**At Greenock and Within Seafield House, Esplanade on Tuesday, 2nd May, 1933 at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Greenock Association of Boy Scouts.**

Sederunt.

Mr Ryrie Orr, President; District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assistant D.C.s Colin Finnie Jr, Colin R.D. Brown, Arthur Lyle, Jas. P. Campbell, Duncan M. Holmes, and Jas. Dalley; Dist. Officers, Thos. Arthur, Samuel Faulds, and Geo. Allan; G.S.M. Treble, R.L. Ernest Salmon; and Messrs. Hume and Colin Finnie, Sen.

Attending Messrs. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer and A. Rutherford, Hon.Secretary.

Mr Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Sub-committees.

On the chairman opening the Meeting, the following Sub-Committees were appointed -

Finance: (Five members) with power to add to Committee when necessary.

Messrs H.W. Butter, Colin Finnie Jr, Jas. Dally, Wm. Gow and J. Hume.

Mr. Brown moved that this Committee control the Scout Shop, Seafield Lets and Everton. Mr Campbell seconded and agreed to.

Publicity (Seven members, with power to co-opt additional members)

Messrs. Colin R.D. Brown, Geo. Allan, A. Lyle, S. Faulds, Jas. P. Campbell, Thos. Arthur, and W Shearer.

Meeting Night: 2nd Tuesday of Each Month.

Social (Three members)

Messrs J. Swan, E. Salmon and Miss Tulloch..

Badge

It was agreed that Mister Finnie, Dist. Hon. Badge Secretary, form his own committee and report next meeting.

A discussion ensued whether a Supporters’ Committee should be composed entirely of Ladies or of Ladies and Gentlemen. Messrs. Dally and Holmes supporting the former, and Messrs. Lyle and Gow the latter. However, on a suggestion from Mr Riley Orr, it was agreed to allow this matter to lie over for a month.

It was also agreed to leave the matter of Cub and Rover committees until next meeting.

Cub Competitions

The meeting decided that the Cubs, as in the past, continue to look after their own competitions.

Warrants Committee

Acting upon a suggestion from Mr. Walter Scott, County Secretary, per applications for warrants, Mr Holmes moved, that a committee be appointed to consider the applications as they came forward. On Mr Lyle seconding, this was agreed to.

Executive Meetings

The last Tuesday of each month was decided upon for Executive Meetings.

Sub-Committee Meetings

The various Sub-Committees were instructed to arrange their own meeting nights, and to report.

Warden and Master of Works

On Mr Lyle’s motion, supported by Mr Campbell, the meeting appointed Mr. Gale, Warden and Master of Works. In view of the Association's low financial state, and of the Means Test, it was sgreed, that, in the meantime, no payment be made to Mr Gale.

Seafield House

The Chairman acquainted the meeting of the position of Seafield Headquarters. He stated that Mr. Russell, the former District Commissioner, had re-taken the premises as from 2nd February 1933, until Whitsunday 1934, but that this arrangement had since been suspended. He desired to know whether the Hall should be taken for another year. Mr Finnie also pointed out that £20 rent was due by 15th May 1933.

The Treasurer informed the meeting that there were only £13 in hand, and that various Unemployed Centre accounts were still outstanding.

However, Mr Holmes stated he had interviewed Mr McLeod of the After C

care Committee, and that this Committee was prepared to grant £20 in advance.

Consequently, on Mr Campbell's motion, seconded by Mr Lyle, it was unanimously agreed to re-take Seafield for one year.

Miss Brand's salary

Owing to the Association’s precarious financial position, and to the instability of the Scout Shop, the question of Miss Brand's salary was discussed. The present arrangement of payment was Association 50%; Scout Shop 50%. The District Commissioner intimated that the approximate profit from shop for last month was £2.5.5d. Whereupon, Mr Lyle suggested, Mr Ryrie Orr supporting, that the Finance Committee immediately investigate the position of Shop and report. This was agreed to.

It was then agreed to request Miss Brand to continue until end of month at half salary, and with working hours from 5 p.m. to p.m. It was expected that by that time, the Finance Committee Report would be to hand.

Following this, the Chairman requested the Treasurer to prepare a Financial Statement of the Association, from September 1932 to 30th April 1933, and to forward same to County Headquarters.

Everton Camp

The Camp Skipper reporting on Everton, stated that a fair amount of work had been carried out. Abolution Benches, the laying on of drinking water, and a concrete ‘get-away’ had all been completed. The question of latrines was causing most trouble. A Latrine Screen, approximately 12 to 14 yds long by 2 yds wide, costing about 13/-, was urgently required. Whereupon Mr. Ryrie Orr said he would defray this expense. Mr Dally then intimated that the District Commissioner had presented the camp with a green Pennant. The meeting warmly appreciated the generosity of the two gentlemen. Continuing, the camp skipper stated that the boys were progressing fairly well with the rubber-rhoiding of the hut roof. The total cost would amount to £2, of which the boys had met 1£. 8/-, leaving the balance for the Association.

The bathing pool was also in a fair way, but nearly £70 was still required to complete the work.

Urgent needs for Everton were an incinerator @ £4, and two ash bins or receptacles at 3/11 each.

The A.D.C for camping particularly emphasised locker rents. These must be paid to the treasurer, on or before the last Saturday in the month of May 1933.

In his closing remarks, Mr Dally stressed the following points:- Official opening of camp, Greenock spring holiday; And official closing, autumn holiday. Boys arriving at Everton must have the necessary permits.

Rovers - Everton Camp

The question of Rovers camping at Everton was left for the District Commissioner and Mr dally to settle.

Camp Certificates

Mr. Butter delegated powers of granting camping certificates to the camp skipper, who intimated that scouters could obtain permits covering the entire number of weekends during the camping season.

Kindred Organisations

After a short discussion on kindred organisations appointing representatives to this Association, it was agreed to invite the Boys Brigade, the Girl Guides, and the Girls’ Guildry.

Bank account

The following members were authorised to operate on Association's bank account:-Mr. Wm Gow, treasurer, and Mr. Colin Finnie, Jr, Chairman, or Mr. H.W. Butter, District Commissioner.

3rd Group

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr mcGlashan, Session Clerk to St. Augustine's Church, that Mr. Baxter was in charge of the 3rd Group.

Mr Ryrie Orr

Before retiring from the meeting, Mr Ryrie Orr appealed for loyalty and sacrifices from all parties, and thus ensure success. He also complemented Mr Finney Jr on his conduct in the Chair.

New lock for Seafield

Reverting to Seafield Hall, it was agreed that a new lock be fitted to door, and that the following were to have keys - District Commissioner, 1; Mr. Finnie Jr., 1; Warden 1; School Authority, 2; and Miss Brand, 1.

Minutes

On the motion of Mr Campbell, seconded by Mr Treble, it was agreed that the minutes be read at each meeting.

The meeting closed at 9:55 p.m.

Colin Finnie Jr.

30th March 1933. Chairman.

**At Seafield Greenock, and within Seafield house, on Tuesday 8th May, 1933, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assistant District Commissioners Colin Finnie, Jr. and Jas. Dally; Treasurer Mr Wm. Gow; and Mr Hume.

Attending Mr. A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

Mr Finnie occupied the Chair.

Letter Headings etc

introducing the question of official note paper and envelopes, the Chairman submitted various samples and quotations. After a brief discussion, it was agreed to purchase from Mr Lamont, Printer, Greenock, 500 letter heads at 12/6 and 500 envelopes at 7/6.

New Lock and Keys

It was also agreed to obtain from Mr. McGilvray of Greenock, a new lock and six keys. Mr. Dally was instructed to attend to this, and to have account rendered to the Treasurer.

Scout Shop

Regarding the Scout Shop, Mr. Butter suggested this business being leftover until next meeting, so that it could be seen whether the new arrangement with Miss Brand was working successfully. This being found agreeable, and as a report had to be made at the Executive’s next meeting, another meeting was called for Monday 29th May 1933, at 8.30 p.m..

Seafield Let

It was agreed that Vhairman interview Mr. McPherson of Messrs. Welsh, Walker and MacPherson, with regard to the re-letting or re-taking of Seafield Gouse for one year; and also to find out what were the terms of let. This was afterwards to be covered by a letter through the Secretary.

Everton Camp

The Chairman was also requested to \*\*\* \*\* Mr Patterson per Everton Title Deeds.

Accounts

Accounts passed for payment were –

Coke from Greenock Corporation 4/6

Coke from McKellar 1/6

Coke from Lindsay and Crookson 1/8

Telephone £2.7.11

and Wm. Ban (150 dance tickets- 28/10/32) 4/-

Telephone

After discussing the telephone account, the Secretary was instructed to write the Engineer for telephones, Glasgow and find out period of the agreement and notice necessary to terminate.

Account from Messrs Cooper and Comp.

As an account for 16/10½ from Coopers’ Stores, dated June 1932 (incurred through County Flag competition held at Everton), was being continuously rendered, although the treasurer had forwarded it to the county secretary, the meeting agreed that the chairman approach Mr. Scott, re an early settlement.

McSymon’s Account

The Treasurer was requested to obtain from Messrs McSymons Ltd., details of an account for 9/11?

Rovers Unemployed Centre

A financial statement of the Rovers Un-Employment Centre was submitted to the meeting. On finding it ‘Set-out” unsatisfactorily, it was agreed to hold this matter over until the next meeting on 29th May, when Messrs. Gilliland, Chalmers and Gale, who, in the meantime, were to be summoned to the meeting, would be in attendance. A detailed statement of an account for £3.5.6 was to be obtained by the Chairman from the manager of Messrs. Massey and Company.

As the District Commissioner was responsible for this Centre, he was requested to stop the section from spending any further money.

Rubber Stamp

The treasurer was instructed to obtain a cheap rubber stamp for marking sanctioned accounts, “Passed”.

Cleaning Materials

It was agreed that Mr. Gale, the Warden, send all requisitions for cleaning materials to the Secretary.

Meetings

The meeting night of this committee, after 29th May, 1933, was fixed for each Tuesday, a week prior to the Executive Meeting.

Emergency Lets.

In the event of any emergency lets, any three members of the Committee to deal with these.

Colin Finnie, Jr. Chairman 30/5/33

**At Greenock and Within Seafield Hall, on Monday 29th May, 1933, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter, Assist. Dist. Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr. and Jas Dally; Treasurer Wm Gow; and Mr. J Hume.

Attending Mr. A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

Mr Finnie in the Chair.

Un-Employed Centre

On interviewing Messrs Gilliland, Chalmers and Gale, it was found that the following accounts, amounting to £15:15:6d were still outstanding:-

Messrs. Jas. Hill and Co. £1.1.7½

Wm Ewart 4.11

Jms Friel £1.2.6

Cooperation £1.17.1½

do 9.8½

do 13.1

do 2.7

J.S. Watters and Son 8.0½

do 6.2

Loch\*\*\* & Ferguson 2.8

Massey and Son £1.7.1½

J Agnew and Son 11.8½

do (estimates) £7.8.3

To the foregoing, an account from Messrs McIntyre and Harper was to be added. The Chairman to obtain a detailed statement from this firm.

It is understood, that on settlement of these accounts, the Centre will cease to exist.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of meeting, dated 8th May, 1933, was read, and passed for approval at Executive Meeting on 30th May, 1933.

Seafield Let

The Chairman intimated that the Hall had been taken for another year and that the conditions of let were in the hands of the Secretary.

Telephone

The meeting agreed “to recommend the discontinuance of the telephone”, to the Executive Committee.

Cleaning materials

The Executive were also to be requested to agree to the appointment of Mr. McGilvery until end of year, for supplies of “Cleaning Materials”.

McSymons a/c

The Treasurer intimated that this account, amounting to 9/11, was for a quantity of “Soft Soap”.

Rubber Stamp “Passed for Payment”

It was stated that the “Stamp” need not be purchased, as one, at present in Scout Shop, could be used.

Scout Shop

The District Commissioner stated that the Profit and Loss Account, prepared by Mr. Swan, for the year from 31st April 1932, showed a loss of £40.1.5d. However, with the exception of 4/5, all debts had been met. It was agreed to suggest to Executive that the shop be “closed down”, and that Miss Brand be given a week’s notice as and from Saturday, 3rd June, 1933.

It was agreed that Miss Brand be given a reference on termination of her services.

County Business

The Chairman to report on this business at Executive Meeting.

“Camping Standards”

It was suggested that 30 of these booklets at 5d each, be purchased, and distributed to the Groups free of charge. If Groups were so disposed, donations would be appreciated.

Canteen at Everton

The opening of a canteen for the sale of lemonade etc was proposed by Mr Dally Jr, through the District Commissioner. The profits would be devoted to Everton camp funds. The 28/- raised by the boys for the roof Hut at Everton could be used for launching this scheme. It was agreed to submit this proposal to the Executive.

Everton Camp

Acting upon a suggestion from Mr Ryrie Orr, the following rules were to be posted at Everton-

The law of this camp is the Scout Law

The 10 Scout laws in detail

Langhouse Estate is out of bounds

No live timber to be cut in wood

All groups camping at Everton must report at Hut on arrival

Orders will be issued by the Camp Skipper or his deputy

Visitors will only be admitted on the first Sunday of each month

A Bill, “Scout Camp – Private” is to be presented by Mr Ryrie Orr.

The District Commissioner and Camp Skipper intimated that they had decided to divide the camp and that Mr. Orr was having a Bill printed showing the Scout and Rover divisions.

Funds

The following amounts were stated to have been received by Treasurer-

After Care committee £30

Hockey Club 18/-

Through the good offices of Mr. Orr, £1.11.10 had been raised.

Accounts

In connection with a “Rob Roy” account, the Treasurer was instructed to recover from Tennant, Music Seller, Greenock, the sum of 10/-, of which 1/- was to be repaid to Tennant, and 4/6 to be paid to Simpson, Printer, Gourock.

The following accounts, amounting to approximately £10 were moved for payment:

H Russell and Co. 13s 6d

Messrs McKellar 1. 6.

Messrs McSymons 9. 11.

Messrs. Premier Paint Co. 10½ d

Messrs. Lamont, Printers 1. 0. 0.

Messrs Corporation Gas Dept. 1. 1. 6.

Messrs Corporation Electricity Dept 5. 19. 2.

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Postage 1. 6½

Secretary’s account 3. 6

Before closing, this meeting referred to Un-employed Centre’s accounts, and it was agreed to recommend Mr Friel’s (£1.2.6d) for immediate payment.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

27/6/33

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday 30th May, 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assist. Dist. Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr, Colin R.D. Brown, Jas Dally, Jas P. Campbell, A. Lyle, J.J. Swan, and Duncan M. Holmes;

Dist. Officers Thos. Arthur, Geo. Allan, Samuel Faulds;

G.S.M. Rev. \* Treble; Rover Leader E. Salmon; and Messrs Colin Finnie Sr. and J. Hume.

Attending Messrs Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer, and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secy.

Mr. Colin Finnie, Jr in the Chair.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of meeting dated 2nd May 1933 was read and confirmed.

Minute of Finance Committee Meeting

After discussion, it was agreed that Finance Committee pass over minutes, whereupon, on the motion of Mr Jas. Dally, Mr. J. Hume seconding, the minute of meeting, dated 8th May 1933, was adopted.

Sub Committees

Finance: Convener, Mr. Colin Finnie Jr.

Publicity Convener, Mr. Colin R.D. Brown

Social, Convener, Mr. J.J. Swan

Badge: Convener, Mr. Colin Finnie Sr.

The conveners of Social and Badge Committees intimated that they had no fixed meeting nights, but met as occasion necessitated.

Finance Committee Report

This Committee, having investigated the financial position of Scout Shop, recommended the “closing down” of Shop as and from 10th June 1933, Miss Bland receiving a week’s notice. However, after a short discussion, Mr. Brown moved, supported by Mr Finnie, Sr., that shop be closed on 17th instead of 10th June. This was agreed to. On Mr Swan moving, seconded by Mr Campbell, it was agreed to give Miss Brand two week’s notice in place of one.

It was also suggested that stock in shop be disposed of to Messrs. Shannon, Greenock. Ultimately, it was remitted to the Finance Committee to find ways and means for disposal of stock to Scouts, and to report at next meeting.

After examining the Un-Employed Centre’s affairs, it was found that accounts outstanding amounted to approximately £21. Of these, Mr. Friel’s for £1.2.6, was recommended for immediate settlement. This was agreed to.

The committee suggested dis-continuance of telephone service under terms of letter received from District Manager of Telephones, dated 17th May, 1933. Suggestion agreed to.

Suggested also purchase of 30 “Camping Standards” at 5 each, for distribution to Groups; and appointment of J.M. McGilvrary until end of year for supplies of “Cleaning Materials”. Both suggestions agreed to.

The Committee recommended a proposition for the running of a “Providore” at Everton camp, submitted by Mr. Jas Dally, Jr., through the District Commissioner. It was pointed out that 28/- already referred to in a previous minute, could be utilised for this scheme. Profits to go to Association Funds, ear-marked for Everton camp. After expression of views, permission was granted Mr Dally Jr; and the 28/- was allocated for his use. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Dally.

Accounts

Accounts amounting to approximately £10, were moved and passed for payment.

Publicity Committee Report

it was proposed, at District Commissioner’s request to hold a parade to Pirrie Park on Sunday 18th June 1933. After a short debate, it was found necessary to alter date to 25th June 1933.

The necessity of a Supporter’s Committee was stressed at this point, and it was agreed that Publicity Committee convene meeting of supporters and get committee working.

It had been proposed to hold Shannon Cup competition on 24th June ~~and to permit competing teams to camp at Everton~~ but in view of alteration to date of parade, it was agreed to hold competition at a later date, probably sometime in August.

Public service Vase-Agreed to run off as soon as possible after the holidays.

Fire shield-Publicity Committee to bring forward a concrete scheme at next meeting.

Cake and candy Sale-proposed to hold this function sometime in the autumn

Meeting agreed that this be carried out. Finance committed to assist. It was also pointed out that the Supporters Committee would be good assistance in this direction.

Flannel Dances-suggested that these be held during the month of August. The meeting concurred. Social committee to have management.

Proposed to hold a grand dance in the “Lorne” sometime during the winter months. Agreed to. This function allocated to social committee.

Badge Committee Report

Mr Finnie Sr intimated that members of committee were Messrs King and Beaven.

Continuing, Mr Finnie stated that no badges would be issued unless accompanied with written order signed the GSM or officer in charge of section. All orders for proficiency badges must be accompanied with a certificate signed by the examiners appointed by the badge committee. Scoutmasters in need of examiners must inform the badge secretary, who would advise in return the name and address of particular examiner required.

Re examination for annual badges will be made during the months of March, June and December (rule 433. P.O.R.)

Attention was drawn to the fact that Rovers cannot wear scout proficiency badges.

County business

In connection with the county, commissioner meetings were to be held at various places. It was suggested that Seafield be placed at their disposal on 6th June 1933. Agreed to.

The County Executive were now to meet alternatively at Paisley and Greenock. Suggested that hall be granted for executive meetings. This was agreed to. The secretary to fix up when Hall is required.

The county desired to draw attention to the fact that camp permits are required for most places in Scotland, and medical officer of health certificate for all camps.

The county also desires the district to arrange for as many boys as possible to attend the rally at Perth on 24th June 1933.

The district commissioner reported that a conference of Scouters was to be held at Paisley some Saturday afternoon in November or December 1933. After a discussion, the meeting was found to be in favour of the holding of this conference and the district commissioner was requested to push for a date in November.

Correspondence

The secretary was instructed to reply to a letter from the R.N.T.F. branch of British Legion, dated 25th May 1933, stating that we had no collection boxes to lend.

In reply to another communication from same branch, dated 12 May 1933, the secretary was instructed to state that this association would not be able to attend drumhead service on 16th July, and fancy dress parade, 22nd July, as camping season would then be in full swing.

In a letter dated 27th May 1933, form C2 was submitted changing 52nd group from an open to a controlled group. The secretary was instructed to forward forms to proper quarter.

Confirmation of the decontrolling of the 45th group was requested by Mr J.J. Swan in a letter dated 15th May 1933. The secretary was instructed to inform Mr Swan to complete and forward form C2 in triplicate.

Written approval of addition of scout troop to 45th group was to be forwarded to Mr Swan.

Warrant application

Application for GSM's warrant by Mr J.J. Swan of 45th group- probation approved.

Application for ACMs warrants by Mr Chas P Donnachie of 88th group-the secretary instructed to write for GSM's and controlling authority’s nomination.

E.G. Richardson's resignation

The chairman intimated the resignation of Mr E.G. Richardson of 5th group. It was agreed that secretary write Mr Richardson conveying the association thanks for his past services.

Seafield lesser hall

It had been brought to the chairman's notice that damage had been committed by the 59th Cubs to writing desk in lesser hall. The meeting agreed that secretary write the GSM of that group requesting stricter supervision.

It was also decided that a new lock be put on door of this hall, and that key be left with the warden.

Everton camp

A new Union Jack had been presented to Everton camp, but donor desired to remain anonymous. Therefore, the chairman was requested to convey the association's appreciation to the unknown friend.

The association also greatly appreciated the district commissioner’s gift of an incinerator.

Campfire

The meeting agreed to leave this matter until after holidays.

Warrants and badges

Wishing the recipients every success, the district commissioner presented warrants to Mr Colin Finnie junior (GSM) and Mr E. Salmon (RSL) and District Scoutmasters badge to Mr Samuel Faulds.

Meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Colin Finnie Jr Chairman

27/6/33

**At Greenock and within Seafield hall, on Tuesday 20th of June, 1933, at 7:30 PM.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assistant District Commissioners Colin Finnie junior and James Dally, treasurer Mr William Gow, and Mr. J Hume.

Attending Mr. A. Rutherford, Honorary Secretary.

Mr Colin Finney junior in the Chair.

Telephone service

The chairman submitted letter, dated 6 June 1933, stating that the telephone service would terminate on 11th August 1933.

Hall lets

Submitted also, a communication, dated 17th June 1933, from Renfrewshire Girl Guides training committee, requesting use of Seafield on Wednesday 25th October 1933 (7:30 to 9:30 PM) and on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, 13th, 14th and 15th November, 1933 (4:30 to 9:30 PM). After due consideration, the meeting agreed to grant Hall; and as terms had also been \*\*\*\*\*, the training committee could forward a donation to funds.

