

7th
Wembley



**Annual General Meeting
Sunday 23 June 2024 at 4.45pm @ Phasels Wood
Activity Centre**

Agenda

- Welcome, Introductions to Trustees and Leaders
- Approval of Minutes from AGM 15.09.2023
- Chair's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- GSL report
- Reports from Section Leaders;
 - Beavers
 - Cubs
 - Scouts
- Constitution
- District Commissioner – David Kitchen
- Nominations and elections of Chair, Treasurer and any other new Trustees
- Information for parents
- Close

Chairs Report

I am pleased to welcome you all to our second Annual General Meeting of the 7th Wembley Scout Group.

In the short space of time since the last AGM in September 2023, the Group has developed rapidly. We have successfully grown from 3 Trustees to 8 and created a brand new Explorer section.

You will read in this report, as well as hear from our Leaders at the AGM, about all the wonderful experiences and activities that our fantastic volunteer Leaders have facilitated, so I won't steal their limelight. However, I do want to express how much I have enjoyed participating and supporting some of the events, especially playing Christmas party games with parents and Leaders, running around London competing with Scouts across the country on the Monopoly Run, representing the Group at the St Georges Parade along the iconic Wembley Way, and spending time with the Group at the activity camp in Phasels Wood camping park.

The Annual General Meeting plays an important role in the Scout Group calendar. So my thanks goes to those parents who have joined us in person for the AGM at the Phasels Wood camping park. It is an opportunity for the Trustees, Leaders and Parents to come together as a Group to celebrate the achievements of all the sections. I look forward to including our new Explore section in those celebrations next year.

The Trustee Board is a team of volunteers who work together, as charity Trustees, to make sure the Scouts Group is run safely and legally. At the heart of our role is a focus on strategy, performance, and assurance. The Board ensures that the Scout Group is well managed, complies with the charity's governing document and the law, manages the charity's resources responsibly and carries out its purposes for the public benefit. The Board also oversees the accounts and set the subscription fees.

All Trustees must complete the Getting Started Training, which consists of 5 modules;

- Essential Information
- Introduction to being a trustee
- Safety
- Safeguarding
- The General Data Protection Regulation Awareness

If you are interested in becoming a Trustee, Leader or volunteering please do reach out to myself or any of the Trustees or Leaders. More hands make light work and we would welcome you with open arms. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming summer fair and other events in the coming year.

My sincere thanks to our volunteer Leaders.

Dinesh Hirani, Jasmine Varsani, Jayashri Varsani, Monica Patel, Naresh Varsani, Priti Fatania, Roopal Patel, Sagar Patel, Sapna Varsani, Akash Patel, Bharat Patel, Dee Abdullah, Mandy Thankey, Manu Unni, Nehal Tailor, Priya Pindoria, Purav Patel, Sangita Maharjan, Sheena Tanna, Shreya Varsani, Vaishni Patel & Occasional Helper (Tunde Kinder Teixeira)

Finally, thank you for your trust and support. The Scout Group would not be possible without your commitment to bringing your child(ren) to the activities, paying subs and sewing on badges.

Monica Patel (Chair of 7th Wembley)



Trustees Introduction

Hi my name is Priya I became a trustee in Scouts because I am passionate about fostering leadership, resilience, and community spirit in young people. Having benefited greatly from similar programs in my own youth, I am dedicated to giving back by supporting an organisation that empowers the next generation. As a trustee, I can contribute to ensuring that Scouts continues to provide valuable opportunities for growth, adventure, and camaraderie, helping young people develop skills and values that will serve them throughout their lives. My role within is safeguarding.

Priya Pindoria

Becoming a Scouts Trustee was a natural choice for me, fuelled by both personal and familial connections to the organisation. With both my children actively involved as Scouts and Explorers, I have seen firsthand the positive impact Scouting has on young people's development. Their experiences have instilled in them a sense of adventure, leadership, and community service, which I deeply value. By serving as a Trustee, I am committed to supporting and enhancing this incredible program, ensuring it continues to thrive and positively shape the lives of future generations.

Mandy Thankey

Hello and welcome to the AGM 2024.
My name is Purav and I volunteered for the lead trustee role in relation to the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) for 7th Wembley Scout Group.
This is an exciting new challenge for me. I have a daughter in Beavers and whilst my main "role" would be overseeing compliance with the regulations, volunteering allows me to meet a variety of people and contribute to ways in which we can improve our children's overall experience and build skills for life.
If you see me please pop over and say hi.

