



**51ST BATH (ASCENSION CHURCH) SCOUT GROUP
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**

2015/16



WHO ARE WE?

51st Bath Scout Group is an unregistered charity based in Oldfield Park, Bath that provides a programme of activities to young people (aged 6 to 14 years old) based on the Scouting method, mission and values. It is established under The Scout Association's Policy Organisation and Rules.

FOREWORD

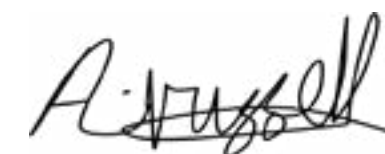
BY ASHLEY RUSSELL, GROUP SCOUT LEADER

We've had a pretty epic year, if I do say so myself. Not only did we officially open our Cub Pack, but participated in an impressive array of activities and have created countless adventures for ourselves. From treasure hunts around the local area, to hikes to Wales. Visits to water parks, to skating on ice.

As of Census 2016, we stand at 34 members (24 youth members and 10 adults), up 55% from Census 2015 (without including the Cubs in our Cub Pack who joined after the cut-off date for Census). This is a big step forward for us as a Group, and we are rightly proud to be reaching even more young people in our community.

All of what we do is delivered by volunteers and it is only right that I recognise them here. Our volunteers aren't super-human or blessed with swathes of time. They hold down day (and night) jobs, look after families of their own and have their own hobbies and interests. What makes our volunteers special is that they believe in what we do enough to dedicate some of their precious time to helping us do it.

What lies ahead for 51st Bath is anyone's guess but with our young people and our volunteers, I can guarantee it will be exciting!





BY BEN MANSBRIDGE, BEAVER SCOUT LEADER

It's starting to feel like I've been doing this job forever, can you believe we're only in our second year? We're still very young, yet we've already done so much.

One of the highlights of the year was the County trip to Crealy Adventure Park. We joined Beavers, Cubs and Scouts from all around the Avon area in a St. George's Day parade with a twist. After the formal ceremony, we made our way into the park and enjoyed a fun-filled afternoon of rides and adventurous activities.

In the summer we started what I hope will be a brilliant annual tradition. The first #51stBathBeaverTrail was a great success! Somehow the Beavers managed to follow the devilish clues, solve the perplexing puzzles, and answer the impossibly difficult questions to eventually find the hidden treasure chest.

It is always nice when Beavers can enjoy a traditional Scouting activity, so that is exactly how we started back after the holidays. Our nature walk took us on a lovely route around the Rainbow woods and allowed us to take some great nature-based pictures. We then used these to create a photo book to show the world what fun we had, and to show off our expert photography skills.

Of course we also spent a lot of time this year creating true masterpieces. My favourite craft activity was the junk modelling where we used seemingly useless rubbish to build working machines. The Beavers showed real creativity, building things I would never think to.

On top of all this we also worked through a large variety of other activities, too large to talk about here, and earned several badges along the way. We obviously played more games than I can list and had more fun than I can describe.

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5 APRIL 2016