The district commissioner applied for use of hall on behalf of the 57th group, who, he stated, were at present and straitened circumstances and had no meeting place. It was agreed that Hall be granted until 30th September 1933. The district commissioner to inform Mr Gilliland; and also to interview Church Authority.

“Providore” at Everton

The district commissioner reported that providore at Everton had proved very successful. He also stated that if committee was agreeable it was proposed to erect a store shelter out of the first profits. It was expected that the cost would be covered by one month’s profits. This proposal was unanimously approved.

Everton camp etc

While on the subject of Everton, it was stated that the meeting was entirely in favour of the camp skipper or his deputy being present at the Everton Hut when a person or persons attend there for the purpose of removing property or gear.

Power was given the camp skipper to grant use of Everton to outside groups. Report to be made to executive.

Spending authority

It was agreed to request the executive to grant this committee authority to bent up to £5.

Scout shop

Remarking upon the closing of the scout shop, the district commissioner stated that a balance sheet and stock list would be forthcoming at executive meeting.

Following a discussion on Ways and Means of disposing of stock to scouts, it was agreed that this method was unsatisfactory, and in consequence, the committee request the executive for full power to deal with disposal of stock.

Training courses

it was agreed that executive be requested to set aside a sum of money to meet training courses expenses.

Shannon cup

Regarding the Shannon cup competition for this year, the meeting agreed that examiners expenses be met in full.

Accounts

The following accounts were moved for payment

J\*\* McGilvrary, Greenock 9. 6d

Ditto £2. 13. 0d

Ditto 2. 0d

Ditto 6d

Ditto 7. 0d

Thos Black and sons, Greenock 13. 0d

Postage for month of June 1. 4½ d

Concerning an account from Mr Barr, Printer, Greenock for 4/- for quantity of Rover dance tickets, the meeting were of the opinion that this should be met by the Rovers.

Funds

The treasurer intimated receipt of an anonymous donation for Everton of £1.2.6d. Received also from Gaelic badminton club, the sum of £2.5.6.

Association funds, at present, amount approximately to £25.

Meeting closed at 9.5 PM.

Colin Finnie Jr., Chairman

27/6/33

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday 27th June, 1933, at 7:30 PM.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; Assistant District Commissioners Colin Finnie junior, J. Lyle, JP Campbell, Colin RDP Brown, J Dally, William Shearer, JJ Swan, and DM Holme; District Scout Master S Faulds; district CM George Allan; GSM Rev Mr Treble; RSL E Salmon; Mr William Gow, Honorary Treasurer; And Mr. J Hume.

Chairman- Mr Colin Finnie junior

Shannon Cup

Mr Colin Brown, convener of publicity committee, reported that only one group competed for the Shannon cup; The whole programme was carried through and points awarded, 83.7, showed the high standard attained. The convener moved, seconded by Mr Lyle, that the cup be awarded, and this was agreed to. The secretary was instructed to thank Messrs. Scott and MacLean, the examiners. The district commissioner then presented the cup, and complimented the 10th group over their success, but expressed regret that so few groups had lined up.

Apologies

Apologies were intimated from something DRL Arthur, and Mr A. Rutherford, honorary secretary. The secretary was instructed to send a letter of condolences to Mr Arthur on the death of his mother.

Minutes

Minute of executive meeting, dated 30th May 1933, was adopted on the motion of Mr. J Dally, seconded by Mr William Shearer, with the following exceptions; which should now read that Finance Committee minutes must be adopted by the executive; and camp permits required for all scout camps, and medical officer of health certificates required for most places in Scotland.

Minutes of Finance Committee held on 29th May 1933, was held as read and adopted, the business having been reported to the executive on 30th May and approved.

The Finance Committee minutes, dated 20th June, 1933 was approved on the motion of ADC Dally, seconded by ADC Shearer.

Training courses expenses

The DC for training, Mr Colin Finnie Jr, who intends holding training courses, was on the motion of Mr Lyle, seconded by Mr Faulds, allowed reasonable expenses for this project.

Scout Shop

ADC JJ Swan gave a very full statement on the position of the Scout Shop, and his suggestion that the stock, as far as possible, be disposed off to the groups of at cost price was agreed to. Remitted to Finance Committee for attention. Mr Brown moved, seconded by Mr Faulds, a vote of thanks to the DC and Mr Swan for their report.

Rover dance

It was remitted to the Finance Committee to make enquiries regarding unpaid accounts.

Publicity committee

Mr Colin Brown reported that his committee intend having a supporters committee formed early in September.

The fire shield competition to be held at Everton. Details later.

Seafield decoration

Mr. Brown moved that the recess is in the large hall be given to groups to decorate. This was agreed to, and Mr. Brown appointed to take charge of scheme.

Social committee

Mr Swan said this committee had decided to run two flannel dances on the last two Saturdays in August, but as this was found to clash with the training course, the 12th and 19th August was agreed to.

Cubs

Details were given of the Cub course held at the BB camping ground at Inverkip, which proved one of the most successful held. It was decided that the cub secretary submits a report for executive meetings.

Rover council

The office bearers of the newly formed council are:

chairman Mr E salmon

secretary Mr. J Dally junior, 122 Old Inverkip Rd

and following members, Messrs Allan, Arthur, McDonagh, Hall, and Hume. It was decided that the Rover secretary submit a report for executive meetings.

County conference

The DC reported that a conference was to be held sometime in December. It was agreed that the use of Seafield Hall be granted for this purpose.

RC groups

This matter, in connection with RC groups. was left with the DC who had taken it up.

1st group

A discussion took place regarding the position of this group, and it was agreed to leave the matter in the hands of the DC.

Correspondence

Form C2 in connection with the re-registration as an open group of Orangefield Group was approved.

A letter from the Boys Brigade, appointing Mr RK Brew, LLB, their representative to our annual meeting, was read and noted.

Also submitted, a letter from Divisional Commissioner Mrs Laurie appointing Staff Captain Margaret Brown to represent the Girl Guides at the Annual Meeting.

Unemployed Centre

A letter was submitted from Messrs. JM Hill & Co regarding an unpaid account. The secretary was instructed to write the firm explaining that the formation of a new Association was the cause of the delay in dealing with their account.

Resignation

A letter was submitted from Mr A. Lyle resigning as GSM of 22nd group. Accepted with regret. Mr Lyle said his present employment deprived him of the time necessary to carry on the group. Mr Lyle was thanked for the work he had done.

Scottish scout

A letter asking for increased support without which it would be impossible to continue publication. The order form was passed round and a good number present added their names as subscribers.

Bye laws

Reported that the bye laws of the Association had been improved approved by I.H.Q.

52nd group

Reported that the 52nd group was now registered as a controlled group.

Annual meeting

It was agreed that the annual meeting be held on 31st October, and the executive meeting for that month on the 24th.

Secretary

The chairman agreed to attend to all correspondence until the secretary's return from camp and holidays.

Executive meeting

The next executive meeting was fixed for Tuesday 25th July 1933 at 7:30 PM.

Colin Finnie junior, chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday 18th July, 1933, at 7:30 PM.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

Assistant District Commissioners Colin Finnie junior and James Dally; Mr William Gow, Hon. treasurer; and Mr. J Hume.

Chairman - Colin Finnie, junior.

Training

It was agreed to make a charge of 1/- each person attending the course on the 26th / 27th August, any excess expenditure to be met by the Association.

Everton

The chairman reported that the old platform, in Seafield Hall, belonged to the Association, and it was agreed to remove it for use at Everton as required.

Cash

The treasurer reported a Credit balance of £22.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment:

G McEwing and Son 5/-

Shannon Cup expenses 14/1½

Telephone 19/11

Property

The chairman reported that a Mr J Willon of 3 Ratho St, had asked permission to use the boat lying in the Great Harbour, supposed to belong to Sea Scouts. The committee had no knowledge of the existence of the boat, and the matter was held over.

Rover council

A statement of the Rover council accounts by Mr D Graham was submitted, and the balance 13/8½ was handed over to the treasurer. Agreed to get into touch through the secretary with T. Kidd and G Thompson regarding payment of balances due by them.

Mr. T Gale to be asked to meet committee at 7:15 PM on Tuesday 25th July, regarding Rover dance accounts.

Unemployed centre

The following accounts were passed for payment:

Messrs. A Massey £1 7 1½

Messrs GM Hill and Co £1 1 8

Messrs W William Ewart 4 11

Messrs JS Watters and Son 14 2½

Messrs Lochore & Ferguson Ltd 2 8

Messrs McIntyre and Harper £3 9 4

Messrs Greenock co-op £3 2 6

Amounting in all to £16 2 5d

This leaves only Messrs. Jas Agnew and Sons account for £11 2/- to be met.

Hall keeper.

It was agreed to recommend that ways and means be found to employ a hall keeper for Seafield, as from 1st Oct. 1933

Colin Finnie Jr chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday 25th July 1933 at 7:30 PM**

**Being meeting of executive committee**

Sederunt

Assistant DC’s Colin Finnie Jr, William Shearer; JJ Swan, A. Lyle, JP Campbell, CD Brown, James Dally, and DM Holms; DCM George Allan; DRSL T Arthur; GSM Treble; RSL E Salmon; Mr William Gow, honorary treasurer; and Messrs Colin Finney, senior, and J Hume.

ADC Colin Finney junior in the Chair

Apologies

Apologies were intimated on behalf of district commissioner HW Butter, and Mr. A Rutherford, honorary secretary.

Minutes

Minutes of executive meeting held on 27th June 1933 was read, and approved on the motion of Mr. J Hume, ADC JP Campbell seconding.

The Finance Committee minutes of 18th July 1933, was read and approved on motion of ADC Colin Brown, seconded by DRS. T. Arthur.

Training course fee

The question of the fee for the training course at Everton created some discussion, the charge of 1/- per person being considered insufficient to meet expenses. It was agreed, on the motion of ASM Treble, seconded by Mr Finney senior, that the amount be 1/6 per person.

Property

The question of the boat, supposed to belong to the Association, was held over for further enquiry. In the meantime, Mr Campbell agreed to obtain all possible information.

Hall keeper

Discussing the recommendation from Finance Committee to employ a Hall keeper at Seafield, it was stated that Mister J. Gale had been acting in this capacity gratuitously for some time, and doing the work well. It was therefore agreed on Mr Brown's motion, supported by Mr Finnie senior, to thank Mr Gale for his good services. Agreed also, on the motion of Mr Finnie, senior, seconded by Mr Lyle, to remit this matter to Finance Committee for a report on Ways and Means of employing a Hall keeper.

Publicity committee

No report as committee had not met.

The fire shield report to be submitted at next meeting.

Mr. Brown reported the recesses in the hall being practically all taken up by various groups. He suggested that the three at the top of the hall be left for Cubs, Rovers and scouts.

He also suggested the opening up of the fireplace at the end of the hall. Remitted to Finance Committee for consideration.

Shop report

Mr Swan gave a very detailed report, which was considered very satisfactory, of sales since shop closed.

Messrs Shannon Ltd. agreed to take over the remainder of the stock on condition that we notify our groups that he was looked upon as official outfitter for the Association. Mr Campbell moved this be agreed to, seconded by Mr. Brown. Mr Lyle moved that the word ‘official’ be deleted. Mr Holmes seconded. The amendment was carried by 7 votes to 5.

Estimated excess of assets £20.

Social committee

Reported that arrangements are in hand for running the dances. It was agreed that tickets be not distributed, but to be on sale at the hall door.

Badge committee

All orders for badges should be in Mr Finnie’s hands by the 19th of each month.

Vote of thanks

Mr E Salmon was accorded a vote of thanks for the picture of Everton presented to the Association.

Application for warrants

The following warrant applications were approved on motion of Mr. T Arthur, seconded by Mr Shearer:

Malcolm Paterson, 52nd group - ASM

Ernest Brockwell, 38th group - ASM

Campfire

It was agreed to hold a campfire on the first Tuesday in September.

Registration

The secretary reported that 45th group was now registered as an open group.

Camping

Some discussion took place on the requirements of the M.O.H., Renfrewshire of air space in tents. AGC Brown moved, seconded ADC Shearer, that the secretary write the County Secretary regarding the M.O.H. Bye Laws on area of tents allowed, and request this matter to be taken up with M.O.H.

Colin Finnie, junior, Chairman 29/8/33

**At Everton camp, Inverkip, on Sunday 6th August 1933 at 2:30 PM**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs Colin Finnie, junior. and J Dally; and Mr. J Hume.

ADC Colin Finnie, junior, in the Chair

Apologies

Apology for absence intimated on behalf of Mr William Gow, Hon. treasurer.

Everton

The DC reported a grant of £15 from I.H.Q. for sanitation, and stated that County Secretary would be at Everton, at 4:00 PM, to go over the ground.

After discussion, it was agreed to request for:

2 wooden latrines with corrugated iron roofs about 5ft long

5 gallons creosote

1 drum disinfectant

2 Spades; 2 Picks; and two Trowels.

2 loads sand

Paint

4 bags of cement

2 dust bins

6 sheets corrugated iron

and if any cash remained, to request an incinerator.

The camp skipper was instructed to purchase 12 packets of chloride of lime, 2 scrubbers, 1 large teapot and 1 bass broom.

Seafield

An application from 5th Pipe Band, for use of large Hall on Tuesday and Friday evenings (7:30 PM to 10:00 PM) from 8th 25th August, was considered and granted.

Colin Finnie, junior, Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday 22nd August, 1933, at 7:30 PM.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC's Colin Finnie, junior, and James Dally; Mr William Gow, honorary treasurer; and Mr. J Hume.

Attending Mr. A Rutherford, Hon secretary

ADC Colin Finnie, junior, in the Chair.

Rover dance tickets

On being interviewed in connection with Rover dance tickets, Mr. T Maitland stated that he had only received two pairs of tickets, valuing 5/-, (and not three pairs) which amount he arranged to hand to the treasurer. Regarding the difference (2/6), Mr Dally agreed to approach Mr George Thompson. Further, the secretary was instructed to summon Mr. J Gale to next meeting of committee.

Shop report

Reporting on shop, Mr J Swan stated that a final account would be submitted at following executive meeting. It was estimated that there would be an approximate net credit balance of £24. 13/-. Included in this figure, where amounts outstanding to value of £10.

Property

Further to ‘the boat’, the DC stated that on enquiry, it was learned that it belonged to RNVR. It was also intimated that Mister JP Campbell was to hand on this information to Mr. Wilson.

On motion of Mr Dally, seconded by Mr J Hume, it was agreed to purchase a large table, at £1.10.0 for meeting room.

Seafield - Guard for recesses.

Agreed that the matter be allowed to lie on table.

Seafield Fireplace in Large Hall.

Referring to the opening up of hall fireplace (a 9” diameter hole in hall wall) the meeting argued that this would not be to any advantage.

Seafield Annual lets

The following points were agreed upon-

Annual let Period - 1st October to 30th September

Rental - £6 per annum

Hours- 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM

Only large Hall covered by this let.

As the 5th and 59 groups were, at present, the only annual let's, the secretary was instructed to forward the above for their information.

Other lets to be considered as they come along.

Counter- scout shop

Agreed that counter in shop be removed to Everton, to be utilised as required.

Hall keeper

This business held over until next committee meeting.

Association grant to Mr Gale

This grant to be considered at a later date.

Lock on piano

Agreed to hold over for further discussion.

Everton

Of the purchases from £15 grant, the disinfectant was cut-out, as live stock was on ground during winter months. All other details with exception of the corrugated iron, had been delivered.

The camp skipper was instructed to purchase 4 toilet rolls, 2 shafts (axe and claw hammer - replacements and 4 sheets corrugated iron, for a lean to.

Mr Daley submitted a letter of thanks, dated 25th July, from Strabane Scouts

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment:

J. Friel 6/-

Secretary’s a/c per Mr. Finnie Jr. 2/6

Cash

A letter was submitted from Messrs J. Shannon, forwarding cheque for £11. 15/- in payment of stock taken over from scout shop. The secretary was instructed to acknowledge receipt.

The treasurer then reported on Cr. balance of £26: 5/-

Prints for Everton and Seafield

The secretary was instructed to thank Mr Ryrie Orr, for his gift of framed and unframed prints for Everton and Seafield Hall.

Rovers

Referring to Rovers, the committee desired to know what this section is prepared to do for the Association.

Unemployed Centre

Messrs. Agnews’ account for £11. 2/- was recommended for payment.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 29th August, 1933, at 7:30 PM.**

**Being meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assistant District Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr, J.J. Swan, J.P. Campbell, Wm Shearer, and Jas. Dally; D.S.M. S. Faulds; D.C.M. Geo. Allan; D.R.S.L. T. Arthur; G.S.M. Treble; R.S.L. E. Salmon; Messrs Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer, Colin Finnie Sr., J. Hume, and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie, Jr., in the Chair.

Minutes of executive committee

The minute of meeting of the executive committee, dated 25th July, 1933, was read, and adopted on the motion of ADC William Shearer, seconded by ADC JP Campbell, with the following addition, “that the Rover council proposal, of running a scouters Hut was remitted to the council to submit a concrete scheme at the next meeting of the executive.

Training courses

Commenting on the training course held at Everton, the ADC for training, Mr Colin Finnie junior stated that the attendance had been very poor, and he proposed submitting a full report next meeting.

M.O.H.

Regarding M.O.H. and air space in tents,, the chairman stated the same trouble had been experienced in the upper ward, but, if application was made to the county secretary, Mr. Scott would see permit issued.

Minutes of Finance Committee

the minutes of Finance Committee meetings dated 6th and 22nd August, 1933, were submitted, and approved on promotion of A.D.Cs JP Campbell, DRSL, T. Arthur seconding.

Sanitation grant

The chairman intimated that it was expected the sanitation grant would permit of further purchases.

Unemployment centre

Messrs Agnew's account, for £11.2.0, was passed for payment, the chairman remarking that this was the final debt to be met in connection with the unemployed centre.

Concerning the disposal of the centre’s cobbling tools, this matter was remitted to the Finance Committee.

Rover dance

Full settlement of the Rover dance was expected by end of year.

Shop Report

The final statement and report on Scout Shop, showing a net credit balance of £25. 9.6½ submitted by ADC JJ Swan, was unanimously adopted on motion of DSM S Faulds, seconded by Hon treasurer, Mr William Gow. It was argued that the debt, amounting to £9.5.8, be collected by finance committee. The meeting warmly expressed appreciation of Mr Swan’s good services and assistance in bringing the scout shop too so satisfactory a closure.

Publicity committee - open air services

in the absence of ADC Colin Brown, ADC JP Campbell reported that open air services were being arranged for in Pirrie and Lady Alice parks on Sunday afternoon of September 17th. Full details to be issued to all scouters. In the event of inclement weather, the services would be held in Saint Mary's church and seafield Hall.

Social committee - Flannel dances

A.D.C. J.J. Swan, reporting on flannel dances fixed for 12th and 19th August, 1933, stated that these functions did not take place, having been banned by police, as no public dancing licence had been granted for seafield hall. Thereupon ADC JP Campbell moved that a licence be applied for, and on Mr J Hume seconding, this was agreed to.

Badge committee

On request or Mr Colin Finnie senior, it was agreed that certain badges which he had in hand be exchanged for ones more generally used.

Rover council - scouters club

Submitting the Rover council report, RSL E Salmon outlined the following proposals for scouters club -

Club meet three times during year

Form of meeting to be (a) ½ hour lecture (b) Tea (c) Dance or concert.

Each person to be charged 6.

The meeting agreed to these proposals.

W/E training camps

Mr Salmon continuing, stated a week-end camp for Rovers had been arranged for two 2nd and 3rd September, the DC consenting to arrange the programme. In order to meet the speaker’s expenses, the council requested a grant from association funds. The ADC for training, Mr Colin Finnie junior, pointed out that his grant from the Association would cover this expense, as it came under training.

Rover hall Recess

Concerning the Rover recess in hall, a committee had been formed to arrange for decoration.

Warrant application

An ACM warrant application, in name of T Maitland of 57th group, was passed on motion of the DSM. S. Faulds, seconded by ADC William Shearer, provided that the controlling authorities approval was forthcoming.

Association recess in Hall

The chairman intimated that the decorating of the association hall recess had now been completed: and the meeting accorded the DC and all who had assisted in the work a hearty vote of thanks.

Resignation- P Hendry – 3rd group

The resignation of Mr P Hendry, due to his inability to find time to fulfil scout duties as ASM of 3rd group, was accepted. GSM Treble moved, ADC Swan seconding, Mr Henry be thanked for his past services, and the hope be expressed that he would be able to assist again sometime in the future. This was agreed to.

Providore bank account

As an account, in connection with Providorer at Everton, had been inadvertently opened in association’s name, and as it required the associations bank authority before money could be withdrawn, the secretary was instructed to forward an excerpt of minute, dated 2nd May 1933, showing members authorised to operate our association’s bank account, to West Station Branch of the Commercial Bank.

Proposed Esplin memorial

DRSL T. Arthur enquired whether or not a memorial could be erected, by this Association, to the memory of our late scouter, Joe Esplin. After discussion, ADC Campbell moved that a memorial be erected, sometime in the future. ADC Shearer seconded, and unanimously agreed to.

Following this, ADC James Dally proposed that the proceeds of concert on 16th October, 1933, originally intended for Everton, be devoted, instead, to the placing of a memorial to Joe Esplin. This was agreed to provided the widow approved. ~~G.S.M. Treble undertaking to approach Mrs Esplin.~~

Warrant application - RSL Park 5th group

Regarding RSL Parks warrant application, Mr Gow has been was informed that applicant was under age, thus necessitating recommendation from the DC, who, at present, had the case under consideration.

Meeting closed 9.5 PM

Colin Finnie Jr. chairman 26/9/33

**At Greenock and Within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 19th Sept., 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assistant Dist. Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr, and Jas. Dally; Messrs J. Hume, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Rover dance, 1933

Mr Fred Gale, interviewed in connection with the Rover dance, of October 1932, agreed that he was responsible for £1.17.0. He stated that £1.9.6 had been used to pay accounts, receipts for which he undertook to procure.