Purav Patel

Hi, my name is Nehal and I am a Trustee for 7th Wembley Scouts. I chose to be a Trustee as I wanted to support my local Scouts group. I have young children that attend and have always had great feedback on the amazing activities organised for them.
As part of my support for 7th Wembley Scouts, I have taken up the role in looking after the Fundraising side. My aim is to be able to raise as much money to keep our Community striving.

Nehal Tailor

My Name is Priti Fatania.
I work in a nursery for which I have been joyfully doing for over 15 years.
My youngest son has been attending the 7th Wembley Cubs Scout group since it was formed.
I truly appreciate the hard work from the leaders and volunteers and to show my appreciation I volunteered to be the group Treasurer.
I am fortunate enough to work alongside an inspiring and dedicated group of people.
I try to volunteer where possible, lending a helping hand on events that pop up and in doing so I hope to be a good role model to my son.

Priti Fatania

I am Sheena and I am a chartered accountant with a breadth of experience working in a number of industries. I became trustee in October 2023 and my lead role is Insurance as I work in an Insurance company.

Sheena Tanna

Hi, I'm Monica, Chair of Trustees. It is a real honour to be part of 7th Wembley and such a fantastic group of people. They always have the children and young people at the centre of everything they do. Having been in scouting as a child myself, I know how scouting can provide incredible life long skills and memories.

Monica Patel

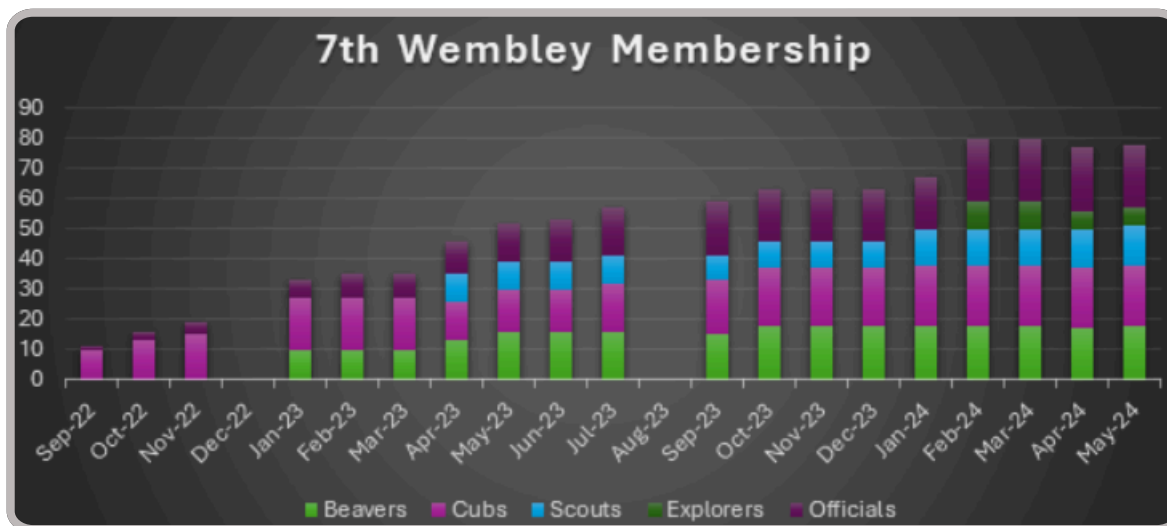
Not having any experience of scouting as a child or as an adult, I decided to give myself a challenge of taking on the role of Group Scout Leader just over 2 years ago. It is evident that scouting provides a young person with experience and opportunities that would last a life time and I am happy I can be part of that journey along with my own kids. I am privileged to be part of the small team that set up the 7th Wembley Scout Group.

Sagar Patel

GSL Report

Time again for the reflective look back at the last year for the period in April 2023 to March 2024. It always feel strange when we have recent activities at the forefront of our minds: St Georges Day and the awards our Young members received, All sections adventure day, Summer Fair, District Camp – and the list continues.

So, what happened last year: We successfully set up a Scout unit and recently an Explorers Unit, which the Explorers decided to call 'Apex'. Not to sound corny, but we hope we can provide them with the experience and support to take them to the Apex of their achievements. We are at our maximum capacity for Beavers and Cubs. We have also managed to grow our Leaders team along with the Group Officials. All of this is a testament to the many hours of planning and organizing the group has been doing.



In addition to our Young Members achieving over 500 badges over the past year, 4 of our leaders also achieved their Night Permit, allowing the group to arrange nights away. Not wanting to repeat the 7th Wembley accomplishments, I'm sure the individual leader's reports will list out all the other proud achievements.

