC032888

The Trustee Board has pleasure in presenting this report, together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the 11 months ended 31 July 2025

Name and Address

The Group's name is the 35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group and it may be contacted at c/o 8 Rodger Avenue, Newton Mearns Glasgow G77 6JP

Constitution and Purpose

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting; enjoy what they are doing and have fun; take part in activities indoors and outdoors; learn by doing; share in spiritual reflection; take responsibility and make choices; undertake new and challenging activities; make and live by their Promise.

Trustees

Theresa McGrattan	Chair	Deborah Reid	Trustee	until 11/12/2024
Stephen Parker	Treasurer	Preeti Merrifield	Trustee	from 12/12/2024
Suzanne Cotton	Trustee	Hassan Ismahel	Trustee	from 12/12/2024
Kari Gillies	Trustee	Gillian Caldwell	Group Lead Volunteer	
Karen Imrie	Trustee	Amy Miller	Beaver Team Leader	until 11/12/2024
lain Jamieson	Trustee	Ashley Miller	Cub Team Leader	until 11/12/2024
Matthew Paton	Trustee	Stacey Portelly	Scout Team Leader	until 11/12/2024

Trustees are recruited and appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR) of the Scout Association (and Scottish variations).

Activities and Achievements

In the year to 31 January 2025, we increased our youth membership by 2.4%, most markedly in the Scout Section. Programmes included a wide variety of activities, structured around the Scouts Award schemes. Thirteen young people gained Chief Scout's Awards - 3 Beavers, 7 Cubs and 3 Scouts. We held a very successful Group Camp in May 2025, which was attended by 58 young people, from Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and a few Explorer Scout Young Leaders. The Scouts ran an enjoyable Expedition Challenge to Loch Lomond, which was chosen and planned by the older Scouts. Three Scouts also attended a joint summer camp with the 145th Glasgow and Pegasus Explorers, at Scout Adventures Meggernie. All Sections operate at capacity and we have a large waiting list for places. We ran two family events in December and June, both of which were extremely well supported. The Trustee Board met on three occasions to consider the priorities of the Group, review our risk register and to provide strong governance of finances, safety and safeguarding.

Results for the year

As approved at the AGM in 2024, the Group changed its period end from 31 August to 31 July this year. The change in period end has had little or no effect on the results for the period because August is a very quiet month for the Group.

The accounts show a surplus of £1,605.02 for 2024-25 compared with a surplus of £2,003.62 the previous year. The Group again received £1,360.00 (£1,400 in the previous year) in grant funding from the Allander Youth Activities Charitable Trust, which paid for adventurous activities at camp, enabling the cost of camp to be more affordable. The vast majority of parents have completed Gift Aid declarations, which allows the Group to make a significant claim from HMRC, each year.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees believe that around 12 months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves in order to cover the timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected items of expenditure on events or equipment.

Approved by the Trustee Board on 6 October 2025 and signed on its behalf by :-

Theresa McGrattan **Chair**

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group Independent Examiner's Report 11 Months ended 31 August 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group

I report on the financial statements of the 35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group ("the Group") for the 11 months ended 31 July 2025 which are set out on pages 3 to 5.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Group's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 ("the Act") and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2008 ("the Regulations"). The Group's Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented with the those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the 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
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with the Act and the Regulations, and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and comply with the Regulations have 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

Allan Gibson

Chartered Accountant Newton Mearns, G77 5TY 06 October 2025

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group Receipts and Payments Account 11 Months ended 31 July 2025 (2023-24 figures are 12 months)

		Note	2024-25	2023-24
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary Income				
	Subscriptions	3	4,012.50	3,497.50
	Tax Recovered - Gift Aid		1,932.50	1,676.53
Group Activities				
	Group/Section Programme Events		6,787.00	5,375.00
	Grants		1,360.00	1,400.00
Fund-Raising Activites			77.93	0.00
Investment Income				
	Bank Interest		0.00	0.00
Total Receipts			14,169.93	11,949.03
PAYMENTS				
PAIMENIS				
Group Activities	Dragramma Astivitica		9,168.24	7,229.65
	Programme Activities Badges/Handbooks & Uniform		908.34	634.73
	Leader Training		0.00	0.00
	Equipment Purchase & Maintenance		428.52	207.61
	Premises	4	1,241.49	1,102.72
Management & Administra	tion Costs		818.32	770.70
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Total Payments			12,564.91	9,945.41
Surplus for year			1,605.02	2,003.62

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group Statement of Balances 11 Months ended 31 July 2025

	2024-25	2023-24
Cash & Bank Balances (Unrestricted)		
Balance as at 01/09/24	9,925.11	7,921.49
Surplus for the period	1,605.02	2,003.62
Balance as at 31/07/25	11,530.13	9,925.11
Bank Current Accounts	11,530.13	9,925.11
	11,530.13	9,925.11

Other Assets

The Group owns a range of camping equipment, a camping trailer and various kilts.

Liabilities

The Group has no liabilities at 31 July 2025

The Notes on Page 5 form an integral part of these Accounts.

Approved by the Trustee Board on 6 October 2025 and signed on its behalf by:-

Theresa McGrattan Stephen Parker
Chair Treasurer

35th Glasgow (Crookfur) Scout Group Notes to the Accounts

11 Month ended 31 July 2025 (2023-24 figures are 12 months)

2024-25 2023-24

1 Funds

The Group maintains a single undesignated general fund for all its financial transactions.

2 Trustees Remuneration & Expenses

The Trustees did not receive any remuneration during the year (2023-24: Nil)

3 Subscription Income

Beavers	2,490.00	2,300.00
Cubs	2,850.00	2,720.00
Scouts	2,880.00	2,070.00
	8,220.00	7,090.00
Less: Subscriptions transferred to Pegasus Explorer Scout Unit	0.00	65.00
Less: Membership fees paid to Scout Headquarters	4,207.50	3,527.50
	4,012.50	3,497.50

4 Premises

Insurance	121.74	137.77
Hall Lets	1,119.75	964.95
	1,241.49	1,102.72