The secretary was instructed to approach Messrs Brown, Bakers, West Blackhall St, Greenock, and obtain their account, which, according to Mr Gale, was estimated at £1.15.0.

Unemployed Centre Cobbling tools

Arrangements had been made for return of cobbling tools to Messrs Hill.

Heating of Seafield Hall

After due consideration of a £40 estimate, from Messrs D McEwing & Son, 3 Bank St, Greenock, for the installation of an Ideal Britannia boiler, required for improved heating of Seafield Hall, the committee unanimously agreed to go ahead with work immediately, on the understanding that Messrs. McEwing were prepared to await settlement for one year.

Scout shop debts

The secretary was instructed to write parties concerned for immediate payments.

Appointment of Hall keeper

The business was held over.

Lock on piano

To be discussed at a later date.

Grant to Mr Gale

Grant to be considered on some future occasion.

Accounts

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Jas Milroy, 85 Wellington Street (engraving

Shannon cup and ambulance trophy) 2.6d

Jas Friel (leakage to Everton) 10.0d

Secretary’s account 2.3d

J White, Joiner (repair to desk) 3.6d

Scouters training camp, Everton 12.3d

Rovers training camp, Everton 15.1d

Cash

The treasurer received a cheque from telephone company for 17/7d being balance of £1 deposit after deduction of 2/5 for Sunday calls.

Also received an anonymous donation of £1.0.0d.

Lets Western Badminton Club

After considering letter from the Western (Greenock) Badminton Club, requesting use of hall as in previous years, and if possible, at a reduced rental, the meeting argued to let, but at the same rental, viz. £30, as it was considered impossible to grant any reduction, owing to the extra outlay to be incurred by improving the heating system of the hall.

59th Rover crew

An application, by 59th Rover crew, for use of large room in basement, every night of the week, at a rental of £5.10/- per annum, inclusive of light, was also considered. The secretary was instructed to inform crew that the committee could not consider offer for every night of week.

Open air service

Concerning the parade held on Sunday 11th September 1933, the meeting recommended the following donations:

Saint Lawrence’s Band £1.0.0d

British Legion Military Band £1.0.0d

Pirrie Park Greenkeeper 10.0d

Colin Finnie, junior, Chairman

26/9/33

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 26th September, 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assist. District Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr, Colin R.D. Brown, Wm Shearer, Jas. Dally, A. Lyle, DM Holms and J.P. Campbell; D.S.M. S. Faulds; D.C.M. G. Allan; RL. E. Salmon; Messrs Colin Finnie Sr., J. Hume, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer, and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Apology

The Chairman intimated apology of absence from September 1933 to March 1933 on behalf of ADC JJ Swan, who, owing to evening classes, would not be able to attend executive committee meetings during that period.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of meeting, dated 29th August, 1933, was submitted and adopted on motion of ADC William Shearer and seconded by DSM S Faulds.

Dance licence

The Chairman intimated receipt of Public Dance Licence Application, along with copy of bye-laws. After discussion, ADC Colin Brown moved that no application be made for dance licence, and on ADC Jas. Dally seconding, this was agreed to.

Finance Committee minutes

The minutes of meeting of Finance Committee held on 19th August was submitted. Discussion was held on estimate for new heating boiler, ADC JP Campbell moving that other estimates be obtained, ADC DM Holmes seconding. Confirmation of finance committee's recommendation, which had been altered to read, on receipt of a further communication from Messrs McEwing, “that Messrs. McEwing were prepared to accept settlement in four quarterly payments from period of acceptance” was moved by ADC William Shearer, and seconded by ADC Brown. The recommendation was carried by 10 votes to 3 - the finance minute was approved on motion of ADC Shearer, seconded by ADC Arthur Lyle.

Publicity committee report

ADC Colin Brown stated that a supporters’ meeting, arranged for 19th August, had been attended by only 3 persons, which was very discouraging, but he was prepared to have another “Go”, provided this meeting was prepared to give full support. It was eventually decided to call another supporters’ meeting on 17th October, 1933.

Competitions

The publicity committee recommended that, as it was rather late in the season, the Public Service Vase and the Fire Drill competitions be “washed out” for this year. The meeting concurred.

Social committee

RL E .Salmon intermated committee had considered the holding of annual social meeting and suggested date was 24th November 1933, with the “ as probable venue. Following a varied discussion on hall, hours, catering, and price of tickets, it was finally agreed to hold the social in Seafield Hall on that date. Other details left to committee to arrange and to report.

Cub Council

In the absence of ADC JJ Swan, DCM George Allan submitted a report of the proceedings at annual meeting of Cub Council on 8th September 1933. The report, a detailed copy of which was left in Secretary’s hands for records, covering constitution, appointments, competition rules, and finance, was approved with the exception of the finance section, which was remitted to Finance Committee to consider and to report.

Rover Council

RL E .Salmon, reporting on Rover council meeting, dated 25th September 1933, stated first meeting of Scouters club and would take the form of a “meeting night” on 18th October, 1933, commencing at 7:45 PM.

A Rover week-end conference at Seafield, was being arranged for on 25th/26th November, 1933. As the badminton club had use of hall on Wednesdays and Saturdays, it was left to Lets committee to come to some arrangements to accommodate the Rovers and the club.

The request for Rovers to deal with own finance was remitted to Finance Committee to consider and report.

Concerning the constitution of the council, Mr Salmon remarked that it was on similar lines to the Cub Council.

The office bearers were the same as last session.

Everton

ADC Jas. Dally intimated that Everton Hut had been repainted: and that the shelter adjoined enjoining had been hooped.

Warrant application. S Thompson 52nd troop

An application for CM's warrant, by S Thompson of 52nd group, was approved.

County Executive

The chairman stated that County Executive had met on 13th September, principle business discussed being

a) County Flag- conditions to be same as last year.

b) county conference of Scouters to be held at Greenock on 4th November, 1933. Charge of 1 shilling (termed registration fee) to cover eatables etc - social committee of this Association to arrange for the tea.

c) annual meeting of county to be held in the beginning of December of this year.

d) Wood Badge training Courses to be arranged for at Milliken Park, provided sufficient names come forward.

Kelvin hall (1934) exhibition

Details were intimated concerning the 1934 Kelvin Hall Exhibition.

Open Air Services

The Secretary was instructed to thank the various parties who had attended the open air services on 17th September.

Mr Craig Professional Player

A request for use of hall, by a Mr Craig, a professional tennis and badminton player, was submitted to finance committee.

BB supper

District Commissioner HW Butter was appointed representative to attend Boys Brigade supper on 10th October, 1933

Executive Meeting

October 24th, 1933, was fixed for next meeting of Executive Committee.

Colin Finnie, junior, chairman

24th October 1933

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 26th Sept., 1933, at 9.15 p.m.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assist. District Commissioners Colin Finnie Jr, and Jas. Dally; Messrs J. Hume, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secy.

Assistant Dist. Commissioner Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Mr Gale

The Chairman intimated Mr Fred Gale had met his Scout Shop accounts for 10/6, and also paid 10/- in connection with Rover dance.

Correspondence

A letter from Messrs Neil Clerk and Murray, requesting Association accounts (to 5th April 1933) for income tax purposes, was left with the Chairman.

New heating boiler

The Secretary was instructed to write Messrs McEwing accepting terms of quarterly payments in connection with the installation of the new heating boiler.

Account

Messrs Ellerman Duplication Company’s account for £1.10.6d was recommended for payment.

Unemployed Centre

It was stated Mrs Hill's account had been met, and, an allowance of 6/8 had been made by that firm on the return of the Centre’s Cobbling Tools.

Mr Craig- Let

It was agreed not to let the hall to a Mr Craig, professional tennis and badminton player, who had proposed conducting tennis and badminton classes.

Rover weekend conference 25th-26th November

As the western badminton club met on Saturdays, the District Commissioner agreed to approach the club re giving up the hall on 25th November, 1933.

Colin Finnie Jr chairman

24/10/33.

**At Greenock and Within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 17th Oct., 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; A.D.C’s Colin Finnie Jr, and Jas. Dally; Messrs. Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Accounts

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Jms T Crawford Elliot (Bd room table ) £1.10.0d

Electricity Department (May to October) £2.14.1d

Gas department (May to October) 12.5d

Jas Tennant (repairs to piano) 3.9d

J McGilvray (general hardware) £2. 4.10d

Secretary’s accounts (October) 3.0d

Rover weekend course 2nd /3rd Sept. additional 1.6d

Correspondence

A letter submitted from Scout Shop, London, dated 6 October, 1933, regretted closing of Association Shop, and stated that account was clear.

Quotations from the Pipene Fire Extinguisher Company were allowed to lie on table. The secretary to inform company that ADC J. Dally had this matter in hand.

Lets - Trinity Church

The Chairman agreed to interview Mr Roger of the Trinity Church concerning the 59th group and their Seafield Hall let.

Sea Scout troop

In connection with the formation of a Sea Scout Troop, it was agreed to allow Mr Robert M Blair of 16 Columba St Greenock, the use of room, immediately below the scouters’ room, free of charge, until end of November 1933, when his application would be reconsidered.

Cub Council

The use of the Scouters room was granted as formerly, to the Cub Council for one Friday per month. On other occasions, applications to be made in the usual manner.

57th crew

The 57th Rover Crew’s application for use of room in basement (Small Rover Den) formerly occupied by 22nd Crew, was granted to them for two nights a week, at a charge of 1 shilling per night.

Western Badminton Club

As a tournament had been arranged for the 4th November, 1933, the Badminton Club had enquired whether or not the scouters conference could be altered to another date. After considering the possibility of the conference being held in the Scouters room, thus enabling the tournament to be proceeded with, it was found that this arrangement was impracticable, and the secretary was instructed to confirm what the club had already been informed, and also to state that 25th December 1933 and 1st January 1934 were alternative dates at the club's disposal.

Rover Dance, October 1932

Further to the Rover dance, 1932, it was learned that small amounts from various parties concerned would meet Messrs Brown’s account for £1.15.10.

Several matters had yet to be cleared up before this business could be finally closed.

Cub and Rover Finance

After a protracted discussion on Cub and Rover finance, the following points were agreed upon:

a) that the honorary treasurer purchased a Ledger for an improved system of book-keeping.

b) that the Cub and Rover councils appoint treasurers who are to be termed Cub and Rover Council treasurers, thus distinguishing from the Association’s.

c) that the Cub and Rover Council treasurers receive all monies from their Councils and pay them to the Association treasurer who shall keep individual section accounts.

d) that the councils have permission to spend up to their credit with association treasurer; and

e) that any amounts over and above their credit must be applied for.

Colin Finnie, junior, chairman.

24/10/33.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 24th October, 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assist. Dist. Comms., Colin Finnie, Jr, Duncan N. Holmes, Colin R.D. Brown, J.P. Campbell and Jas. Dally; Dist Cubmaster Geo. Allan; Dist R.S.L. Thos Arthur; R.L. Ernest Salmon; Messrs J. Hume, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer, and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Apologies

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of ADC Arthur Lyle and Mr Colin Finnie Sr.

Minute of meeting

The minute of meeting, dated 26 September 1933 was submitted. After adding “The resignation of Miss McKellar, Cubmaster for 52nd Group was accepted, the Secretary being instructed to thank Miss McKellar for her Services”, the minute was adopted on motion of DCM George Allan, seconded by ADC Duncan N. Holmes.

Minutes of Finance Committee

The minutes of meetings of Finance Committee, dated 26 September and 17th October 1933 were read and confirmed on motion of ADC Colin Brown, seconded by DRSL Thomas Arthur.

Armistice parade

On ADC Colin Brown introducing the Armistice parade, owing to the public publicity committee not having met the month, ADC James Dally moved, “that a Hall service be held, and then a parade to the memorial and back again for dismissal”. RL E. Salmon seconded. ADC JP Campbell moved as an amendment, “that no service be held, only a parade”. ADC Colin Brown seconded. The amendment was carried by 7 votes to 4.

The following details were agreed upon:

Date: Sunday 12th November (alternative date 19th November)

Assemble: George Square at 2.00 p.m.

Move off: Cubs at 2.15 p.m. Scouts at 2.30 p.m. and Rovers immediately afterwards.

At Park: Parade to line up on pathway in front of memorial, with Band on right. Ceremony: Band will play “Flower o’ the Forest”.

District Commissioner to “lay on” wreath.

Last Post - 2 minutes silence - reveille.

The King.

Move off: Band head parade through park into Lyndoch St and proceed to South St

for dismissal.

Supporters committee

ADC Brown intimated that his supporters meeting on Tuesday 17th October, 1933, had been very poorly attended, and was of the opinion that this idea should be dropped.

Social Committee – Annual Social

RL Ernest Salmon reported the issue of the annual social tickets, fixing up of Band, and catering arrangements under way. A buffet was to be run by the Cubmasters. All cash and ticket returns were to be made by 17th November 1933. The meeting agreed upon extending invitations to the Boys Brigade; The Girl Guides; Association President and Vice Presidents; Toc H; and Mr and Mrs Arthur Mene of Inverkip.

Toasts to be given at social were:

The King: Proposer, Association Chairman.

The Chief Scout: Proposer Lieutenant Colonel D Patterson, Reply The DC.

The Association: Proposer Ex Provost NM Brown, Reply Ryrie Orr Esq

The Provost and magistrates: Proposer ADC JJ Swan, Reply Councillor J. Morrison

Our Guests: Proposer Rev. D. Troup, Reply B.B. Representative.

Cub council

The Chairman submitted a report of the Cub Council meeting, dated 6th October, 1933, which was confirmed.

The Rules of Cub football competition were submitted to publicity committee.

Correspondence

Further details of Kelvin hall Exhibition, 1934, were submitted in a letter, dated 12th October, 1934, from the County Secretary.

Change of registration 57th group

The change of registration, from controlled to open, of 57th group, was approved on motion of ADC James Dally, and seconded by ADC DM Holms.

Warrant Application

The following warrant applications were approved:

Miss Janet T McKillop as Cubmaster of 86th group

Miss Jessie Mitchell as Assistant Cubmaster of 86th group

William Gilliland as group scoutmaster of 57th group.

The following applications were sent back for references from persons outside of the Scout movement:

Miss Rebecca McNeil as 57th group ACM

Archibald Ritchie as 59th group SM

Miss Ian Cameron as 59th group CM

Resignation - Miss Struthers 86th Group

The resignation of Miss. Struthers, who was unable to find time to fulfil duties as Cubmaster of the 86th Group, was accepted. The Secretary was instructed to thank Miss Struthers for her services.

Typewriter

Reported that typewriter belonging to association required repairing. Agreed to repair.

Annual meeting

The meeting agreed that the report of the District Commissioner, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer, be moved for adoption as one. Also agreed to request Ryrie Orr Esquire to move adoption.

District Officers’ Budget

DCM George Allan presented a DCM’s hat badge to the Association.

As the Association already possessed a DSM's hat badge, the chairman intimated he would donate DRLS’s badge.

The meeting greatly appreciated these gifts.

District Officers

As district officers would be appointed at the annual meeting, and in view of the fact that the present officers did not give up office until 31st December, it was agreed that both old and new officers attend executive meetings until that date, but only the old members to have voting powers.

Funds

The treasurer intimated a credit balance of £15.17.5½ d at 30th September 1933. The meeting was of the opinion that this was a very satisfactory balance.

Executive Meeting

It was agreed that executive meet at 7.15 p.m. on Tuesday, 31st October 1933, to pass the minutes of this meeting.

Colin Finnie. Chairman

31/10/33

**At Greenock and Within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 24th October, 1933, at 9.30 p.m.**

**Being meeting of Finance Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; A.D.Cs Colin Finnie Jr, and Jas. Dally; Messrs. J. Hume, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secy.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Hot water pipes

It was agreed not to move meantime concerning an estimate of £6.10/- from Messrs D. McEwing, Greenock, for fitment of hot water pipes to wash hand basins and kitchen sink.

Badminton Club

An application for use of Scouters’ room, on Saturday 28th October 1933, by the badminton club, was granted.

Hall Clock

It was agreed to have the Hall clock repaired at a cost of 2/6d.

Everton

Intimated that the Daily Record had gifted a Mountain View Indicator, the \*avi\* for it to be built by the Association. The arrangements were left with the District Commissioner.

Coal and Coke

Agreed that D.C. order supply of coal and coke for the new boiler.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

31.10.33.

**At Greenock and Within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 31st October, 1933, at 7.15 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

D.C., A.Lyle, C. Brown, C. Finnie Jr, C. Finnie Sr., Geo Allan, Wm Gale, E. Salmon, J. Hume, D.M. Holmes, A. Rutherford

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Minutes of meetings

The minutes of meetings of the executive and finance committees, dated 24th October 1933, were read and confirmed on motion of Mr G Allan seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Colin Finnie, junior, Chairman

31/10/33

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 31st October, 1933, at 7.30 p.m.**

**Being Annual Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

Ryrie Orr, Esq. M.A., President; Rev. Douglas Troup, M.A., Vice President; H.W. Butter Esq. District Commissioner; Colin Finnie Jr, A.D.C. for Training; Colin R.D. Brown, A.D.C for Scouts; Arthur I. Lyle, A.D.C. for Scouts; William Shearer, ADC for Rovers; Duncan N Holmes, ADC for Rovers; James Dally, ADC for camping, Thomas Arthur, DRSL; George Allan DCM; Colin Finnie, senior, Honorary badge secretary; Walter Scott, County Secretary; Miss Margaret Brown, District Staff Captain, representative of Girl Guides; Ronald K. Brew, Captain, representative of Greenock Battalion of the Boys Brigades; Mr Jas Hume; & representatives from following groups, 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 38th, 57th, 59th, 52nd and 86th.

Attending message William Gow, Hon. treasurer, and A. Rutherford Hon Secretary

Chairman. Colin Finnie Jr. Esquire in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants

Warrants were presented to the following: ADCs Colin Finnie, junior, and Colin R.D. Brown; GSM's, Rev. J.M. McNaughton and William Gow; and RL Chas. N. Park.

Apologies

Apologies for absence or intimated for from Arthur Messe, Esq, Assistant County Commissioner, and James A. Morrison, Esq. Association Vice President.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of special meeting of Association, dated 27th April, 1933, was submitted, and, on motion of DRSL Thomas Arthur, with ADC Arthur Lyle, seconding, was approved.

Reports

Reports were submitted by the District Commissioner, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer. Moving the adoption of the reports, the President, Mr Ryrie Orr, stated he had pleasure in doing so, and was of the opinion that district affairs had taken a decided turn for the better. While confident of further progress, he appealed for continued loyalty, and to all members to ‘take off their coats; and ‘to get doing.. On ADC Colin Brown, seconding, the reports were adopted.

Election of Office Bearers

Office bearers appointed for the ensuing year were:

President: Ryrie Orr, Esq. M.A.

Vice Presidents: Ex Provost N.M, Brown, Col. D. Paterson DSO, Councillor James A.

Morrison, and Reverend Douglas Troupe, M.A.

Chairman: ADC Colin Finnie, junior

Vice Chairman: ADC Colin RD Brown

Honorary Secretary: A. Rutherford

Honorary Treasurer: William Gow

Honorary Badge Secretary: Colin Finnie, senior

Camp Skipper: ADC James Dally

District Cub Master: Edward Beaven

District Scout Master: Samuel Faulds

District Rover Scout Leader: Thomas Arthur

Election of Committee

Elected to executive: CM George Allan, RL Ernest Salmon, and Messrs Colin Finnie, senior, (as honorary badge secretary) and J. Hume.

Finance: DC HW Butter, Colin Finnie, junior, Jas Dally, (finance, property, Everton) and Mr. J Hume. Ex officio William Gow, Hon treasurer A. Rutherford, Honorary Secretary (Power to spend up to £5; and to add to committee when necessary)

Publicity: Ed Beaven, A. Lyle, S Faulds, JP Campbell, T Arthur, A Ritchie, and William Gilliland.

Badges: Colin Finnie senior, E. Beaven, and J. King.

Social: JJ swan, E Salmon, and Miss Jean Tulloch

Cubs Cub Council

Rovers Rover Council

Appointment of Representatives

County Scout Council: S Faulds and A. Rutherford (2).

Scottish Headquarters: The three district officers and honorary secretary

Co option of representatives of other organisations

It was agreed to Co-opt representatives of the Girl Guides, Boys Brigade and Toc H.

Addresses:

County Secretary

Addressing the meeting, Mr Walter Scott, County Secretary, further emphasised the Association’s Secretary's remarks concerning delay of annual census returns. The County Conference of Scouters, on 4th November 1933, was expected to be a success as he had had 72 returns and promises of many more.

Kelvin Hall exhibition was to \*\*\*\* for eight days, sometime in the spring of 1934, and the assistance of all Scouters and Scouts was required to make it a success. For the past season, he had received 50 camp reports, all of which were good.

Miss Brown

On behalf of the Girl Guides, District Staff Captain Miss Margaret Brown was something association wished the Association every success; and stated she was very pleased indeed to be able to take back to her Commissioner such good reports of the past session.

Mr Ronald Brew

The Boys Brigade representative, Mr Ronald K. Brew, stated he took it as a sign of our good fellowship having a BB representative at the meeting, and hoped this spirit would continue. There was no competition he stated, between the movements as they had one object - the welfare of the youth of Greenock. He also affirmed that the BB would welcome a joint meeting for the discussion of various juvenile problems. The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Colin Finnie, junior, Chairman

30th October 1934

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 28th November, 1933, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; Assist. Dist. Commissioners, Colin Finnie Jr, Wm. Shearer, Duncan N. Holmes, and Arthur I Lyle; D.R.S.L. Thos. Arthur; Dist. C.M. Edward Beaven; R.L. Ernest Salmon; and Messrs Colin Finnie, Sr, Hon Badge Secy, Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer, and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants

The District Commissioner presented the following with warrants: William Shearer, ADC for Rovers; James P Baxter, GSM of 3rd group; and Bernard Reiley, SM of 89th group.

Scouting Strength

From this year's census returns, it was reported that number of groups total 22, a decrease of 5 compared with last year; total of all ranks, 1142, a decrease of 302. The number of First Class Scouts in the district was 8, representing a percentage of 1.8.

Reports- Finance

For the Finance Committee, the chairman reported:

Sea Scouts

Sea Scout troop had been granted further use of room in basement until end of December 1933 free of charge.