The Board members have also been busy ensuring the group is running effectively and efficiently and keeping up with the changes being made at The Scout Association level. Squeezing in the Trustees 'Pub' meetings during Cubs sessions just goes to show what we can achieve when we make best use of our time.

Lastly I just want to say a huge thank you to all the Leaders, helpers and parents for all the great and small efforts you are making a difference to young people and giving them Skills for Life.

Sagar Patel (Group Scout Leader)



Financial Report

7th Wembley Scout Group Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year from	2023	To	2024

Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions		
Donations		
Legacies		
Gift Aid		
Refund		
Camp & Events		
Miscellaneous		
Sub total		
Grants		
Maintenence grant		
Other grants		
Sub total		
Fundraising events (gross)		
Summer Fair		
Raffle		
Coffee morning		
Other fundraising activities		
Sub total		
Scout hut income		
Hire of building		
Hire of equipment		
Other Scout hut income		
Sub total		
Investment income		
Bank interest		
Building Society interest		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Other investment income		
Sub total		
Total Gross Income		
Asset and investment sales, etc.		
Total receipts		

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For the year from	2023	To	2024

Receipts and payments

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Payments		
Charitable Payments		
Membership subscriptions paid on (National/County/Area/District)		
Youth programme and activities		
Adult support and training		
Rent		
Water and Sewerage		
Electricity and Gas		
Insurance		
Repairs and Renewals		
Materials and equipment		
Printing and photocopying		
Contribution to camp costs		
Uniforms & Badges		
AGM and trustee expenses		
Online Scout Manager		
Christmas Party		
Miscellaneous		
Sub total		
Fundraising expenses		
Detail 1		
Detail 2		
Detail 3		
Other fundraising costs		
Sub total		
Total Gross Expenditure		
Asset and investment purchases, etc.		
Total payments		
Net of receipts/(payments)		
Cash funds last year end		
Cash funds this year end		

7th Wembley Scout Group

Receipts and payments account

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Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the year

	2023/24	2022/23
	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	£	£
Cash funds		
Bank current account		
Bank deposit account		
Building society account		
The Scout Association Short Term Investment Service		
Cash/Floats		
Total cash funds		
(agree balances with receipts and payments account)		
Other monetary assets		
Tax claim		
Debts due from the County/Area/District/Group		
Insurance claim		
Sub total		
Investment assets		
Investment property - detail		
Quoted investments		
Other investments - detail		
Sub total		
Non monetary assets for charity's own use		
Badge stock		
Shop stock		
Other stock		
Land and buildings		
Motor vehicles		
Scouting equipment, furniture etc		
Other		
Sub total		
Liabilities		
Accounts not yet paid		
Expenses incurred but not invoiced		
Subscriptions not yet paid		
Loan - detail		
Other liabilities		
Sub total		
Total net assets		

Beavers

What a busy year it has been since July last year!

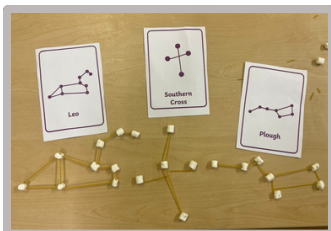
Since September 2023 we have expanded the Beaver section to 18 Beavers, out of which 3 Beaver will be moving to the cub's section in September 2024. Over the last two terms we have had 3 Beavers move onto cubs and have invested a further 2 leaders to the section.

Over the last 2 terms (Autumn 2023 & Spring 2024) Beavers have worked towards and earned a number of badges. They have also continued to work towards earning their challenge badges, which the section will look at completing over the next year.

Some of the activities that the Beavers have completed included;

Autumn Term 2023:

- Remembrance parade
- Church fundraiser
- RAF Museum – Scouts takeover
- Fire brigade station visit
- 7th Wembley Beaver talent show
- Solar system and constellations
- Learning the green cross code
- Stained Glass window cookies



Spring Term 2024:

Highlight of the Spring term has to be the Beaver indoor sleepover, which was attended by 15 of our beavers. They were amazing, showed resilience and so much courage for 6-7 year olds. For some of the Beavers this was their first night away experience. As leader we were immensely proud of them all and hope to be able to provide them with lots more indoor and outdoor camping experiences in the future.

During the sleepover the Beavers earned their cooking badge, washed their own dishes, made their own pitta pizzas, learnt to put up tents, and baked cupcakes. We also had the opportunity to run a camp fire, sing songs, roast marshmallows and eat s'more's. All of the young people and leaders had a fantastic time. Thank you to the young people for your amazing behaviour, parents for trusting us to look after your children and leaders who helped during the sleepover. The success of the sleepover wouldn't have been possible without everyone's support.