59th Group

Concerning the 59th Group, the Secretary had been instructed to write Trinity Church stating inability to grant rent reduction for use of large hall.

Accounts recommended for payment

Hall rent £20.0.0

J. McKelvie (typewriter repairs) £1.2.6d

McAllister & Fyfe (paint for platform) 9.0

James Laing (Wreath, Armistice) £1.0.0

J.A. Simpson (Coal etc) 15.0

Greenock Telegraph (annual Mtg advert) 4.0

M. Hodge & Son (Luis. For \*\*\*\* \*\*\*) 12.6

A Webster (Hire of Car to Pirrie Park) 6.0

Secretary’s account 6.0

Lamp (broken in hall during Rover conference)

Kirkland (Dec. 1932 wood for platform) 2.0

Cash received

Cash Received from:

Western Badminton club (rent) £15.0.0

Ex Provost N.M. Brown (donation) £1.0.0

Rev. D Troupe (donation) 10.0

Proceeds from ‘Brown’ lecture £1.14.2

County Scouters Conference 15 .00

1932 Rover Dance

Agreed to meet Brown’s (Bakers) account (£1.15.10d in connection with Rover dance October 1932) as money now recovered amounted to £1.12.2d leaving the balance of 3/8 to be met by the Association.

Letter Headings

Agreed to order 500 letter headings at 12/6 from Mr lamont, Printers, Greenock.

Training Expenses

Agreed to again allow the ADC for training a grant for reasonable training expenses.

Coke and Coal

Arrangements were made for the District Commissioner to obtain tenders for coal and coke from Messrs Simpson, McKellar and the Greenock Corporation. In the case of the Corporation, enquiries to be made whether or not it would be cheaper to do own carting of coke, or leave it to the Corporation.

Heating

The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Gale that when only scouters room in use, heat must be shut off from large Hall, and vice versa.

The Finance Committee report was confirmed.

Auditor's suggestion

A list of suggestions by the auditors, a copy of which is in the hands of the Secretary, and upon which the finance committee were not in entire agreement, was submitted. General opinion was expressed on this subject, and although the meeting could not see advantages to be obtained from the valuation of Everton, the entire list was approved on motion of DCM Edward Beaven, seconded by Mr Colin Finnie, senior.

Publicity Committee

DCM E. Beaven, reporting on the publicity committee meeting, stated that the committee were of the opinion that another endeavour should be made to get a supporters committee going. This was agreed upon; the publicity committee to interview the GSM's to obtain names of supporters, after which, the secretary was to circulalize for a meeting to be held in 32nd group’s Hut, which was placed at the committee's disposal by Mr William Shearer. First object of new committee to promote a cake and candy sale.

Social Committee report

On behalf of the social committee, RL Ernest Salmon stated annual social would clear itself with a probable profit of 6/-. A vote of thanks was accorded the committee for their good work. The committee was warmly complemented for the splendid catering at the County Scouters conference in Seafield on 4th November.

Badge Committee

Mr Colin Finnie, senior, stated he had not received returns for GSM's, re annual badges, and requested notices to be published in Scout Notes. Agreed to.

Cub Committee

The report of Cub Council meeting, dated 17th November 1933, a copy of which is in hands of the Secretary, was submitted and approved.

Permission was granted to Cub Council to hold their annual toy and Christmas parade on 17th December 1933. The Secretary to arrange for magistrates’ permission.

Rover Committee

The Rover Council report dated 13th November 1933, a copy of which is also in the Secretary’s hands, was submitted and approved.

Training

The Chairman reported a very successful Rover conference on 25th /26th November 1933.

Mr Colin Finnie, junior, ADC for Training, intimated the following proposed training courses (provided sufficient number numbers come forward])

a) Pioneer Badge course (12 boys at least )to be held in Seafield Hall the third Tuesday of each month from January to June 1934. Approved.

b) Scouters training course (18 Scouters or Rover Scouts likely to take up warrants) to be held the second Tuesday of each month from December 1933 to March 1934. Approved and use of Scouters room granted for this purpose. Commence on 12th December.

c) PL Council, provided GSM's agree. To be run one Saturday of each month. After first meeting, the boys to decide on what lines council should be run. Approved.

Wood Badge. Reported that eight names had been entered for wood badge course. At present two members were taking part one

Warrant Application

The following warrant applications were submitted:

A. Ritchie- scoutmaster, 59th group- approved.

Thomas D Brown- as R leader- 59th group - as he was under 30 years, and at request of the DC, agreed to hold up application meantime.

D Graham- as ARL of 59th group - age (23 years) prevents issue of warrant

George D Allan- Cubmaster, 3rd group- approved.

Correspondence

Reported telegram having been sent to Sir Hugh Shaw Stewart, offering congratulations on the occasion of his golden wedding. Sir Hugh suitably replied.

A letter, dated 28th October 1933, from Messrs Neil Clark and Murray stated ‘income tax assessment on £5 profit from letting of Hall had been reduced to ‘nil’ by submission.’ The Secretary was instructed to thank Mr 's Neil Clark and Murray for their good services.

Audit

The Secretary was also instructed to thank Messrs JM Ken Lindsay for their services in connection with audit of Association accounts.

District RSL

The meeting expressed appreciation of ADC Duncan N. Holmes’ gift, to the association of a DRSL's hat badge, which was then presented by the District Commissioner to Mr Thomas Arthur, the DRSL.

County Councils Annual Meeting

Reporting an annual meeting of the County Council, held on 27th November, 1933, ADC Duncan N Holmes stated Mr Robert Goudie had retired as County Commissioner. Mr Arthur Muir had been proposed for this position.

Headquarters were pleased with the good reports from this District, and had expressed appreciation of the District Commissioner’s work. There were two alterations in County Executive, but no change in Greenock’s representatives.

Mr Holmes was thanked for his report.

Margaret Street Property

Referring to an inquiry, at a previous meeting, the Chairman intimated he had interviewed Mr Ryrie Orr concerning the Margaret St property, and had learned that this property had been handed over by our late South African friend to the following trustees: Colonel D Patterson, Ryrie Orr and Hector G Russell. Messrs. Neil, Clerk and Murray had taken out an annuity on life of donor, and so far, profits from the property were paying off this annuity. Should the factors report in June 1934, prove satisfactory, the annuity would be wiped off, and then, and only then, would the Association be at liberty to apply for funds, to the trustees. Other than this, the Association has nothing to do with the property.

Colin Finnie, Chairman

26th December 1933

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 26th December, 1933, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

Dist. Commissioner H.W. Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Jas Dally, J.P. Campbell, D.N. Holmes, A.J. Lyle, and Jas.J. Swan, D.C.M. Ed Beaven, R.L. E. Salmon; C.M. Geo. Allen; Messrs Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer, J. Hume and Colin Finnie Sr.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of warrant

The D.C. presented the following with warrants:

ADC James P Campbell; ASM M. Paterson and ASM E Brockwell.

Death of ex Provost Brown

The meeting expressed regret on the death of ex Provost NM Brown, and agreed a letter of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Brown.

Apologies

Apologies for absence intimated from DRL Thomas Arthur, ADC William Shearer, and Mr. A Rutherford, Honorary Secretary.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of meeting, dated 28th November, 1933, was read and approved on motion of ADC Duncan N. Holmes, seconded by CM George Allan.

Groups 8th and 9th

Mention was made of 8th and 9th groups, and it was stated the matter of the 8th was in the hands of the District Commissioner, and the 9th was in abeyance.

Finance Report

Everton

Reporting for Finance Committee, the Chairman stated it was agreed to fix 19th May for fixing the mountain view indicator at Everton. Statement from providore was satisfactory.

Coke and coal.

Agreed that coal and coke contract be delayed for a month, and arrangements for this were left in hands of the DC, who would also attend to matter of weekly supplies in meantime.

Accounts

The following accounts were recommended for payment:

Brodie and Hall 7.6

Hanna £1

Simpson £1.10.0

McKellar & Co. £2.5.6

Secretary 3.9

I.H.Q. 8. 3

Gas £1.2.3

Electricity £6.6.1

Corporation for lamps 18.0

T. Black and sons 4.0

The executive also agreed to \*a\*s rates for payment.

Shop

The sum of 6/4 from 89th and £3.11.0 was intimated as paid.

Lets

Intimated receipt of £2 from Girl Guides training committee, as also £7 from Trinity Church, who stated they had given up use of Hall. Sea Scouts had also given up room. Use of hall granted to junior instruction centres: and Scouters room to 1st Greenock Rangers at a charge of 5/-. Balance handed over from SoC amounted to 7/6d.

The Finance Report was confirmed on motion of ADC JP Campbell.

Publicity Committee

Assault at Arms and Evening Cruise

Publicity Committee reported assault at arms and evening cruise were proposed, and it was agreed that matter of cruise be left in hands of Secretary to write Messrs Williamson and Co for the TS Queen Mary in June.

Gala

After discussion, the swimming gala was left in the hands of Mr Swan to arrange.

Supporters Committee

Reported that a meeting of the supporters committee was being called in January.

Competitions

Victory Trophy in abeyance; Public Service Vase- April; Fire trophy to be held at Everton, date to be fixed, and competition to consist of a Hut or forest fire.

Scout Week

Scout week to consist of one day and Drumhead Service, was remitted to committee.

RS concert

Rover Scout concert, suggested for February 1934, agreed upon, moved ADC James Dally, seconded Mr. J Hume.

Social Committee

Nothing further to report meantime.

Badge Committee

The matter of annual badges was to be left over for another month, and a note inserted in Scout Notes that the Badge Secretary was to be informed of all Scouts holding annual badges.

Cub Committee

Report of Cub Council approved on motion of ADC James Dally, seconded Mr. J Hume.

Rover Committee

Rover Council intimated a Burns night on 25th January 1934.

Training class agreed on.

County Report

Levy

County report made and the question of levy was discussed, and unanimously agreed to write and state that we do not agree to the basis of levy, but would endeavour to pay the £7.11.0 as an Association.

First class Journey

The First Class journey was discussed and it was agreed that nothing be done in the way of printing envelopes.

57th Group

57th group noted as being an open group.

Resignation

The resignation of Rev. HT.a. Treble, GSM of 39th group, was accepted, and vote of thanks for his services agreed upon.

Warrant Application

The following warrant applications were approved:

GSM A Gallacher of 39th Group

SM W Dean of 39th Group

ASM G Livingstone of 39th Group

and CM Miss S Harris of 39th group

but that of Miss Muddy, as ACM of 39th was refused meantime as being under age.

Special Meeting

A special meeting was called for 16th January 1934 for consideration of handbook.

Colin Finnie, Chairman

30/1/34

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 16th January, 1934, at 8 p.m.**

**Being Special Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Jas. Dally, Colin RD Brown, Jas.P. Campbell and Duncan N. Holmes; D.SM. S. Faulds; D.C.M. Ed Beaven, D.R.L. Thos. Arthur; R.L. E. Salmon; C.M. Geo. Allan; Messrs Colin Finnie Sr. Hon. Badge Secretary, Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer, and A. Rutherford, Hon Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Handbook.

Following details submitted:

Title: “Scouty Methods”

Estimated probable cost of printing £32.8.0d.

Estimated receipt from 15 adverts £35.17.6d.

Approximate profit in view of above £3.9.6d

Suggested to obtain 2500 copies to sell at one penny each.

Adverts obtained to date- 5 representing £13. 10/-.

Adverts to canvas = 10 representing £22.7.6d

Various details agreed upon:

Outside colour:- Buff.

Honorary Editor: District Commissioner H.W. Butter.

Contents: Scout Law and Promises.

Office Bearers; Preface dealing with Cubs and Scouts; the various competitions, and rules and conditions relating thereto; details of William Millar scholarships; Scout Notes; and Everton Camp.

Full powers were granted the following Committee for the compiling and publishing of the handbook: District Commissioner HW Butter, ADC Jas. P Campbell, at ADC J.J. Swan.

Colin Finnie Chairman

30/1/34

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 30th January, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Colin RD Brown, John Dally, Jas. J. Swan, and Duncan N. Holmes; Dist. C.M. Edward Beaven, R.L. Ernest Salmon; C.M. Geo. Allan; Messrs Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; John Hume; Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Apology for Absence.

Apology for absence was intimated on behalf of ADC William Shearer.

Presentation of DCM Hat Badges.

The District Commissioner presented DCM Edward Beaven with the DCM’s hat badge.

Minutes of Meetings.

The minute of meeting, dated 26th December 1933, was read and approved on motion of ADC Jas. Daley, seconded by Mr. J Hume.

(8th Group.)

Reported question of 8th Group still under consideration.

The minute of special meeting, dated 16th January 1934, was read and confirmed on motion of C.M. George Allan, seconded by DCM Edward Beaven.

Reports- Finance.

Reported receipt of 30/- from Greenock and District Ornithological Society.

Let's.

Hall let to 2nd Company, the Girls’ Guildery [per Miss Love] for rehearsal and display

on 20th and 22nd March respectively. Secretary to inform Guildery and to request

donation for light and heat.

Hall granted for Cup Training classes on 23rd February 2nd and 9th March, 1934.

Scouters room granted for 16th February 1934, to 45th Group at charge of 10/-.

Agreed regular charge for Scouters room from 7 pm to 12 am, be 10/-.

Application by Cub Council for entry to Scouters room every Friday evening granted.

Accounts

Accounts passed for payment:

Rates £14. 3. 4d.

Mcgilverary (soap etc) 5. 3d.

McKellar (Coal) £ 4. 7. 0d.

Lamont (Letter Headings) 12. 6d.

Secretary 3. 2d.

“Scouter” (17 copies) £ 3. 16. 6d.

and 4 boards of wood for Everton, approximately 5/-.

Coal and Coke

Estimates for coal submitted:

McKellar - ”Nuts” 30/- and 32/- per ton.

Simpson - ”Nuts”. 29/- per ton.

Agreed the District Commissioner order one ton at 29/- for trial from Messrs. Simpson. Also order one ton of coke at 23/- from the Corporation Gas Works for cartage by Mr. Trial.

Fire appliances.

Reported ADC Jas. Dally’s interview with agent of Pyrene Company. Agreed to order 4

“Conquest” fire extinguishers at special price of 30/- each, for immediate delivery,

provided agreeable to defer payment of account for 3 months.

Cruise.

Intimated evening cruise to Tignabruaich pier, “Queen Alexandria” fixed for

Wednesday 13th June 1934.

Cycle clubs.

Agreed to invite Greenock Ramblers and RNTF cycle clubs to attend “Handing-over”

ceremony of View Indicator at Everton on Saturday 19th May 1934.

Whist tables.

Rockcliff Social Club per J. McPherson granted use of 25 whist tables for Wednesday

14th February 1934.

Repairs.

Secretary to write Factors and request repairs for chimney can, coal shuttle door and

hall roof.

Badges

Intimated profit of 3/4d from sale of badges.

Report confirmed.

Publicity Committee Report.

R.S. Concert Party.

DCM Edward Beaven stated arrangements for concert well underway, but experienced trouble with seating accommodation. Secretary to approach Wellpark Church for use of seats for 400. Permission was granted providore management for sale of chocolate.

Supporters Committee.

To further formation of a Supporters Committee, and also to endeavour to find out reason for the apathy among Scouters in the District, it was agreed to call a special meeting of all Scouters on Tuesday 20th February 1934 at 8 pm.

Scout Week.

In few of Cruise being fixed for 13th June, Scout Day was suggested for Saturday 16th June, and Drumhead Service for Sunday 17th June.

Badge Committee

Annual Badges.

The Badge Secretary, Mr Colin Finnie, senior, reported no response in connection with annual badges returns. Agreed the Secretary publish notice in “Scout Notes”, if returns are not made within one week from 6th February 1934, badges must be taken down.

Cub Committee.

The Cub Council meeting Report for January 1934 was submitted and approved. Copy retained for records.

Rover Committee.

Intimated training class to be held on 20th February 1934. In view of special meeting called for this evening, class to be held on another date.

“Burns Nicht” reported a success.

Swimming Gala.

Submitted interim report from convener of gala ADC James J Swan. West End Baths not available on 23rd March 1934, but date in April or May to be offered. Approved.

9th Group.

Registration forms of 9th Group submitted and approved.

“Commissioners Cup”.

Submitted a letter dated 24th January 1934 received by the District Commissioner from Mr Hector G Russell, in connection with the “Commissioner’s Cup”. Agreed to accept Cup and Rules of Competition. The Secretary to thank Mr Russell and to enquire if he be agreeable to the trophy being termed the “Joe Esplin Memorial Cup”.

County Flag Competition.

Submitted letter dated 4th January 1934 per County Flag Competition. Agreed District Elimination Competition be on same lines as County. Entries to be sent to Secretary by 15th February 1934. Examiners: Mr Marshall of Port Glasgow, who was to be requested to find an Assistant.

Toc H.

Reported Mr. Jas. Agnew, as representative of Toc H.

Greenock Infirmary.

Submitted letter of thanks received by the District Commissioner from Greenock Royal Infirmary for assistance given with the Children's Theatre.

Resignation – R.M. Blair.

The resignation of Mr. RM Blair, as ASM of 4th group was accepted. The Secretary to write thanking him for his services.

Warrant Spplications

Warrant applications of J Hendry as GSM and Charles S. Munn as ASM of 33rd group were submitted and approved.

Invites to Functions.

Agreed by 7 votes to 5 that all invitations to other organisations be sent to their Secretaries through the Local Association Secretary.

Hall Recesses.

ADC Colin Brown intimated all “Wall recesses” had been taken up, but only 4 had been completed or started. He was desirous of all panels being completed as soon as possible.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 27th February, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Jas. Dally, Duncan N. Holmes, Arthur I. Lyle, and Jas. J. Swan; D.R.S.L. Thos. Arthur; Dist. C.M. Edward Beaven, C.M. Geo. Allan, R.L. Ernest Salmon; Messrs Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; Jas. Hume; Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants.

Warrants were presented by the District Commissioner to the following: GSM William Gilliland; CM Miss Janet McKillop; CM S. Thompson; ACM Miss Julie Mitchell; and ACM Thomas Maitland.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of meeting, dated 30th January, 1934, was submitted, and, after the addition of “provided not let to another party” to the section referring to Cub council’s entry to Scouters room, was adopted on motion of ADC Jas Dally and seconded by Mr Colin Finnie senior.

Esplin Cup.

Intimated letter received from Mr. Hector G Russell who agreed to “Commissioner’s Cup” being known as “The Esplin Memorial Cup”.

County Flag

Reported no entries for County Flag Competition.

9th Group

Registration of 9th Group reported.

Cycle Clubs.

Intimated receipt of favourable replies from RNTF and Greenock Ramblers’ Cycle Clubs in connection with the ‘handing over’ of Everton View Indicator.

Reports - Finance

7th BB Company

Submitted application by Jas. Kerr of 7th Greenock BB company for use of hall on 28th March 1934. Unable to grant hall for this date, but 29th March had been offered as an alternative.

The sum of £2.10/- had been received from Mr. Kerr for a former let.

Leith BB

Reported application for use of hut at Everton by J. Lettam of Leith Boys Brigade, who had been advised to approach the Gourock Boys Brigade.

Girls Guildery No, 2 Company

A request from Miss Love of No. 2 Company of the Girls Guildery for an alteration of let of hall from 20th to 19th March 1934 was agreed to.

Pyrene Company.

Intimated granting of 4 months credit by Pyrene Fire Extinguisher Company.

RS Concert.

Proceeds from Port Glasgow Rovers concert amounted to £5. 16. 6d.

45th Group.

Ten shillings received from 45th Group for use of Scouters’ room.

Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment:

Messrs. Simpson (coal and coke) £2. 4. 0d

Electricity (December to February) £7. 3. 11d.

Gas 16.10d

J. Friel 14.0d

Secretary (postages etc) 1.8d

Everton.

On suggestion of the Camp Skipper, it was agreed that Everton Camp locker fees be payable in March instead of April. Use of lockers to be granted only if fees had been paid.

Also agreed to spend up to £1 for 8 G.T. basins to be obtained from a Port Glasgow firm.

Registration Fees.

Intimated to Groups’ registration fees were still outstanding.

Resident Hall Keeper.

Recommended that an “Enquiry” sub committee (District Commissioner HW Butter, ADC Colin Finnie Junior, and ADC Jas. Dally) go into the question of a resident hall keeper.

Cruises.

Provided the June evening cruise proved a success, it was proposed a repeat cruise be held in August.

Following a discussion on subjects of Resident Hall Keeper and of second evening cruise, the Finance Committee report was confirmed.

Publicity Committee Report

Supporters Club.

The convener DSM Ed Beaven reported no progress with Supporters Club despite the holding of the Scouter’ special meeting. On motion of ADC Duncan N Holmes, DCM Ed Beaven, supporting, it was agreed that Committee appoint 2 members to arrange for meeting in connection with a cake and candy sale and to publish agenda in Scout Notes.

Competitions.

Public Service Vase to be competed for in Seafield Hall on April 12, 1934. Examiner: Mr Sneddon.

Fire shield competition to be held on 26th May 1934.

Shannon Cup Competition to be held on 9th June 1934.

Scout Day and Drumhead Service.

Discussion of Scout Day details left over until next meeting.

Suggested that the Reverend Mr. Haywood of Ardgowan Methodist Church be invited to officiate at the Drumhead Service.

Report approved.

44th Group.

In reply to an enquiry, the meeting declared that 44th Group (Port Glasgow) was not eligible for the Public Service Vase Competition.

Badge Committee

Annual Badges.

The Hon. Badge Secretary Mr Colin Finnie, Senior stated only three groups (32nd, 33rd and 86th) had forward annual badge returns.

SHQ's Annual Meeting.

A general outline of Scottish Headquarters Annual Meeting in Glasgow was submitted by DCM Edward Beaven. The meeting agreed to payment of travelling expenses of the two representatives who attended the meeting.

Scouty Methods.

Intermediate estimated profit from advertisements in connection with Scouty Methods handbook would be £4 to £5.

Scouters Room.

In order to raise funds for painting of Scouters room, ADC James J Swan stated that a Concert was to be given by 32nd Scout Concert party in Mearns Street Hall on Wednesday 21st March 1934.

Gala.

Reported Gala application under consideration by Swimming Baths Committee.

Colin Finnie, Chairman

27/3/34

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 27th March, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Jas. Dally, Arthur I. Lyle, Colin R.D. Brown, J.J. Campbell and Jas. J. Swan; Dist. S.M. Samuel Faulds; Dist.C.M. Edward Beaven, R.L. Ernest Salmon; and Messrs Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; J. Hume; Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants.

The District Commissioner presented warrants to the following:

SM Archibald Ritchie, 59th Group

and CM George Allan 3rd Group.

Minutes of Meeting.

The minute of meeting dated 27th February 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of ADC Arthur Lyle and seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Finance Report.

Intimated receipt of donation of £1 from number 2 Company of the Girls Guildery, per Miss M.I. Love.

Reported receipt of letter of thanks from Rockcliff Social Club.

Accounts

Accounts passed for payment:

J. Friel 6.0d

Messrs. Baird (stationary) 3. 10d

Everton Indicator (magnetic north) 5.0d

and Secretary’s account 1.9d.

Cruise.

In connection with evening cruise, it was agreed to issue, with an accompanying letter, 25 adults and six children's tickets to each group.

Hall Keeper.

Going to a hitch with Medical Officer of Health, no report from Hall Keeper Enquiry Committee.

Valuation.

Intimated valuation of Seafield at £50 and of Everton at £40.

Reminder.

Agreed to send reminder to former subscribers to Association funds.

View Indicator.

Arrangement of programme for the handing over of Everton View Indicator was left with the District Commissioner and Assistant District Commissioner James Dally.

Memorial.

Memorial to the late ‘Joe’ Esplin was held over for discussion at a later date.

Seafield Let

Intimated Seafield Hall had been taken for another year.

Report confirmed.

Publicity Committee Report.

Reported Swimming Gala fixed for 18th May 1934.

No entries to date for Public Service Vase.

Cake and Candy Sale

Owing to lack of supporters, it was decided to hold a Cake and Candy sale (to be run by the Scouts) in Seafield Hall on Saturday 16th June 1934, and to be followed by a Flannel Dance in the evening.

Drumhead Service.

Intimated that the Reverend Mr. Haywood had agreed to officiate at the Drumhead Service on Sunday 17th June 1934.

Report confirmed.

Collection Boxes.

Following a discussion on collection boxes, ADC Colin R.D. Brown donated the sum of 9/- for the purchase of a quantity for the Association.

Badge Committee Report.

The Hon. Badge Secretary, Mr Colin Finnie, Senior stated annual badge holders now due for re-examination had been given until end of month.

Cub Committee Report.

Art Trophy

ADC James J. Swan on behalf of the Cub Committee reported Art Trophy had been won by 57th Pack.

Football Shield

Football Shield Competition still in progress.

Challenge Flag

Challenge Flag fixed for 12th May 1934.

Picnic

Cup picnic would probably be held on first Saturday in June.

Scouters’ Room

A Scouters Room Decoration Committee had been formed.

Training Classes

The training classes had been very successful and further courses had been arranged.

Report approved.

4th Cub Pack.

In view of the 4th Pack having been turned out of their usual meeting place, the District Commissioner stated he had allowed them to meet each Monday in Seafield.

Rover Committee Report.

Secretary

Rover Leader E. Salmon reported appointment of Mr. J Hume, Senior as secretary to the committee.

Concert Party.

A concert party was to be formed for next season.

Service.

The pulling down of a wall and the clearing out of the ditch around Seafield had been undertaken by the Rovers.

Report approved.

Scouty Methods

Intimated that the Scouty Methods handbook would be published by end of March. To date, 16½ dozen copies have been ordered by Groups.

Warrant Application J. Dunlop, 39th

Application for warrant by J. Dunlop, as an ASM of 39th Group was approved

Pioneer Badge.

The ADC for Training, Mr Colin Finnie, Junior, stated that in connection with the Pioneer Badge, examination for knots, lashings and splicings, had been fixed for 2nd June 1934. Examiner: Mr Archibald Pearson.

Let of Hall.

Use of the hall for Saturday 21st April 1934 was granted to the National Playing Fields Union. ADC Colin Brown to inform union.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 24th April, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr., Jas. Dally, Colin R.D. Brown, Arthur I. Lyle, J.J. Campbell, William Shearer, and Jas. J. Swan; Dist. R.L. Thos. Arthur; Dist. C.M. Edward Beaven; R.L. Ernest Salmon; GSM Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and Messrs. J. Hume; Colin Finne Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie Jr. in the Chair.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 24th March 1934 was submitted and confirmed on motion of ADC James Dally and seconded by ADC J J Campbell.

Finance Report.

\*Lets.

Applications for use of Seafield for season 1934-35 by Western (Greenock) and RNTF Badminton Clubs were tabled for one month.

The Hall was granted to Greenock Division of the Girl Guides for Divisional competition over 19th or 26th May 1934.

\*Hall Keeper Enquiry Committee.

No further developments. Awaiting MOH’s reply.

\*View Indicator.

General arrangements completed.

Failing the provision of programmes of events by the Daily Record, agreed to have 500 typed.

Agreed to the printing of 250 invitation cards by J. Stoner and Sons, Greenock. Half a dozen to be issued to each group for distribution to their outstanding supporters. Remainder for former subscribers to Association funds.

\*Subscription Reminder.

These reminders not yet issued.

\*Evening Cruise.

Distribution of tickets to Groups under way. 50 window cards, at a cost of 8/6 to be obtained from Messrs J. Storer and Sons, and issued, along with tickets, to shop keepers.

\*Funds.

£30 to hand from ‘After Care’ Committee.

Returns from sale of badges (quarter) 2/3..

\*Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment:

Alec Hanna (cartage) 19.0 d

J. Friel (cartage) 5.0dJ

J. McGilverary Everton & Seafield Reqents) 13.7d

McKellar and Co. (Coal, January) £3. 12. 6d.

J Simpson (Coal, January) £6 . 0. 8d.

McEwing and Sons (Boiler Installment) £10. 0. 0d.

Treasurer and Secretary 3.6d.

Delegates expenses to SHQ Mtg. 3.4d.

Total of £21. 17. 7d

\*Everton.

Requirements to be obtained for Everton: 2 cwts coke (from Seafield); 2 rolls felt; Two rolls paper (toilet); 2 cwts cement; 1 – 4lb felling axe; 1 – 2-handed saw; and 4 gallons tar.

On ADC J.J. Campbell’s motion, seconded by Mr. J Hume, report confirmed.

Correspondence - Greenock Total Abstinence Society's

Submitted an invitation to the Greenock Total Abstinence Society's Parade on Saturday 26th May 1934. Agreed not to take part and Secretary instructed to thank society for invite.

Application for Lady Alice Park.

Intimated receipt of letter from Town Clerk acknowledging application for Lady Alice Park, which would be duly submitted to Magistrates.

Chief Constable and Parade.

Intimated request from Chief Constable for Association to interview his Superintendent re parade arrangements on 17th June 1934, when magistrates’ permission had been obtained.

Publicity Committee.

\*Public Service Vase. No competition due to lack of entries.

\*Shannon Cup. Competition examiner: Mr McKechnie of Port Glasgow.

\*Drumhead Services.

To facilitate working arrangements, agreed Cubs assemble at cemetery gates.

\*Cubs, Scouts and Rovers swimming trophies

Agreed to award trophies, with medals, to the respective championship winners. Trophies to be held for one year. Conditions: one, two, and four lengths of Greenock West End Swimming Bath for Cubs, Scouts and Rovers respectively.

\*Cake and Candy Sale 16th June 1934.

Opening Ceremony at 3 o’clock.

Intimated offer for exhibitions of Gourock Scouts’ Kelvin Hall Exhibits. Accepted and Gourock thanked.

Intimated Miss McCallum 's offer of services as medium etc etc on a 50-50 basis, had been declined. Following discussion, and a motion to re-open matter with Miss McCallum, it was decided by Chairman's casting vote not to reopen negotiations. In view thereof, Committee to approach Mrs. *Ropers* of Gourock.

Badge Committee.

\*New Examiner.

Intimated Mr White as new examiner for Pathfinder’s Badge. The former examiner, Mr. Buchanan, had been thanked for his services.

Cub Committee Report.

Report read and confirmed, and copy filed with records.

Rover Committee Report

Report submitted and approved and copy filed with records.

Seafield Hall.

Hall granted to Rover Scout Concert Party for a rehearsal on Wednesday 2nd May 1934.

Pioneer Class Certificate.

Agreed District certificates be issued for Pioneer class.

Margaret Street Property.

The Chairman reported a further interview with Colonel D. Patterson. The annuity had now been cleared off, thus leaving future surpluses free for disposal to the Scouts of Greenock. £30 were to be paid to the Association in June 1934 and another £20 will be available in December. Following a discussion, it was deemed necessary that a copy of the Deed of Trust, or Trust Deed, as the case may be, should be procured for the enlightenment of the Association.

On the motion of the District Commissioner, a vote of thanks was heartily accorded the Chairman for the trouble he had taken in this matter.

Colin Finnie Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 29th May, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

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A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants

The following Scouters received their warrants from the District Commissioner: G.S.M. Alfred Gallacher, S.M. William Dean, C.M. Miss S. Harris and A.S.M. George Livingston, all of the 39th Renfrewshire, and ASM Chas. Munn of 33rd Renfrewshire.

Apologies for Absence.

The Chairman intimated apologies for absence from ADC's Jas. Dallyi and William Shearer.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 24th April 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of District CM E. Beaven, seconded by a ADC J. Campbell.

Correspondence.

Intimated receipt of letters granting Magistrates permission for parade, and use of Lady Alice Park for 17th June 1934.

Submitted letter dated 7th May 1934, intimating Australian Jamboree.

In connection with County communication dated 14th May 1934, the Secretary was instructed to reply stating the District would endeavour to meet by end of the Scout year the proportional contribution of £6.

Finance Report.

\*Lets Western Badminton Club.

In view of the shorter period of let of hall to the Western (Greenock) Badminton Club, agreed to a reduced rent of £25. Terms and conditions of let to be brought up to date.

\*R.N.T.F. Badminton Club.

A rental of £15 for let of Hall to the R.N.T. F. Badminton Club for one evening per week (Monday or Thursday 6 - 10 pm), from September to March was agreed upon.

\*Girl Guides.

Intimated alterations from 19th or 26th May 1934 to 9th June 1934 for Girl Guides Competition in Seafield.

\*Donation.

The Treasurer reported receipts of 1 Guinea from RL Scott Esq..

\*Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment:

Rent £20.0.0d

. Electricity £5.15.0d.

Gas 11.11d.

J. Storer & Sons (Indicator – Everton) 10.6d.

J. Storer & Sons (Cruise bills) 8.6d.

McGubbin - repair to outside light. £1.1.5d.

McEwing and Sons (2nd boiler install) £10.0.0d.

and Secretary 3/5d

making a total of £38.10.9d.

\*Pyrene Company’s Account

Concerning the Pyrene Company’s communications re payment of their account, the Secretary was instructed to draw to their attention the arrangement, with their local agent, for four months credit from date of delivery of extinguishers, and, as that period had not elapsed, the account was not due to be met.

\*Evening Cruises.

Further evening cruise arrangements intimated. Window bills and tickets distributed to shopkeepers etc. 5th Group Pipe Band to be engaged at approximately total cost of £2.

Dance band to be booked at £2.10.0d (plus tickets). Advertisement to be inserted in Telegraph. Boys with bicycles to further advertise Cruise. All tickets to be returned to Seafield on Tuesday 12th June. And two persons to dispose of tickets at Dunoon.

\*Subscription Reminder.

50 subscription reminders to be printed by Messrs J. G Storer and Sons.

\*Hall Keeper Enquiry Committee. Still awaiting M.O.H. reply.

\*Margaret Street Property.

Intimated receipt of £30 from Margaret Street property per Messrs Neil, Clerk and Murray.

\*Platform for Saluting Base.

Small wooden platform, 4’ x 2’ x 1½‘, to be obtained for use at Saluting Base for Drumhead Service parade, and further occasions.

Report confirmed on motion of District SM S. Faulds, seconded by ADC James J. Swan.

Publicity Committee Report.

\*Fire Trophy. No entries for this competition.

\*Shannon Cup. Agreed to no competition as only one entry for Shannon Cup. To encourage entries, agreed an ‘Exhibition Competition’ be given at some future date.

\*Cake and Candy Sale.

Further details of Cake and Candy Sales. 10 stalls and sideshows had been arranged for. Also Tea Room. ‘Sale of work’ advertising ribbon to be obtained at an outside cost of 10/-. Advertisement to be inserted in Telegraph. Radio gramophone to be installed in hall by Messrs Tennent, Music Sellers. Admission of 3d to be charged. Various people and firms had been approached for donations in kind.

\*Drumhead Service.

Cubs to leave cemetery gates at 2.25 pm. Scouts and Rovers to leave George Square at 2.30 pm. Labels for collection boxes to be obtained from Mr. J Storer and Sons. Intimated Roman Catholic troops would not be on parade.

\*Swimming Gala.

Baths’ Committee endeavouring to secure Scottish life-saving champion for display, and Glasgow Police polo team.

Agreed Captain Sillitoe be invited to take ‘Chair’ if polo team takes part.

Riley Orr Esq. to present prizes after each event. Invites to be sent to Chief Constable Christie, Arthur Muir esq. and each of the Vice Presidents. Small advertisement to be inserted in Telegraph.

Report confirmed.

Scouty Methods.

Mr Finnie Senior reported disposal of 27 dozen copies of the handbook. The Chairman expressed the executive's indebtedness to Mr Finnie for his good service.

Cub report. Report read and approved. Copy filed with records.

Rover Hike. Intimated Rover hike, weekend 23rd - 24th June 1934.

Warrant application

Agreed warrant application of Miss Ramsay as CM of 33rd Group be returned for references by persons outwith Scout Group.

Scout Accident and Sickness Insurance

Submitted prospectus of Scout Accident and Sickness Insurance. Agreed not to participate in their scheme.

Scout Notes.

Arrangements made for ADC Arthur Lyle to attend to Scout Notes.

Public Dance Licence.

No reply to date from Town Clerk per Public Dance Licence for 16th June. Failing this, dance to be held for Scouters and friends.

Deputy Camp Skipper.

After intimating resignation as Deputy Camp Skipper, R.L. Ernest Salmon was prevailed upon to carry on in that capacity until end of season.

Executive Meeting.

Agreed next executive meeting be held on 19th, instead of 26th June, 1934.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 19th June, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

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Apologies for Absence.

Apologies for absences were intimated on behalf of ADC James Dally and RL Ernest Salmon.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 29th May 1934 was read and approved on motion of ADC James J Swan, and seconded by ADC Arthur Lyle.

Finance Report.

\*Lets- Western Club.

Intimated Western (Greenock) Badminton Club had again leased Seafield Hall. Terms and conditions of Let had been brought to date and approved, and were to be forwarded to the Club.

\*RNTF Club.

Regarding RNTF Badminton Club, the Chairman stated nothing definite had been received, but expected acceptance of conditions of Let.

\*Cash.

In connection with Drumhead Services collection, reported receipt of £5. 7. 6d.

\*Accounts.

Accounts recommended for payment:

Pyrene Co £7 .0.0d.

Secretary 2.3d.

\*Evening Cruises.

Intimated estimated loss of £21 on Evening Cruise.

The following groups had still to forward cash - 5th, 10th, 22nd, 45th and 57th amounting to approximately £4.

As 1st, 33rd, 38th and 70th Groups had made no returns, involving 100 adults and 24 children's tickets, the Treasurer was to instruct these Groups that their accounts were to be paid on or before 23rd June 1934, and that in the event of no notice being taken, this matter was to be placed before their Church Committees.

Report confirmed on motion of Mr Colin Finnie, Senior and seconded by ADC William Shearer.

\*Sale of Work.

The Publicity Committee Convener DCM Edward Beaven reported a profit of £19. 10. 0d from Sale of Work.

Also reported the following groups had tendered no support, 1st, 3rd, 4th, 8th, 22nd, 88th and 89th. The 10th, 57th and 86th promised support, but ultimately did not take part.

Special thanks, stated the DCM, were due to 32nd and 52nd groups and to the Cub Council.

The meeting expressed warm appreciation of the excellent work of the Convener and Publicity Committee.

Cub Report.

\*Competitions.

Reported that 11th Pack had won Football Shield, 86th Pack the Beaven Sports Trophy and 45th Pack the Challenge Flag.

\*Training Camps.

Two very successful training camps had been held at Greenock on 26th / 27th May and 2nd/ 3rd June 1934.

\*Inverkip Picnic. The picnic to Inverkip had also been very successful.

Swimming Gala.

ADC James Swan reported a Swimming Gala profit of 15/-, with prospect of further cash to come from donations. Groups which had yet to make returns were 10th, 22nd, 38th and 57th.

88th Group.

On the District Commissioner stating the position of affairs of the 88th Group, the meeting concurred on motion ADC William Shearer, and seconded by ADC Arthur Lyle, with his decision of disbanding the Troop and Rover Crew and withdrawing GSM Duggan’s warrant.

Warrant Application

Chas. Donnachie’s warrant application as ACM of 88th Pack was submitted and approved.

Special Meeting.

In view of lack of support of the Scouters in the District, it was agreed to notify all warranted Scouters to attend a special meeting in Seafield on 4th September 1934 and also to inform them that non-attendance would mean cancellation of their warrants.

Executive Meeting.

Next meeting of the Executive was fixed for 28th August 1934.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 28th August, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Jas. J. Swan, Arthur I. Lyle, Duncan N. Holmes, Jas. P. Campbell, Colin R.D. Brown & Wm Shearer; and Dist. Cubmaster Edward Beaven; R.L. Ernest Salmon; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and Messrs Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; J. Hume; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 19th June 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of ADC James J Swan and seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Meeting 4th September 1934.

The District Commissioner stated, in reply to query raised by RL Salmon, that Conversazione and Tea, and Scouters Meeting on 4th September, were one and the same, and only tenor of letter had been altered with a view of procuring a good attendance.

The Secretary was instructed to recall invitation inadvertently sent to N. McAlister, late of 89th Group.

Correspondence.

Correspondence submitted: Letter, dated 23rd July 1934, intimating disposal of Ordinance Maps, by Ordance office.

Warning from Scottish Headquarters per destruction of monuments. To be submitted to Annual General Meeting.

Request, dated 31st July 1934, from Greenock ex Pensioners Federation, for boys to assist at Flag Day on 25th August. Secretary to write regretting inability to assist, as owing to holidays, letter came to hand too late.

Communication from Messrs. McAulay Bakers, dated 15th August 1934, on overdue account. As no definite information was to hand, the Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Jas. Dally Jr. for details.

Finance Report.

\*Lets

Western Club. Intimated Western Badminton Club had agreed verbally to revised terms and conditions of Let. The Secretary to obtain written confirmation.

Saint Mark’s Club. Agreed a rental of £14 be charged St. Mark’s Badminton Club for use of Hall on Tuesday evenings from 7.15 to 9.30 p.m.

After Care Committee. The Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Fred McLeod re re-taking of Seafield for this session.

County Council. Scouters room granted for meeting of County Council on 12th or 19th October 1934.

\*Evening Cruise.

Reported that shipping company had only charged for tickets actually sold i.e. £30. 7. 11d. As 12 pounds had already been paid, the Treasurer was instructed to forward cheque for balance and at the same time to thank the company for their generous consideration.

Cash was still due from 57th Group (Cardwell) 19/6, and 22nd Group £1. 17. 6d.

\*Cash.

Intimated cash received: Donation from jeweller £2.10. 0d; Badge Secretary 9/2d; Sale of Scouty Methods £1 .4. 7d; “Scouty Method” adverts £6. 3. 8d and subscription reminders to date £9. 10. 0d.

\*Accounts.

Accounts recommended for payment:

West Renfrew Motors 11.0d

Orr, Pollock and Co. £1. 6 . 0d.

J. McGilverary (Everton) £1. 16. 1d.

J. McGilverary (Seafield) 1.3d.

Storer & Co. (Subscription Reminders) 14.6d

Storer & Co. (Gummed labels) 10.6d

Storer & Co. (Programmes Everton) 6.6d.

J Friel (Everton) £1.10.6d.

Maxwell Robertson (Everton) 6.0d.

George Colleges (Everton) 1.4d.

Services and Sons (Parade) 8.0d.

Secretary 4.4d.

Treasurer 1.6d.

McEwing and Son (3rd Boiler install.) £10 0.0d.

Making a total of £17.17.6d.

\*Everton.

Requirements to be obtained: 3 lbs green paint, 2 gallons coal tar; and half a bag of cement for Indicator. Lime wash to be purchased for lavatories.

Report confirmed on motion of ADC William Shearer, and seconded by Mr Colin Finnie Senior.

Rover Report.

Submitted and approved on motion of ADC D Holmes, and seconded by ADC Colin Brown. Copy retained for records.

Seafield Panels

ADC Colin Brown to hasten completion of ‘Group Panels’ in Hall.

Camp Skipper.

Resignation of Mr. J. Dally as Camp Skipper submitted and reluctantly accepted. Secretary instructed to thank Mr Dally for his long and excellent service in this capacity.

Deputy Skipper, E Salmon to carry on until Annual meeting.

West End Baths.

Secretary instructed to thank Messrs Black, Cameron, and Campbell for use of Baths on 8th June 1934.

Everton.

Following complaints of loss of stoves at Everton, it was agreed leave to Acting Camp Skipper to see that only Group members be allowed in Group lockers. New regulations to be made regarding lockers at annual meeting.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman

25/9/34

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 25th September, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Wm Shearer, Jas. P. Campbell, Jas Arthur I. Lyle, Jas. J. Swan, and DN. Holmes; Dist. Cubmaster Edward Beaven; R.L. Ernest Salmon; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and Messrs. J. Hume; Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 28th August 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of ADC Jas. P Campbell, and seconded by ADC Arthur I. Lyle.

Finance Report.

\*Lets Western Badminton Club.

Reported Western Badminton Club had confirmed terms and conditions of Let.

Scouters’ room granted to this Club for their Annual Meeting on 26th September 1934.

\*RNTF Badminton Club.