Other activities included:

Growing a broad bean plant, sharing their hobbies, Chinese new year, attending RAF museum scout day and chocolate Easter nests!



Looking ahead as a section we are hoping to be able to provide further exciting opportunities and activities for the Beavers. We will be looking to get more involved in District activities, which will enable us to broaden the opportunities available to the section. We are proud of how much the Beavers have developed and grown as individuals, and we look forward to the year ahead.

Jay Varsani (Beaver Scout Leader), Jasmine Varsani (Assistant Beaver Scout Leader), Sangita Maharjan (Section Assistant), Bharat Patel (Section Assistant), Akash Patel (Section Assistant) & Shreya Varsani (Section Assistant).

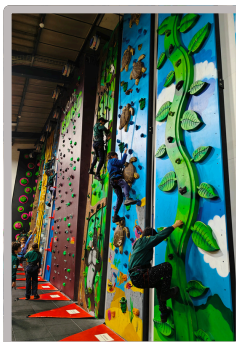
Cubs

Where to start... the Cub pack is coming up to 2 years old soon and we have gone from strength to strength. We've had Cubs turn to Scouts and Beavers join us in Cubs, as well as welcoming new YP into Scouting! We've also been fortunate enough to have a parent volunteer, who helps us out each week - Thank you Tunde!

Over the course of two terms, the Cubs worked and earned over 200 badges as a pack and have taken part in many memorable experiences.

Autumn term

During this term, Cubs visited HarroWall, became collectors, entertainers as well as scientists, took part in their first Remembrance Sunday parade and ended the term with our first Christmas party. HarroWall gave the Cubs an opportunity to do some wall climbing, team building and a safe place to let go of their fears. They faced the "death slide" with apprehension, and then proceeded to go back down it a number of times! Science has never been so fun, as it was this term. They created air powered balloon rockets, which they put to the test, made shiny pennies with various household products, and we discovered which Six had their handwashing in check by conducting a gummy bread experiment. The results were a sight to see!



Ahead of the Remembrance Sunday parade, Cubs discussed the importance of Remembrance Day and created their own tribute. This was then laid down amongst the wreaths at the memorial in Barham Park.

At the end of the year, Cubs collaborated with Scouts and held a family Christmas party. Games were played by both YP and parents, and both groups were as competitive as each other. It was a lovely way to end the autumn term, to celebrate achievements and for parents to play the games which their children play every week.



Spring term

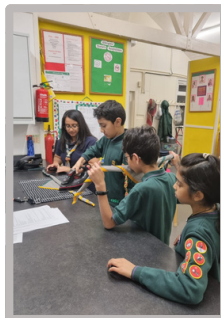
This term was a jam packed one to date! The theme for this term was "Me and the world around me", and the badges worked towards were all focused on themselves, earning new skills, how to be safety conscious and learn more about the wider community.

Wembley police officers visited us to give a talk on personal and home safety, and we had the the opportunity to visit St Panteleimon Church, a Greek Orthodox church where they learnt about the traditions and celebrations conducted at the church. The Cubs as well as the leaders were in awe of the impressive artwork which the church had.



The rest of the term rushed by, with Cubs taking part in various activities such as collecting for a local food bank, Scouts Day at the RAF museum, and attending a district led event (Thames Takeover) to name a few. We were also fortunate enough to celebrate the Lunar New Year, with one of our Cubs and her family.

Several Challenge badges were earned, with the Cubs learning how to sew, iron, bake a cake, keep their beds rooms tidy, and help their family with housework.



As if that wasn't enough, we went camping! As leaders, it was our first time giving them the opportunity to spend two nights away. It was truly a memorable camp, with movie nights, bug houses, plenty of mud, pioneering and a campfire of course!



Achievements!

- After a week to recover from camp, four of our Cubs with a loan from 3rd Kingsbury then went on to win the Brent District Five-a-side Football Tournament!
- Nine of our Cubs received their Chief Scouts Silver Award, which we're very proud off as they worked so hard!

Well done to everyone in the Pack, onwards and upwards! (FYI 2 pages was nowhere enough to cover the the past year!)

Sapna Varsani (Cubs Scout Leader), Roopal Patel (Assistant Cubs Scout Leader), Dee Abdullah (Section Assistant) and Dillan Patel (Young Leader)

Scouts

7th Wembley Scouts have had an amazing Autumn and Spring terms.

We have seen a growth in numbers and expect to see a host of Cubs join us in the coming months.