Intimated RNTF Badminton Club had unfortunately not been able to carry out their project and consequently had given up Hall.

\*St. Mark’s Badminton Club.

Reported St. Mark’s Badminton Club had not accepted conditions of Let.

\*After Care Committee.

After Care Committee had again taken Hall. Conditions as formerly.

\*Girl Guides.

Scouters’ room granted to Girl Guides Examination Committee for 27th September 1934. Donation to be requested.

\*Ornithological Society.

The Greenock and District Ornithological Society which had applied for Hall for Saturday 15th December 1934 had been referred to the Western Badminton Club.

\*Tenders coal and coke.

Various tenders for coal and coke from local merchants had been considered. Agreed Messrs. Duncan Nicols be accepted.

\*Firewood.

Agreed J. Friel supply firewood as formerly.

\*Old Boiler.

Intimated offer of 25/- for old boiler in Seafield from Mr. Neil McAdam of Helensburgh. Agreed this offer be accepted.

Accounts.

Training 6.3.

Tar for Everton 1.0.

Greenock Telegraph - cruise advert 18.0

Contribution to County £6.0.0.

Treasurer 3.8

Secretary 5.2.

The above, amounting to £7. 14. 1d were recommended for payment.

\*Requirements. Following requirements to be obtained:

2 Tar brushes: Hasps and locks for lockers at Everton; Sand; And 500 official envelopes.

\*Hall Keeper.

In connection with appointment of a Hall Keeper, at a salary of £26 per annum, plus insurance, eleven applications had been received. Of these, three were likely persons for the position. Agreed powers be sought for appointing Hall Keeper.

Following discussion on Hall Keeper appointment, for which powers were granted, the report was confirmed on motion from the Chair, Rover Leader E. Salmon seconding.

Trustees Margaret Street Property.

The Secretary was instructed to write trustees of Margaret Street property for grant of £30 to meet Hall Keeper’s salary.

Mr F. Gale. The Secretary was also instructed to write Mr Fred Gale thanking him for his services as Honorary Caretaker.

Badge Committee

The Badge Secretary, Mr Colin Finnie Sr., reported total of 1019 badges had been issued during the year.

Cub Committee.

Report of Annual meeting of Cub Council dated 13 September 1934 was submitted and confirmed. Copy retained for records.

New rules of Cub Football Shield competition referred to Publicity Committee.

Resignation C.R.D. Brown

Resignation of ADC Colin RD Brown as and from 31. 10. 34 was intimated and accepted. Secretary instructed to thank Mr. Brown for his services.

County Executive Meeting.

The Chairman, reporting on County meeting, intimated Wood Badge week end courses for Cubs and Scouts were to be arranged for May 1935 provided sufficient numbers came forward.

The County Flag had been won by Barrhead. Next year's competition would take place some time during May.

In November 1934, the County Conference was to be held at Johnston.

Scouters Special Meeting 4/9/34.

The DC stated attendance at this meeting had been slightly better than in former meetings. The general feeling of the meeting inclined to the reverting to the monthly camp fire and Association meetings.

Meeting- Executive & Annual.

The next Executive Meeting, and the Annual Meeting, were fixed for the 23rd and 30th October, respectively.

Vice Presidents

The Secretary was instructed to invite the following to become Vice Presidents: Ex Bailie Miss Isabella Kerr, Lieutenant Colonel Walker Guy Shaw Stewart, Colonel HM Howison, Provost Bell, ex Provost Thomas Baxter, Chief Constable James Christie, Fred McLeod Esq. and JE Nicol Esq.

Otter Swimming Club.

Agreed the Association approach Mr J Miller in connection with the restarting of the Otter Swimming Club. ADC James J. Swan was appointed to act for the Association.

Thanks badge - Mr J Dally.

As a token of appreciation for services as Camp Skipper, it was agreed to present Mr. J Dally with a gold Thanks Badge. Presentation to be made at the Annual Meeting of the Association on Tuesday 30th October.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 23rd October, 1934, at 8.30 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; A.D.Cs., Colin Finnie Jr, Wm Shearer Duncan N. Holmes Jas. P. Campbell, Arthur I. Lyle and Jas. J. Swan; Dist. Cubmaster Edward Beaven; R.L. Ernest Salmon; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and Messrs J. Hume; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of Warrants.

The District Commissioner presented warrants to ASM J. Dunlop of the 39th Group and ACM Chas. P. Donnachie of the 88th Group.

Apology.

Apology for absence was intimated on behalf of the Honorary Badge Secretary, Mr. Colin Finnie Sr.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of meeting dated 25th September 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of ADC Jas Campbell, and seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Vice Presidents.

Reported the following had consented to become Vice Presidents: Ex Baillie Miss Isabella Kerr, Lieutenant Colonel WG Shaw Stewart, Colonel HM Hewison, Provost Bell, ex Provost Thomas Baxter, Chief Constable James Christie, and Fred McLeod Esq.

Rover Moot, Sweden 1935

Letter submitted dealing with 1935 Rover Scout Moot to be held in Sweden.

Finance report.

\*Lets Western Badminton Club and something SoC part SoC.

Intimated Western Badminton Club was prepared to give up Hall on 15th December 1934 to the Greenock and District Ornithological Society, provided Hall was granted to them on the afternoon of 25th December 1934 and 1st January 1935. Agreed Hall be let to the Bird Society; and the Badminton Club accommodated.

\*57th Group.

Agreed old Rover Den be granted to 57th Group on Monday evenings at a yearly rental of £2, 10/-.

\*4th Group.

At the request of the District Commissioner and in view of the 4th Group having lost their hall, the old Rover den was granted to the Group, free of charge for one night per week, for a period of six months.

\*Proposed Ladies Badminton Club.

Hall granted to a proposed Ladies Badminton Club per Miss Jean Paton on Monday evenings from 7 - 9 p.m. at a rental of five Guineas, for session ending 31st March 1935. Terms and conditions similar to those arranged for the RNTF Badminton Club.

\*45th group.

Scouters’ Room let to the 45th Group at a charge of 5/- on 23rd November 1934 from 8 pm to 12 midnight.

\*Scouters’ Room Renovation Committee.

Hall granted to the Scouters Room Renovation Committee for a dance from 8 pm to 2 am on 20th December 1934, provided no dubiety regarding the magistrate's permission.

\*Greenock Hockey Club.

Application for use of room as dressing accommodation by the Greenock Hockey Club not granted.

\*Hall Keeper.

Reported three applicants interviewed, but had not succeeded fixing up. Mr Fred Gale had been engaged provided all clear with the PAC and the labour exchanges. Unfortunately, difficulties had arisen and further progress was held up for one month.

\*Grant form Trust of Margaret Street.

Intimated receipt of letter and check for £15 from the trustees of the Margaret Street Property. Report to be submitted to the trustees after 12 months as to the success of the experiment of a paid Hall Keeper.

\*Accounts.

Accounts recommended for payment:

Messrs. Lamont (envelopes) 7.6d.

Greenock Corporation (electricity May- Oct.) £1.19.0d

Greenock Corporation (Gas 6 months) 7.8d.

W Orr & Co (Everton- wood) 18.0d.

Baird and Co (Plain Teffa paper – Trg) 1.3d

Thomas Black and Sons (Marquee- Everton) £2.0.0d

McAlister and Fyfe (Paint- Seafield lav) 6.6d.

Geo. College (Trg circulars) 4.9d.

Hall Keeper advert (Greenock Telegraph) 1.4d.

Thanks badge 16.0d

Secretary 8.2d

Amounting in all to £7.10.2d

Also recommended for payment, £20 for Rent of Hall, due 11th November.

\*Old Boiler.

Reported removal of old boiler; and receipt of 25/- from Mr N. McAdam of Helensburgh.

\*Cleaning materials - Seafield.

Requisition for cleaning material for Seafield, per Mr Gale granted.

\*Old Rover Den.

In connection with old Rover den, agreed gas radiator from Commissioners Den be installed, and painting and cleaning be carried out Estimated cost £3.2.6d (including installing of new small radiator in Commissioners Den). The sale of some scrap metal at Seafield would realise £1, thus leaving £2.2.6d to be met by the Association.

\*5th Pipe Band.

In view of default of obligation by 5th Group Pipe Band, the Secretary was instructed to write terminating their Let of Hall, and to remind them £12 was due for rent.

\*Insurance

Reported, owing to no reminder being received from the local agent, the fire insurance policy for Seafield Hall had lapsed. The Secretary instructed to write insurance company. Meantime, quotations to be obtained for new policy.

The report was confirmed on following amendment: “that the Greenock Hockey Club be granted use of room at a charge of 1/6 per Saturday afternoon used until end of January 1935, when Let would be reconsidered.”

Publicity report.

\*Cub Football Shield Rules.

District Cub Master Beaven reported rules had been agreed to on a majority vote. Exception had been taken to rule 12. Following discussion on rule 12, the report was confirmed.

Cub Committee.

Report of Cub Council meeting, dated 12 October 1934 was read and confirmed. Copy retained for records.

Warrant Applications.

Warrant applications of following Scouters were submitted and approved:

ASM AI Dunlop- 70th Group

ASM JB Hardie- 70th Group.

Annual Meeting Agenda.

Submitted draft agenda for the annual meeting, which, after minor adjustments was approved.

Financial Statement.

Also submitted financial statement, printed copies of which, along with auditors docket, to be distributed at Annual Meeting, but, if not, then ready to be forwarded to the various subscribers and to the Groups.

Sea Scouts.

Information of a Sea Scout Troop, with a limited membership of 9, was intimated by the DC. To date, 6 Scouts had been enrolled.

Armistice Parade.

Agreed parade be held on Armistice Sunday 11th November to Wellpark War Memorial.

Cubs leave George Square at 2.15, Scouts at 2.30.

Route: Nelson St, Newton St, Roxburgh St to the Wellpark. Return by Roxburgh St and Inverkip St for dismissal at cemetery gate. The Boys Brigade Brass Band to be invited. The Secretary instructed to forward details of parade to the District Scout Master.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 30th October, 1934, at 7.20 p.m.**

**Being Meeting of Executive Committee.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie Jr,; Wm Shearer; and Messrs J. Hume; Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minute of meeting.

The minute of meeting of the Executive Committee, dated 23rd October 1934 was read and confirmed on motion of ADC William Shearer and seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Colin Finney Junior, Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, on Tuesday, 30th October, 1934, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Annual General Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

Ryrie Orr, Esq. M.A., Hon. President; Rev. Douglas Troup, M.A., Hon. Vice President; H.W. Butter, District Commissioner; Colin Finnie, A.D.C. for Training; Arthur I. Lyle A.D.C. for Scouts; Jas. P. Campbell; A.D.C. for Scouts; William Shearer, ADC for Rovers; Duncan N Holmes, ADC for Rovers; Walter Scott, County Secretary; Ronald K. Brew, Captain, Representative of Greenock Battalion of the Boys Brigades; Jas. J. Swan, A.D.C. for Cubs; Thomas Arthur, DRSL; E. W. Salmon, Deputy Camp Skipper; Colin Finnie, Senior, Honorary Badge Secretary; J. Hume Esq.; and representatives of the following Groups, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th and 89th.

Attending A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of Thanks Badge - J. Dally.

On behalf of the Association, Mr Ryrie Orr presented a Gold Thanks Badge to GSM James Dally as a token of appreciation for services rendered as Camp Skipper.

Apologies.

Apologies of absence were intimated from Arthur Muir, County Commissioner; GSM William Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and J Agnew Esq., Representative of Toc-H.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of Annual Meeting held on 31st October 1933 was read and approved on motion of DSM J Dally and seconded by ADC Arthur S Lyle.

Correspondence.

Letters were submitted from Scottish Headquarters relating to sale of Ordnance Maps; and spoilation of monuments.

Reports.

Reports for submitted by the District Commissioner and the Honorary Secretary. The Chairman, on behalf of the Hon Treasurer, submitted an abstract of accounts, printed copies of which had been distributed to members present.

On the motion of Mr Ryrie Orr, seconded by the Rev. Douglas Troup, the reports were adopted.

Election of Office Bearers.

The following were appointed office bearers of the Association:

Honorary President: Ryrie Orr, Esq. M.A.

Honorary Vice Presidents: Rev. Douglas Troup M.A.; Jas. A Morrison Esq.; Colonel D Patterson DSO; Ex Bailie Miss Isabella Kerr; Lieutenant Colonel WG Shaw Stewart; Colonel HM Hewison; Provost J. Bell; ex Provost Thomas Baxter; Chief Constable James Christie; and Fred McLeod Esq.

Chairman: ADC Colin Finnie.

Vice Chairman: ADC James J. Swan.

Honorary Secretary: A. Rutherford.

Honorary Treasurer: GSM William Gow.

Honorary Badge Secretary: Colin Finnie Sr.

Camp Skipper: RL E. Salmon

District Cub Master: Cub Master E. Beaven

District RSL: R.L. E. Salmon

Auditors: Messrs. Mr J M Ken and Lindsay.

Co-option of Representatives of OtherOrrganisations, appointment of representatives.

It was agreed to again co-opt representatives of the Girl Guides, the Boys Brigade, and Toc-H.

Representatives appointed to County Scout Council: DCM E. Beaven, and Honorary Secretary; and to Scottish headquarters DCM E. Beaven, DRL E. Salmon, and the Honorary Secretary.

Association Meetings.

GSM James Dally moved, seconded by ADC Arthur Lyle, that no Executive Committee be appointed and that instead the Association should meet once a month. This was unanimously agreed to.

Also agreed meetings take place last Tuesday of each month, at 7.30 p.m. Nine members to form a quorum.

Finance Committee.

The retiring Finance Committee was re-elected with full powers as a standing Finance Committee.

Sea Scout Committee

The appointment of a Sea Scout Committee was held over until next Association Meeting.

Annual Social.

Discussion on annual social was also held over until next meeting.

“Scout Notes.”

ADC Duncan N. Holmes agreed to take charge of Scout Notes for the Greenock Telegraph.

Armistice parade.

After discussion on Armistice parade, it was agreed to conform as arranged at last meeting of Executive Committee. Concerning the Cubs in connection with their parade, GSM S. Faulds moved, seconded by DRL E. Salmon, that only Cub officers take part, which was agreed to.

In view of number of no DSM appointment, ADC Arthur Lyle consented to take charge of the parade, and forthwith intimated necessary details and instructions.

Addresses.

The County Secretary, Mr Walter Scott, in his address, remarked that the position of Scouting in the County was improving. He also emphasised the early return of annual census papers and greater attention to 1st Class work. He also gave details of vacancies in New South Wales. for Scouts of 17 to 19 years of age.

Mr Ronald K. Brew again wished the Association every success, and intimated that BB offer was still open for a meeting for the discussion of juvenile problems.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Colin Finnie Jr.

Chairman. 29/10/35.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 27th November, 1934, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Wm Shearer Arthur Lyle Duncan N. Holmes Jas. P. Campbell and Jas. J. Swan, Dist. RSL. Ernest Salmon; and representatives from the following Groups: 11th, 22nd, 38th, 52nd, 57th, 70th, 86th, 89th, 10th and 4th Greenock.

Attending G.S.M. Wm. Gow Hon. Treasurer, Colin Finnie, Hon. Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Apology.

Apology for absence was reported from DCM E. Beaven.

Correspondence.

Letter submitted from James A Morrison Esquire, Association Vice President, apologising for non-attendance at Annual General Meeting.

Bye Laws.

Form A.B. showing alteration to bye laws was submitted and unanimously approved.

Association meetings.

Following discussion, hour of Association meetings was altered from 7:30 to 8 o’clock pm.

Appointment of Committees.

Agreed all committees be appointed as required.

Badge Committee.

Reappointment of 1933-34 Badges Committee unanimously approved.

Cub and Rover Committees.

The Cub and Rover Councils were reappointed as the Cub and Rover Committees.

Sea Scout Committee.

In view of the formation of a Sea Scout Troop, the following Committee was appointed: the District Commissioner, ADC James P Campbell: and DR L E. Salmon. The election of another member to be left to the Committee.

Group Registrations.

Group registration forms of the 4th and 12th Greenock, and 89th Renfrewshire, were submitted and approved.

Warrant Applications.

The following warrant applications were approved: SM E. Brockwell, ASM T.H.E. Pearson and ASM JH Hoare, all of the 38th Group.

Resignation.

The resignation of Charles N. Park as R.L. of the 5th Group was intimated and accepted.

Annual Social.

Following discussion, it was agreed to hold the annual social in Seafield Hall, at end of January or beginning of February, at a charge of 1/6 per head. Programme outlined: Tea, Concert and Dance.

The following Committee was appointed to make full arrangements: AGC's Arthur Lyle, James P Campbell, and James J Swan. Powers granted to co-opt other members.

Cub Christmas Toy Parade.

Sanction was given for the holding of the Cub annual Christmas toy parade on Sunday 16th December 1934.

Elspin Trophy.

Following a question raised by GSM J. Dally re Esplin memorial trophy, the Secretary was instructed to have letter received from HG Russell brought up at next meeting.

Scout Display.

GSM S. Faulds suggestion of a Scout Display at Cappielow Park, in place of the usual Scout Week was adopted, and the following Committee was elected to make necessary arrangements: ADCs Jas J Swan, and James P Campbell, and GSM S. Faulds. Also agreed that the County be invited to participate in this event.

District Scout Master.

On being appointed District Scout Master, GSM S. Faulds was presented with the DSM Hat Badge by the District Commissioner.

57th Group.

After a discussion on let of old Rover den to the 57th Group, it was agreed that the Group take up the matter with the District Commissioner.

BB Band.

The Secretary was instructed to thank the Boys Brigade Band for their services at the Armistice Parade.

Auditors.

In connection with the annual audit, the Secretary instructed to thank Messrs JM Kerr and Lindsay.

Everton.

The Camp Skipper intimated following appointment of deputies: Programmes, ADC James J. Swan; quartermaster; SM A Ritchie; Hygiene T Wilson; and timber: GSM William Gilliland.

Rules for Everton camp were submitted by the Camp Skipper, and after minor adjustments were approved. Copy of rules retained for records.

Association meeting.

Next meeting of the Association was arranged for 18th instead of 25th December 1934.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 18th December, 1934, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie Jr., Duncan N. Holmes, Wm Shearer Arthur I. Lyle and Jas. J. Swan; and representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 52nd, 57th, 89th, Renfrewshire and 4th Greenock.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon. Badge Secretary G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Apology.

Apologies for absence was intimated from DCM E. Beaven.

Minute of meeting.

The minute of meeting dated 27th November 1934 was read and approved on the motion of ACM J Cardwell and seconded by ADC Arthur Lyle.

Business Arising.

Intimated that the registration of the new bye laws of the Association, and the registration of the 89th Group had been effected. Also reported letter of thanks had been sent to the Associations Auditors, and to the Boys Brigade Band.

In connection with the Esplin Memorial Cup, Hector G Russell's letter, dated the 24th June 1934 was again submitted, after which, a short discussion was held on 1st Class tests.

Finance Committee

\*Lets. The following lets were intimated:

The Scouters’ Room to the Girl Guides Association per Divisional Commissioner Mrs. Lawrie on Tuesday 22nd December, 1934; and to the 57th Cub Pack on 24th December 1934.

The large Hall to the Junior Instruction Centre per Geo Allan, on 27th December 1934.

Reported receipt of confirmation of let of hall from the West End Ladies Badminton Club, for period 12th November 1934 to 11th February 1935 (both dates inclusive) at a rental of £3.10/-.

An application from the Rev. RK Somerville for use of Hall on 28th and 29th January 1935 at a rental of £3 10/- was granted subjected to a settlement per the District Commissioner with the West End Ladies Badminton Club for Monday 28th January.

\*Fire Insurance.

The question of fire insurance was referred to the Association by the Finance Committee. The meeting agreed that this subject be left with the committee.

\*Cash.

Reported that accounts outstanding amounted to approximately £30 and that there were no immediate prospects of settlement.

~~In view of not being able to procure the services of a Hall keeper, the Secretary was instructed to approach the trustees of the property of 11 Margaret St for their sanction to utilise the £30 which they had granted for that purpose (£15 of which had been received). for the payment of the outstanding accounts.~~

\*Whist Drive and Dance.

Following a suggestion from the Finance Committee, it was agreed to hold a whist drive (on the Hostess principle) and Dance, provided sufficient support was forthcoming from the Groups. The following charges were agreed upon:

Whist Drive 1/-; Whist Drive and Dance 1/6; Dance 1/6.

Tables guaranteed by Groups present: 1oth, 4; 22nd, 2; 45th, 2; 52nd, 4; 57th, 4: 1 was also guaranteed by Bertie Morrison, giving a total of 17 tables.

Members present agreed to carry details to the Groups not represented. Notification of these Groups intentions was to be forwarded to the Secretary by 25th December 1934.

ADC Duncan N Holmes intimated his donating of a prize for the Whist Drive.

In the event of this function taking place, it was agreed to forgo the Annual Social previously agreed to.

Scout Football Shield.

In connection with the Scout Football Shield competition, ACM J Cardwell agreed to undertake arrangements.

Western Area Social and Annual Conference.

Intimation was made of the Western Area Social on January 12th 1935 and Annual Conference w/e 9th/10th February 1935.

Scout Notes

Due to new arrangements by the Telegraph, ADC DN Holmes stated that Scout Notes in future required to be in his hands by 9 am on Monday mornings.

Otter Swimming Club

intimated that the Otter Swimming Club was expected to be soon under way.

Association Meeting.

The next Association Meeting was fixed for Tuesday 22nd January 1935.

Colin Finnie Jr. Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 22nd January 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie Jr., Wm Shearer, Arthur Lyle, Jas. P. Campbell, and Duncan N. Holmes; Dist. RL E. Salmon, Mr. J. Hume; and representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th 52nd, 57th, 59th, 86th, & 89th, Renfrewshire and 4th Greenock.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon. Badge Secretary; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair

A.D.C. Jas. J. Swan

On opening the meeting, the Chairman gave expression to the regret felt by all members of the unfortunate and inopportune accident that had befallen ADC James Swan, and the Secretary was instructed to convey to Mr. Swan the Association's sincere wishes of a full and speedy recovery.

Wood badge - CM / Miss Brakwell

Following this, a pleasing little ceremony was performed when the District Commissioner presented the Cub Wood Badge and parchment to Cubmaster Miss N Brakwell of the 38th Group.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of meeting, dated 18th December 1934, was submitted and approved on the motion of ADC William Shearer, and seconded by Cub Master S. Thompson.

Correspondence- SA Youth Service.

Submitted invitation from the Salvation Army (Citadel Corps])for Rovers and Senior Scouts to attend a special Youth Service on 10th February 1935, which, after debate, was accepted by 10 votes to 3. Arrangements were made for party to assemble outside Salvation Army Headquarters in Holmscroft Street at 10.45 am.

Income Tax Rebate.

Reported receipt of letter from Messrs. Neil, Clerk and Murray intimating that income tax assessor had agreed to remission of income tax assessments for 1934-35, and 1935-36.

Lets

Reported continued let of downstairs room to Greenock Hockey Club, until end of March 1935; and let of Hall to No, 2 Company, the Girls Guildery, per Miss M. Love, on Friday 22nd and Tuesday 26th March 1935.

Also reported receipts of 30/-, and 2/6, from Greenock and District Ornithological Soc., and 57th Cub Pack, respectively, for Lets on 15th and 24th December 1934.

Whist Drive and Dance.

The Whist Drive for which 29 tables were ultimately guaranteed was fixed for 15th February 1935, commencing at 7.30, and finishing at 9.35 pm. Dance to take place, after refreshments, until 12 midnight. Other necessary arrangements were made accordingly.

23rd Renfrewshire Group.

Information was made of the registration of the 12th Greenock Sea Scouts as 23rd Renfrewshire.

Warrant Applications

The following warrant applications were submitted and approved: GSM J. Hume; Rover Leader, Thomas Arthur; and assistant Rover Leader RW Murray, all of the 7th Group.

The application of Cubmaster Miss MCH Gall of the 59th Group was to be returned for a reference other than that of the GSM of her Group.

Resignation RLF Smith

The resignation of RLF Smith, as Scout Master of the 86th Group was intimated and accepted. The Secretary was instructed to thank Mr. Smith for his services.

The “Scouter” and Registration Fee

Concerning the “Scouter”, which the Groups received for a year on payment of the Annual Registration Fee, it was unanimously agreed, on ADC William Shearer's motion that, in future, Groups desirous of this publication should themselves procure copies.

Discussion then ensued upon the registration fee itself, and, on a vote being taken, during which ‘Standing Orders’ were suspended, the motion of ADC William Shearer, “that the present fee of 5/- continue, but should the occasion arise necessitating the subscribing of an additional amount, the Groups could again be approached” was declared carried.

Seafield Hall

Following a lengthy and varied debate on the question of the retaking of Seafield Hall as Headquarters of the Association, during which a statement of account was produced for the upkeep of Seafield for 1933-34, showing a deficit of approximately £30, the District Commissioner moved “that the Let be terminated as and from the 28th May 1935”. ADC James Campbell seconded.

J. Dally Jr. moved as an amendment “the re-taking of Seafield until 28th May 1936, and to rely upon the Groups for their full support”. Cub Master Miss Tulloch seconded.

During the vote, standing orders were again suspended. The motion was carried by 23 votes to 16.

32nd Group Hut.

The offer of the 32nd Group’s Hut; for the holding of the Associations meetings from June to September was duly accepted, and ADC William Shearer thanked accordingly.

Registration Fee continued

Returning again to the registration fee, it was stressed that the giving up of Seafield was to have no effect upon the fixed amount. Also agreed that this year's subscriptions must be paid by 15th February 1935.

Association Meeting.

The next Association Meeting was arranged for 19th February 1935.

Suspension of Standing Orders.

Replying to ADC Lyle’s suggestion “that for future meetings, standing orders be suspended, thus enabling all attending members to vote”, the Chairman stated he deferred his decision until next meeting.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 5th February 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Special Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, J. Dally, Arthur Lyle, and Jas. P. Campbell; Dist. Rover Leader E. Salmon; Mr. J. Hume; and representatives of the following Groups: 3rd, 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 33rd, 45th 52nd, 57th, 59th, 86th, & 89th. Attending G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair

Seafield Hall.

In an effort to retain Seafield Hall for the Association, the District Commissioner stated that, since last meeting, he had endeavoured to have the rent of Seafield reduced, but had not been successful. However, he had also been in negotiation with the Western [Greenock] Badminton Club and he now submitted draft agreement, [drawn up by the legal adviser of the Club] whereby, in general, the Club would accept as sub let from the Association the large Hall of Seafield, from May 1935 to May 1936, at a rental of £25, and would be responsible for the lighting and heating of the said Hall. Other burdens to be borne by the Association.

In view of this proposal, Cub Master Miss Tulloch moved that the motion for the giving up of Seafield on 28th May 1935; as adopted at the Association Meeting on 22nd January 1935; be rescinded; that Seafield be retaken until May 1936; and that the Badminton Club’s proposition be given a year’s trial. On RSL McDonough’s seconding, this was unanimously agreed to.

Following several adjustments to the Seafield agreement, it was agreed to accept the terms of the Badminton Club, provided that the club concurred with the alterations.

Colin Finnie junior, Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 19th February 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Wm. Shearer, ~~J. Dally~~, and Arthur Lyle; Dist. Rover Leader E. Salmon; Dist. Scoutmaster S. Faulds; and representatives of the following Groups: 3rd, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 70th, 86th, and 89th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Presentation of District Rover Leader’s Hat Badge.

The District Rover Leader’s Hat Badge was presented by the District Commissioner to the District Rover Leader E. Salmon.

Minutes of Meetings.

The minutes of meeting of 22nd January 1935, and of the special meeting of 5th February 1935, were read and approved on motion of GSM J. Dally and seconded by Cubmaster Miss Jean Tulloch.

ADC James J Swan

Submitted letter received from ADC James Swan thanking the Association for their good wishes.

Standing Orders.

Concerning Standing Orders, the Chairman stated that they could not be permanently suspended as this would be unconstitutional.

Western Badminton Club - Seafield Hall

Reported that the Western Badminton Club had accepted the alterations made to “Agreement for sub-let of Seafield large Hall”; and that Seafield had been retaken for another year.

SA Special Service.

Following trenchant remarks upon the turn out to the Salvation Army's special Youth Service on 10th February 1935, it was moved “that any such invitations, in future, be not accepted”. An amendment “that all such invitations, and to Parades, be considered as they arise” was eventually carried. Note was to be taken of Groups voting their support.

Everton Camp.

The Camp Skipper stressed the fact that Everton camp was closed when Association Parades of any kind were being held.

Peace Service- 24th July 1935

An invitation to assist at a Peace Service in Greenock Town Hall on 24th February 1935 was accepted, the following Groups promising assistance: 7th, 12 members; 32nd, 9; 33rd, 1; 52nd, 4; and 70th, 4. The DRSL would be in charge of the party, which was to assemble in the Town Hall carriageway at 7.30 pm.

Greenock YMCA

intimation was made of an invitation from the Greenock YMCA to a showing of “Post Office Services Talking Pictures” in YMCA Hall on Friday 22nd February 1935.

Group Subscriptions.

Reported following Groups had still to pay this year's subscriptions: 7th, 9th, 11th, 38th, 50th, 88th, 23rd, and 4th Greenock. Agreed that the Commissioners visit these Groups and bring matter before them.

Lets.

Intimated that West End Ladies Badminton Club had been granted an extended let from 25th February to 25th March 1935, at a charge of £1-1-0d.

Whist Drive and Dance.

The Whist Drive and Dance of 15th February resulted in a balance of £7-1-6d being handed over to the Treasurer.

Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment: Messrs McGilviary 15/-: Messrs. McCubbin £1-3-0d; Messrs Laing £1-3-0d; Messrs Storer £1-6-0d; Greenock Telegraph 14/-: Messrs. Mackie £2-0-0d; and Secretary 2/-, a total of £7-3-0d.

Evening Cruise.

It was agreed by 15 votes to 12 that no evening cruise be held this year.

Whist Drives and Dances.

It was also agreed to hold small Whist Drives and Dances in March and April, the first to take place on 12 March 1935, commencing at 7.30 pm, charge 1/6. The following Committee was appointed to make arrangements: Cub Masters Miss Tulloch and Miss Ramsey; ADC A. Lyle; DRL E. Salmon; RSL M. McDonough, and B. Morrison.

32nd Group Concert Party

Intimated Cub Council were endeavouring to raise funds for the Association by holding a concert; to be given by the 32nd Group Concert Party, on 7th March 1935.

County Flag.

In view of letter received re County Flag Competition, it was agreed that entries be forwarded to the Secretary by 19th March 1935.

Competitions.

In connection with the Public Service Vase, Fire Trophy and Shannon Cup Competitions, the following Committee was appointed with full powers to make necessary arrangements: DRL E. Salmon, DSM S. Faulds; DCM E. Beaven, ADC A. Lyle, and GSM J. Hume.

Resignations.

The resignations of GSM A. Gallacher and Cub Master Miss. Harris of 39th Group were submitted and accepted. The Secretary was instructed to thank them for their services.

Lay Member.

Mr W P Stratton was unanimously elected a lay member of the Association.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 19th March 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, and Wm. Shearer,; Dist. Rover Leader E. Salmon; Messrs. J. Hume and W.P. Stratton; and representatives of the following Groups: 3rd, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th , 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th, & 89th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Mr W P Stratton and Mr Lightbody.

On opening the meeting, the Chairman extended a warm welcome to Mr W P Stratton on his return to the Association; and to Mr Lightbody, who was now assisting the 3rd Troop.

Presentation of Warrants.

ASM Warrants were presented by the District Commissioner to Messrs. Hoare, Pearson, Hardie, and Dunlop.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of meeting, dated 19 February, 1935 was read and confirmed on the motion of GSM J. Dally and seconded by SM A. Ritchie.

Peace Service.

The District Rover Leader reported that 29 Rovers and Senior Scouts had assisted at the Peace Service in Town Hall on 24th February. All duties were carried out satisfactorily.

Correspondence.

Submitted letter from County Secretary re Glasgow Scouts Swimming Gala on Tuesday 9th April 1935. Intending competitors to inform local Secretary.

County Flag Competition.

Reported that the 10th, 38th and 70th Groups had entered for the County Flag. District arrangements: same conditions as for competition proper. Mr Marshall to be invited to act as examiner. Failing the services of this gentleman, the Chairman was to arrange for a substitute.

Finance.

Intimated £4 and £3-10/- had been received from St Georges Church and the West End Ladies Badminton Club respectively.

Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment: Mr Friel, £2-4/-; Messrs. McAlister and Fyfe, 17/4; Greenock Corporation, Gas, 11/9, and electricity £7- 17-8d; Messrs Hanna, 3/6; and Messrs Nicol and Co, £4-2-10d; amounting in all to £15-17-1d.

Lets.

Reported Let of Hall to 7th Company of the Boys Brigade per John Kerr on 4th April 1935.

The extended Let to the West End Ladies Badminton Club was reported as not having been taken up.

Bathing Pool.

Consequent of a proposal to approach the trustees of Margaret Street property for grant of £30 to complete bathing pool at Everton, it was moved “that this scheme be dropped in its entirety”. An amendment “that scheme be allowed to wait until sufficient money in hand other than a caning grant from trustees” was carried by 21 votes to 5.

Everton.

Permission was granted to purchase for Everton a pick-axe shaft and a quantity of cement.

Rovers.

Intimated meeting of Rovers in Scouters’ Room on Monday 25th March.

Competitions Committee.

Competitions Committee meeting was arranged for Tuesday 26th March.

Cappielow Display Committee.

Scout Master William McKillop, and Assistant Scout Master James Hoare were appointed additional members to the Cappielow Display Committee.

Football Shield Competition.

Scout Master McKillop was elected convener of the Scout Football Shield Competition in place of Assistant Cubmaster Mr. James Cardwell.

County Executive.

Reporting on County Executive meeting, the District Commissioner stated Scout Wood Badge weekend courses were to be held from 18th May to 16th June 1935.

Further to Jubilee celebrations, the County recommended ‘no action’ in view of the Greenock town council's decision.

A request for a special contribution to SHQ similar to last year was being opposed by the County.

Jubilee Celebrations.

After discussion on Jubilee celebrations, it was agreed by 13 votes to 3 to have a bonfire at Everton Camp on 6th May 1935, subject to the sanction of Sir Hugh Shaw Stewart.

A special meeting of the Association was to be held on receipt of Sir Hugh's reply.

Whist Drive and Dance.

The next Whist Drive and Dance was fixed for 26th April. The meeting guaranteed the attendance of 49 persons.

Western Badminton Club Let.

A short discussion was held on the Let of Seafield large Hall to the Western Badminton Club.

Association Meeting.

The next Association meeting was intimated for 30th April 1935.

Colin Finnie, Junior - Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 16th April 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Special Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Jas. J. Swan, Arthur I. Lyle, Wm. Shearer and Duncan M. Holmes; Dist. Rover Leader, E. Salmon; Dist. Scoutmaster, S. Faulds; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 10th, 11th 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th , 52nd

and 59th.

A.D.C. Jas. J. Swan in the Chair.

Apology for Absence.

Apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Assistant District Commissioner Colin Finnie.

Jubilee Celebrations.

Submitted letter received from the agent of Sir Hugh Shaw Stewart refusing permission to have bonfire at Everton.

The Chairman then intimated that on the suggestion of the Greenock Town Clerk, the District Commissioner had made application for permission to have Bonfire and Display of Fireworks on the Lyle Hill on 6th May 1935; and also to hold parades from George Square to the Lyle Hill.

On motion of the District Scout Master, seconded by Mr. Morrison, it was unanimously agreed to adhere to the District Commissioner’s arrangements.

Committee of Arrangements appointed:- Messrs WP Stratton, Convener; John Dally, and B. Morrison.

Members of the Committee to approach local firms with request letter for the procuring of combustible material. The Secretary was also to forward to the Editor of the Greenock Telegraph an appeal for supplies of timber.

Intimated fireworks were being donated by an anonymous person.

The Arrangements Committee to have timber deposited at Seafield and to hire lorry for transporting wood to Lyle Hill on 6th May.

Intimated promises of donations to defray expenses of cartage.

The bonfire to be built on promontory facing northwest at summit of Lyle Hill.

The District Rover Leader and the District Scout Master to arrange for management of crowd.

The District Commissioner to meet Arrangements Committee when Magistrates’ permission had been obtained and to arrange signals with Gourock and Dunoon.

It was agreed that Mister Ryrie Orr fire rocket and light bonfire at 10.15 pm.

ADC Arthur Lyle to arrange for the Boys Brigade Band and to lead the community singing.

Rovers and Senior Scouts to clean up after bonfire.

The Association Parade to leave George Square at 9.15 pm and to proceed to Lyle Hill via Union Street and Johnstone St and then by Bedford Lane to Lyle Road.

The 5th Group Pipe Band to be invited to lead Parade.

The District Scout Master to form Ambulance Squad if possible from Troops.

ADC DM Holmes to insert in ‘Scout Notes’ a request for public to assist by keeping well back from bonfire.

Colin Finnie Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 30th April 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Jas. J. Swan, Wm. Shearer, and Arthur Lyle; Dist. Rover Leader E. Salmon; Dist. SM S. Faulds; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, & 89th.

Attending Arthur Muir, County Commissioner; Walter Scott, County Secretary; Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; and G.S.M. Wm. Gow, Hon. Treasurer.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minutes of Meeting.

The minutes of meetings dated 19th March and 16th April 1935 were read and approved, on motion of ADC William Shearer and seconded by GSM Jas. Dally.

Medal of Merit- DC.

Follow*ing* this, the District Commissioner was presented with the Medal of Merit by the County Commissioner, Mr. Arthur Muir, who stated that it gave him great pleasure in ‘handing over’ the medal on behalf of the Chief Scout. Mr. Butter suitably replied.

The County Commissioner.

Thereafter, the County Commissioner said he was sorry to intimate the cancelling of the Wood Badge Course at Milliken owing to insufficient entries; but he, Mr. Muir, was pleased to see Greenock was following all the Districts in the Jubilee Beacon Scheme. There would be approximately 200 bonfires in Scotland.

Camping Season.

Regarding the camping season, Mr. Muir reminded Scouters of the necessary 21 days-notice of camp; and also of the sanitary requirements of the different Counties.

County Secretary.

Mr Walter Scott, the County Secretary, stated everything was now satisfactory and had no complaints to make.

County Flag.

Intimated that 70th Group had been entered for the County Flag Competition.

Whist Drive and Dance.

Proceeds from whist drive and dance on 26th April had amounted to £2. 10/-.

Bonfire Committee.

Mr. WP Stratton, Convener of the Jubilee Bonfire Committee, report*ed* everything going satisfactorily. 25/- had been received in donations; and also an offer of free cartage of some material to the Lyle Hill. He desired some helpers for the loading and unloading of material. He also required a tent to be pitched on Lyle Hill for some persons to protect bonfire. A tent was granted by the 52nd Group. As the fireworks display was not possible, a rocket or two would be obtained to start the proceedings.

Correspondence.

Submitted an appeal for assistance in collecting moss for The Hague Poppy Factory.

Finance.

Reported receipt of £3.00 from 7th Boys Brigade Company, £1 from 2nd Company the Girls Guildery, and £3 from the 5th Group.

Account passed for payment, Messrs. Duncan Nicol and Co, (Coal), £6.4. 11d.

Rovers.

Intimated Rovers had decided on a hike to Glenn Finnart on 11th and 12th May 1935. If this was a success, it was further proposed to hold a week end on 15th -16th June 1935.

Cubs.

It was stated that Cub report had been sent in, but was not read. ADC James Swan informed meeting that the Cub Challenge Shield had been won by 22nd Pack.

Competitions Committee.

Intimated DRL E. Salmon had been appointed Convener of Competitions Committee. It was agreed that the Committee had full power to add to numbers if necessary.

Shannon Cup to be held on 25th and 26th May 1935. Entries close 18th May. Everton Camp open only to competing troops during weekend of competition.

Swimming Gala and Victory Trophy in hands of ADC James Swan.

Fire Shield Competition not to be held this year.

Public Service Vase arrangements in hands of DSM S. Faulds. Competition to be held on 13th June. Entries close 31st May.

Cappielow Display Committee.

Reported that owing to two members being ‘laid up’ for a considerable period, the Cappielow Display Committee found it now too late for this year's Display, but suggested one for 1936. After discussion, this suggestion was agreed to.

Warrant Applications.

The following warrant applications were approved: William McKillop, GSM, 22nd Group; James B Mitchell, SM 22nd Group; Rev. Edwin J Hollands, GSM, 39th Group; and Miss MCH Gall, CM, 59th Group.

Resignation - J. Caldwall, 5th Group.

The resignation of Mr JS Caldwell as ASM of the 5th Group was accepted. Letter of thanks to be forwarded.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Cchairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 21st May 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Wm. Shearer, Duncan M Holmes, Jas. J. Swan, and Arthur I Lyle; Dist. Rover Leader, E. Salmon; Dist. Scoutmaster, S. Faulds; Messrs. W.P. Stratton and J. Hume; and Representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th & 89th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minute of Meeting.

The minute of meeting dated 30th April 1935 was read and confirmed on motion of District Scout Master, S. Faulds and seconded by Mr. J Hume.

Correspondence.

\*Submitted letter dated 3rd May 1935 received from SHQ, re finances and Jubilee Trust Fund.

\*Camping circulars received from the County Commissioner were distributed to members present.

\*A prospectus dealing with an Insurance Scheme was allowed to lie on the table.

\*A circular relating to Salvation Army Life Saving Scouts was also submitted.

Finance Report.

\*Intimated receipts of £1.1.0 from RL Scott; £30 from After Care Committee; and £15 from the Trustees of 8 Margaret Street, being balance of £30 grant.

\*Accounts passed for payment:

Rent £20; Rates £15.13.4; McEwing (Boiler) £10; Nicol and Co (Coal) £4.2.10; Gas 7/2; Electricity £3 .1.10; James Holmes and Son £1.7.6; Secretary 2/1; County Flag (District Competition Expenses) 2/2.

\*Intimated Camp Skipper had been granted powers to spend up £5 for improvements at Everton.

\*The purchasing of 500 letter headings and one typewriter ribbon was also granted.

Rovers.

Reported Rover hike on 11th - 12th May had been a success.

Cubs.

Following intimation that no Cub Reports had been received for some time, the ADC for Cubs stated that the recent Cub training camp had been well attended, but a full report on the matter, and on previous Cub business, would be submitted at next meeting.

Jubilee Bonfire.

Regarding the success of the bonfire on 6th May, Mr. Stratton expressed great satisfaction of the support he had received, and thanked all who had supported him, particularly Mr. Fred Gale and ACM McRindle.

After paying cartage, the balance from donations for the purpose, was 11/- which was voted to the general funds.

On behalf of the Association, the Chairman appreciately thanked Mr. Stratton for his good services.

A letter of thanks, it was agreed, be forwarded to the Wellington Pipe Band for their services on 6th May.

Competitions Committee.

\*The District Scout Master intimated that 5 teams had entered for the Shannon Cup competition i.e. 10th, 38th, 70th, 32nd and 33rd.

\*Regarding the Swimming Gala, it was intimated that 14th June had been fixed provisionally.

King George Jubilee Trust Fund.

Submitted circular requesting attendances of a representative from this Organisation at a meeting in Greenock Town on 13th May, for the launching of the King George Jubilee Trust Fund in this District.

ADC Duncan M Holmes, who had acted as representative, submitted his report, chief points of which were:

\*£400,000 were required for fund:

\*All money raised to go to a National Pool:

\*Existing and proved juvenile organisations to benefit:

\*Every avenue for raising money to be exploited:

\*3600 badges to be obtained for sale in this District, which would necessitate the assistance of the various organisations:

\*Applications for grants to be made to the Secretary of Local Committee:

\*Circular letter to be issued setting forth full particulars of requirements:

\*Next meeting had been fixed for 27th May.

In consequence of this report, and in view of letter from SHQ, previously submitted, the Secretary was instructed to approach the County Secretary regarding the obtaining of grants by Local Association from the Trust Fund.

ADC Duncan Holmes was appointed representative to Fund Committee.