The highlight of the year so far has been our first indoor camp. This was held at Well End Scout Centre. The Young People had a fantastic time, and everyone's behaviour was outstanding.

The activities included Rifle Shooting, Orienteering, Shelter Building and Camp Fire (we definitely need to work on our singing skills!)

They all helped in cleaning, washing, and drying. If you ever get your kids telling you they don't know how to do this, just remind them CAMP!



The most exhausting event was the Monopoly Run Live! An amazing day with the Young People doing over 30,000 steps!



Over the last term, the Scouts having been conducting the Opening and Closing ceremonies and starting to get involved in determining the course of the sessions. We are starting to see the Young People really coming out of their shells and becoming more confident and supportive of each other.

We have been building our purse of badges and some of the badges awarded in the last year include:

Entertainer, Local knowledge, Scientist, Air Activities, Hikes, Nights Away, Digital Citizen and the Central YouShape badge.

As we continue with badge work the Young People will be working towards their Personal Challenge badges and the Chief Scouts Gold Award, To earn this Award the Young People would need to complete the following stages:

Adventure, Creative, Expedition, Outdoors, Personal, Skills, Team Leader, Teamwork, and the World. This is an Award that will take several years to complete and has significant merit on the development of our Young People.

Naresh Varsani (Scout Leader), Dinesh Hirani (Assistant Scout Leader), Vaishni Patel (Section Assistant) and Dayna Varsani (Young Leader)

Fundraising



- We now have a Brent Community Lottery page!
- Support local causes and win prizes of up to £25,000!
- 50% of all tickets sold from our page go to us!
- PLUS 10% goes to other local good causes!
- Tickets only cost £1 per week!
- Support us and win prizes - WIN WIN!

WE'VE LAUNCHED OUR LOTTERY PAGE

To Start Supporting, Visit:
www.BrentCommunityLottery.co.uk

And Search For:
7th Wembley Scouts



Scan the QR code and shop through EasyFundraising to generate donations for 7th Wembley



Join our private 7th Wembley Facebook group



7th Wembley Scout Group Commitments

ADULT VOLUNTEERS

- Ensure you arrive to the venue, either on-site or off-site, before our young people to welcome them
- Please share with other leaders any relevant information discussed with parents during drop off and pick up
- Ensure Risk Assessments are read and familiarise yourself with session activity before arriving at the session
- Always be in your uniform or agreed uniform along with group necker
- If you are unable to attend your regular session, inform your colleagues with at least twenty-four hours' notice so that appropriate cover can be organised
- Try to prioritise your availability for scout events and activities. Without sufficient leaders YP won't be able to take part in activities/events
- Treat everyone with respect, you are a role model for the YP
- Stay updated on the latest Scouting policies and safety protocols

PARENTS / CARERS

- Inform the relevant Section Leader of any changes to their child's health and allergy information
- Ensure the OSM profile details are always UpToDate
- Respond within reasonable time to messages/emails for events/activities for your YP
- Inform the Section leader if the YP will not be attending sessions or if running late
- Badges provided to YP at the end of term to be sewed on the uniform ahead of the next session
- Replacement scarves, woggles and badges will be purchased at your cost

YOUNG PEOPLE

- Try and attend all sessions to achieve the most out of scouting
- Take part in at least 2 outdoor activities a year out of which 1 would be an overnight camp
- Be in full uniform with the group necker and woggle for all sessions
- Follow code of conduct for each session
- Treat everyone with respect
- Follow the instructions of Scout Leaders



Yours in Scouting

7th Wembley 2023-2024

Group Scout Leader (GSL)	Sagar Patel
Group Chair	Monica Patel
Group Treasurer	Priti Fatania
Trustee	Sheena Tanna
Trustee (Safeguarding Officer)	Priya Pindoria
Trustee (GDPR Officer)	Purav Patel
Trustee (Social Events Coordinator)	Mandy Thankey
Trustee (Fundraising Lead)	Nehal Tailor
Beaver Scout Leader (BSL)	Jayashri Varsani
Assistant Leader - Beavers	Jasmine Varsani
Section Assistant - Beavers	Sangita Maharjan
Section Assistant - Beavers	Bharat Patel
Section Assistant - Beavers	Shreya Varsani
Section Assistant - Beavers	Akash Patel
Cub Scout Leader - (CSL)	Sapna Varsani
Assistant Leader - Cubs	Roopal Patel
Section Assistant - Cubs	Dee Abdullah
Scout Leader (SL)	Naresh Varsani
Assistant Leader - Scouts	Dinesh Hirani
Section Assistant - Scouts	Vaishni Patel