The assistance of approximately 46 persons was guaranteed for the selling of badges.

Warrant Application

The warrant application of William Ferguson of 7th Group was submitted and approved.

Seafield Master of Works.

ADC Duncan Holmes was appointed Master of Works at Seafield.

Drumhead Service.

It was agreed Drumhead Service be held in Pirrie and Lady Alice Parks on Sunday 16th June. Arrangements made:

\*Parade assemble in George Square at 2.15 pm:

\*Officiating ministers Rev. A.R.R. Reid: Assisting Minister Rev. Douglas Troup:

\*Inspecting Officer; Sir Ian Colquhoun, or Marquis of Douglas and Clydesdale, or Provost Bell:

\*ADC Arthur Lyle to arrange for band to lead praise:

\*5th Group Pipe Band to lead parade:

\*Toc H to be asked to assist with collection of entrance to parks. In event of not being successful in this direction, note to be put Scout Notes requesting ladies to assist:

\* Girl Guides and Gourock, Inverkip, and Port Glasgow Scouts to be invited to take part:.

Notice of Camps.

Intimated that camp forms must be in the hands of ADC Colin Finnie by 5th June.

It was further emphasised that only camp permits for Everton were to be forwarded to the Camp Skipper. All others must be sent to ADC Finnie.

Mr. WP Stratton intimated he was prepared to run a camp for boys whose Groups were not holding camps.

9th Cub Pack.

On an appeal being made by ADC William Shearer on behalf of the 9th Cub Pack, it was agreed, as a special favour, but whereby no precedent was being created, that this Pack be relieved of payment of the Annual Registration Fee for season 1934 - 35.

Lay member- F. Gale.

On motion of Mr. W P Stratton, and seconded by ACM McRindle, Mr Fred Gale was duly elected a Lay member.

Association Meeting.

The next association meeting was intimated for 18th June.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 18th June 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Arthur I Lyle, Wm. Shearer, Jas. J. Swan, Duncan M Holmes, and Dist. Rover Leader E. Salmon; Messrs. J. Hume; W.P. Stratton; and Fred Gale and Representatives of the following Groups: 6th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Shannon Cup.

Following DRL E. Salmon's report on the Shannon Cup Competition, the DC presented the Cup to the 70th Group. The Examiners’ report to be obtained for next meeting.

Special Cub Prize - Swimming Gala

The District Commissioner also presented a special prize to a Cub for his splendid but not quite successful effort in the Cub Championship event at the Swimming Gala on 14th June.

Presentation of Warrants.

The following received warrants from the District Commissioner: GSM J Hume, and ARL Robert Murray of the 7th Group; and SM E Brockwell of 38th Group.

Minute of Meeting

The minute of meeting, dated 21st May, 1935, was submitted and approved on motion of ADC Duncan M Holmes, and seconded by Mr WP Stratton.

In connection with Open Air Service held on 16th June, agreed letter of thanks be forwarded to Lord Inverclyde, and the Boys Brigade Band.

Finances- Cash.

\*Reported cash received:

Open air service collection £8.5.6.

Net profit from Providore (earmarked for Everton) £2.3.7.

\*Accounts.

Accounts passed for payment:

Pirrie Park Attendant 10.0.

Cleaning materials- Seafield £2.0.0

Ironmonger (Everton) £1.13.9

Paint (Everton) 18.5.

Shannon Cup Expenses 15.0

Secretary 3.7

Scouters Room.

Approved Scouters’ Room improvements: Installation of gas fire (£4.14.0). Overhaul of electric light (£3.0.0). Purchase of fire guard and lock for door.

Grant.

Intimated application made for grant from Special Area Commission, to cover cost of improved water supply at Everton. This grant would probably cover completion costs of bathing pool.

Everton Hut.

Additional improvements to Everton Hut held up for further survey.

Co-opt Numbers.

Intimated Master of Works and Camp Skipper had been Co-opted to Finance Committee.

Cub Report- Toys etc.

Cub Report Summary:

\*333 Toys distributed to poor children at Christmas 1934:

\*Cub Flag won by 22nd Pack: Beaven Sports Trophy won by 57th Pack: Football Competition being rearranged:

\*Arrangements being made for Inter Pack cricket matches: cricket league, if possible, to be formed for next season:

\*Art Trophy Competition to be judged by DC:

\*Cub Council Handbook completed:

\*Ping Pong table received from Miss Lang of Lindores:

Cub library augmented:

Cub Masterss outing to Kilmacolm, and Cubs Picnic to inverkip, both successful:

\*Training camps well attended: 84 certificates gained during past 4 years.

Swimming Gala.

ADC James J Swan reported successful Swimming Gala on 14th June. Victory Trophy won by 70th Group: Rover Championship won by Jim Muirhead, 57th Group, and Scout Championship by A. Hardie, 70th Group.

Agreed letter of thanks be forwarded to Secretaries of West End Baths.

West End Baths.

Submitted letter, dated 28th May, received from West End Baths intimating that usual charge for Gala (£1.10.0) would be made in future.

King George Jubilee Fund.

ADC Duncan M Holmes reported that for the King George Jubilee Trust Fund, 240 badges had been sold by Lady CubMasters, realising £10 .19.3.

Submitted letter, received from County Secretary, stating it was anticipated that grants from this fund would be made to the Headquarters of the various Organisations.

Resignation JP Campbell.

The resignation of Mr JP Campbell, owing to ill health, was submitted and accepted. Agreed Mr Campbell be thanked for his services.

Everton.

Question raised re irregularities at Everton Camp. Intimated District Commissioner had this matter in hand.

Association Meeting.

The next Association Meeting was arranged for 27th August 1935.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 23rd July 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Special Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Duncan M Holmes, and Jas. J. Swan; Dist. Rover Leader, E. Salmon; Messrs. W.P. Stratton; and H R. Campbell and Representatives from following Groups: 6th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 70th, 86th and 89th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr, Hon. Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Special Area’s Commission Grant.

Intimated grant of £129 had been made by the Special Area Commission for laying on of improved water supply, and completion of bathing pool at Everton Camp.

Tenders for water supply had been received from Messrs. Crawford and Kerr (£36.10.0) and Messrs. Ritchie (£39); and for bathing pool from Messrs. Matthew Kirkwood (£178), Messrs J Holmes and Son (£175), and Mr J. Friel (£90).

Appointment of Committee.

The following Committee was appointed, with full powers, for supervision of the work entailed: Mr WP Stratton; Camp Skipper, E Salmon; GSM J Dally and ARL R.Murray.

Committee to appoint own Convener.

Thanks to DC.

The meeting expressed great appreciation of the efforts of the District Commissioner in obtaining the grant from the Commission.

Balmoral and Rover Scouts.

Intimated that District Rover Leader had received circular re Wearing of Balmoral by Rover Scouts.

Lord Inverclyde.

Submitted letter of thanks from Lord Inverclyde in connection with Open Air Service on 16th June.

Warrant Application.

Application for SM’s warrant in name of Thomas A. Kirkwood, of 23rd Group (Sea Scouts) was submitted and approved.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 27th August, 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; Mr. Levy, of S.H.Q; ADCs, Colin Finnie, Duncan M Holmes, Jas. J. Swan, and Wm. Shearer; Dist. Rover Leader, E. Salmon; Messrs. W.P. Stratton; Fred Gale; J. Hume; Colin RD Brown; and HL Campbell; and Representatives of the following Groups: 6th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 23rd, ,32nd 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th and 89th.

Attending GSM Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary; and A. Rutherford, Hon. Secretary.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Special Lets.

The Chairman introduced Mr Levy of SHQ who spoke at length on the subject of special tests. At the close of his address, the meeting accorded Mr. Levy a hearty vote of thanks.

Minutes of meetings.

The minutes of meetings dated 18th June and 23rd July 1935 were submitted and approved on motion of ADC Duncan Holmes and seconded by Mr Fred Gale.

Finance.

The following accounts were passed for payment: Messrs Orr, Pollock, Co. 12/-; Messrs Lamont 12/6; Messrs. McGilvrary 2/-; Messrs Hanna, 2/6; Messrs McAllister and Fyfe, 9/4; J. Friel, 5/-; Messrs. J. Holmes and Son, 7/-; Treasurer 6/3, and Secretary 1/6.

Resignation of Treasurer.

Intimation was made of the resignation at end of Scout Year of GSM William Gow, as Honorary Treasurer.

Cup Council.

ADC James J. Swan stated Scouters’ Room Renovation Committee had the final improvements under way; and requested assistance of the Scout Committee.

A ”Crazy Night” was intimated for 20th September 1935.

Everton.

Mr W P Stratton reported progress with improved water supply at Everton. The Greenock Co-operative Society were carrying out contract at a cost of £32.16/-.

Bathing Pool improvements were held up meantime.

King George Trust Fund.

ADC Holmes intimated that final meeting of the Local Committee of the King George Trust Fund had been held; and that money was to be forwarded to London by Sir Hugh Shaw Stewart. It had been suggested by the Committee that local Organisations should apply for grants forthwith. Applications to be made to Mr. AH Gray, stating for what object, or objects, the money is required. Mr Holmes was warmly thanked for his services.

It was agreed to make immediate application for a grant of £50 pounds for Headquarter improvements.

Resignation- M Paterson- 52nd.

The resignation of Mr M Paterson as ASM of the 52nd Group, was submitted and accepted. Agreed Mr Paterson be thanked for his services.

Warrant Application- R Morrison- 52nd.

Applications for ASM warrants in name of Mr R Morrison, 52nd group and a CM warrant in name of J McCrindle of 38th Group submitted and approved.

Swimming Gala Returns- 14th June.

Intimated that following Groups had still to make returns in connection with Swimming Gala held on 14th June last: 7th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 39th, 70th and 86th.

7th Group.

Agreed to accept 7th Group's invitation to attend the Dedication of their Colours on Sunday 13th October 1935.

DSM

On GSM A. Ritchie being appointed District Scout Master, the District Commissioner presented him with the District Scout Master’s Hat Badge.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 24th September, 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie, Duncan M Holmes, A. Lyle; Messrs. W.P. Stratton; Fred Gale; J. Hume; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 22nd, ,32nd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, and 86th.

Attending GSM Wm Gow, Hon. Treasurer; Colin Finnie Sr, Hon Badge Secretary;

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Minutes of Meeting.

The minutes of meeting 27th August 1935 were submitted and approved on motion of GSM J. Dally and seconded by ADC DM Holmes.

Presentation of Warrants.

The following received warrants from District Commissioner: -ASM William Ferguson, 7th Group; SM GB Mitchell, 22nd Group; CM. Miss M Gall, 59th Group.

Finance.

The following accounts were passed for payments:-

Thomas Black and Sons Ltd., 3/-, McAllister and Fyfe, 2/-; Secretary, Greenock Central Cooperative Society 8/-, WP Stratton (sundry expenses to be met for work on improved water supply) amounting in all to £2.3.7. It was agreed that the statement of accounts for AGM be printed.

Rovers Report

Reported that at an early date that a class for Signalling would be started and it was asked of all GSM's that notice of same be conveyed to all Rovers.

Cub Council.

Report of Annual Meeting of Cub Council dated 13th September 1935 was submitted and confirmed. Copy retained for records.

Badge Committee.

Reported that 1051 badges issued during year, but not one 1st Class Badge was amongst this number.

Everton Water Supply.

Committee reported that water supply scheme was now completed and everything was in order for next season. It was also reported that estimates had been sent off for proposed Swimming Pool (whose dimensions would be about 30 feet by 24 feet & 5 feet deep at one end, 3 feet deep at other) and that replies for same had been received. It was agreed that this Committee be granted full powers to go ahead with scheme.

Warrant Applications.

Applications for warrant as ACM of 3rd Group by Miss A McNeil, and for warrant as ASM of 59th Group by George Farish were submitted and approved.

Dedication of Colours Parade.

Arrangements for Dedication of 7th Group’s Colours were as follows:-

Sunday 13th October 1935 at 1.45 pm. Groups (without Cub Sections) would meet at Wellpark. Parades would move off at 2.00 pm in following order. 5th Group Band leading; 7th Group; Cup Masters; Scout Troops; Rovers. After the service; parade returns to Cemetery Gate for dismissal. Troops to carry colours.

County Executive Meeting.

Chairman reported that the reports on this year's Summer Camps for Groups from the District were all good.

The AGM would be held in November. It was also reported that the County Flag competition for 1936 would be the same as before, that Troops would be visited on their ordinary meeting night; In future, however, Troop which wins will not be eligible for next competition, but that the SM of that Troop would be an examiner.

Colin Finnie, Junior, Chairman.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 29th October, 1935,**

**Meeting of Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs., Colin Finnie Jr., Duncan N Holmes, J~~. Dally~~ and representatives from: 5th, 10th, 70th,Groups.

Messrs.; Colin Finnie Sr, W.P. Stratton, F. Gale and J. Hume.

Minute of Meeting.

Minute of meeting of Association held 24th September 1935 was made and confirmed on the motion of SM A Ritchie, seconded by ADC AI Lyle.

Colin Finnie, Chairman, 29th October 1935

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 29th October, 1935, at 8 o’clock p.m.**

**Being Annual General Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

Ryrie Orr, Esq. M.A., Hon. President; C.C. Arthur Muir; D.C. Herbert W. Butter; Colin Finnie Jr, (A.D.C. for Camping); Arthur I. Lyle (A.D.C.); Duncan M Holmes, (ADC for Rovers); William Shearer, (ADC); Wm Gow (Hon. Treasurer); Colin Finnie Sr (Hon Badge Secretary); DSM Archibald Ritchie; DRSL E. W. Salmon; J. Hume Esq; W.P. Stratton Esq.; John T MacDonald Esq.; F. Gale Esq.; Colin RD Brown Esq; Rev. Alexander Philp; and Representatives of the following Groups, 5th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th.

A.D.C. Colin Finnie in the Chair.

Apologies.

Apologies were received from DRSL E Salmon (who arrived later), and A. Rutherford, Honorary Secretary.

Vice Presidents Councillor James A Morrison; Isobell Kerr, Colonel Hewison, Major Guy Shaw-Stewart, Walter Scott Esq., (County Secretary).

Minute of meeting.

Minute of meeting dated 30th October 1934 was read and approved on the motion of a DC Duncan M Holmes and the seconding of GSM John Dally.

Reports.

The District Commissioner Mr HW Butter submitted his report for the year, and a report was read by the Chairman from the Honorary Secretary. The Honorary Treasurer, Mr William Gow, explained the financial report, copies of which had been distributed to members present.

Mr Ryrie Orr, the President, proposed the acceptance of these reports and gave some encouraging words to the meeting. Mr F Gale seconded. The reports were adopted.

Office Bearers.

The following were appointed Office Bearers of the Association for the year 1935 - 36.

Honorary President- Mr Ryrie Orr Esq. MA JP FRGS.

Honorary Vice Presidents- Rt. Hon. Lord Inverclyde

Colonel HM Hewison MC

Colonel David Paterson DSO

James Christie Esq. OBE

James W Bell Esq. Provost

Lieutenant Colonel Guy Shaw Stewart,

Rev. Douglas Troup.

Thomas Baxter Esq.

Chairman - Rev. Alexander Philp

Vice Chairman- ADC JJ Swan Esq.

Honorary Secretary- A. Ian Dunlop.

Honorary Treasurer- John McDonald Esq.

Badge Secretary- Colin Finnie, Senior Esq.

Camp Skipper- RSL Ernest Salmon Esq

Master of Works at Seafield- ADC Duncan M Holmes

From 1st Jan 1936 District Cub Master- Miss Jean Tulloch

From 1st Jan 1936 District Scout Master- Mr Archibald Ritchie

From 1st Jan 1936 District Rover Scout Leader- Mr Fred Gale.

Auditors- Messrs JM Kerr and Lindsay.

Co-option of Members.

It was agreed again to co-opt representatives of Girl Guides, the Boys Brigade, Toc H, and School Management Committee.

Appointment of Representatives.

To County Scout Council- GSM John Dally, Chairman.

To Scottish Headquarters- GSM John Dally, Chairman, Secretary.

Committees

The following Committees were appointed.

Finance and Everton- Chairman

Secretary, Camp Skipper, District Commissioner, Treasurer,

Badge Secretary, Master of Works.

Sea Scout- District Commissioner, ADC A.I. Lyle, CM S. Thompson.

Treasurer and Secretary Retiring.

The Chairman asked that a letter should be sent to the retiring Secretary Mr Rutherford, thanking him for his services and hoping that he would keep in touch with the Association. The retiring Treasurer Mr Gow was also thanked for his services during his six years of office.

Address of CC

The County ~~Secretary~~ Commissioner spoke to the meeting and asked the Association to thank the retiring Chairman Mr Colin Finnie, Jr for his services.

He congratulated the Association on the way things were going and spoke some words in praise of Mr Rutherford. He said that matters at Everton were going on satisfactorily and hoped full use would be taken of the new facilities. The year's camp reports were good and the census papers were very quickly returned to the County Secretary.

He pointed out that there were no First Class Badges, however, and hoped that an advance would be made in this direction. He submitted a letter from SHQ asking for £20 as this District's contribution.

He also gave notice of the Annual Reunion at Barrhead on 9th November.

Chairmans Reply.

Mr Finnie suitably replied.

Annual Social.

Was to be discussed at next meeting.

Annual Armistice Parade

It was decided to hold a Parade on Sunday 10th November to Wellpark at 2.15 for the purpose of laying a wreath on the Cenotaph. The DSM was asked to make arrangements. Cub Officers to attend.

Secretary and Scout Notes.

The Secretary agreed to take charge of Scout Notes.

This was all the business.

Alec Phillip, Chairman

A Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall, Esplanade on Tuesday, 26th November, 1935,**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC Arthur I. Lyle; ADC. William Shearer; ADC Colin Finnie Jr.; DCM Miss Tulloch, DSM A. Ritchie, DRSL Fred Gale; Messrs. J. Hume; W.P. Stratton

and representatives of following Groups~~: 4~~~~th~~, 7th, 10th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th and 4th Greenock.

Attending Colin Finnie Esq, Honorary Badge Secretary; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Introduction of New Chairman.

DC HW Butter introduced the new Chairman Rev. Alex Philp to the meeting and thanked him for coming and helping Scouting in Greenock.

Presentation of Warrants.

GSM William McKillop (22nd) was presented with his warrant by the DC.

Minutes.

Some pieces relative to the business of the meeting were read from the minutes of the Annual Meeting.

Reports - Finance.

The following is a summary of the business done at Finance Committee Meeting-

Following accounts passed for payment-

Thomas Black and Son £0.6.8

1. Hannah (Seafield cartage) £0.3.6

Electric cables for lights £2.6.0 paid by treasurer

Rent £20.0.0 paid by treasurer

Corporation (Electricity) £1.19.11

Corporation (Gas) £0.7.2

Shephard and Son (keys) £0.6.9

Balance Sheet Printing £0.19 .0

The payment of local rates was left over until beginning of new year.

The depreciation of fittings at Seafield amounting to 10% mentioned in Balance Sheet is hereby incorporated in the minutes.

Letters from the Ornothological Society and from Junior Instruction Centre asking for use of Seafield were ordered to be forwarded to Secretary of Badminton Club.

Cub Report

A report was received from the Cub Council, the main parts of which were the appointment of a new Secretary, Miss McEachran, and the work done by the Council in renovating the Scouters’ Room.

Badge Report

Badge Secretary reported that there were now 3 1st Class Badges held in Association, an increase of 3 since the 30th September.

Everton Pond Committee

No more had been done at Everton since the last meeting.

There was no report from Sea Scout Committee or Rover Council.

Warrants

Application in name of Janet Reid Anderson, 59th ACM, was read and approved, subject to another person's signature being appended.

Cancellations - following warrants were received for cancellation;

Thomas Kirkwood (ASM 5th)

Mrs M Beaven (ACM 7th)

James Hall (SM 3rd)

James C Cowan (GSM 50th)

Letters were read from Mrs. Beaven and Mr. Cowan.

Voting.

After discussion, it was decided that following have power to vote - all commissioners, lay members, GSM's, SMs, CM’s, RSLs, and one ACM, ASM, ARSL if CM, SM, RL is absent.

Letter from SHQ.

A letter from SHQ was read asking for contributions. It was decided after discussion that the Association as an Association could make no contribution but that Troops might make individual contributions if they wished or felt able to do so.

Annual Social.

Estimates were submitted for Annual Social and it was decided to hold same in Tontine Hotel. Friday 10th January was decided on as a provisional date.

A Committee was appointed to carry out arrangements - Treasurer, Secretary, DC and ADC J. Swan. It was decided that uniform was to be worn and that Vice-Presidents be invited. The cost was to be 3/-.

Seafield.

The District Commissioner brought forward statistics to show that the net cost of Seafield to the Association in last year was £31.12.8. He intimated that a Hut in Robertson St. formerly belonging to 4th Troop was for sale at a negotiable price of £100. The following Committee was asked to consider the question and report -

DC; ADC Mr. Swan; DSM Mr Ritchie; ADC Mr Shearer; Mr Stratton; ADC Mr Holmes, (Master of Works).

The Committee met after the Association.

Next Meeting.

It was decided that the December meeting be held on the 17th and the January meeting on the 21st January.

Mr Malcolm Paterson

Asked why his letter of resignation as ASM of the 52nd had not been read at a previous meeting, it was objected that Mister Paterson was not a member of the Association, but he was granted permission to speak. After discussion, it was agreed that his letter should be read, and this was done. More discussion ensued and in the end the matter was settled to the satisfaction of Mr Paterson and his former GSM, who had previously objected to Mr Paterson parading with another Troop at the Armistice Parade.

Alex Philp, Chairman

A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 10th December, 1935,**

**Being the Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC William Shearer; District Cub Master, Miss J Tulloch; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th and 4th Greenock; and from Cub Council, Mr. H.L. Campbell.

Attending Colin Finnie Esq, Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 26th November 1935 were read and approved.

Apology and Proxy.

An apology for absence was read from ADC Colin Finnie Jr and a letter was submitted appointing Mr S. Thompson as proxy for the meeting for ADC J. J. Swan.

Application.

An application for warrant as Assistant Cubmaster of 22nd Group in the name of Barbara Jean Fleming Wilson, was submitted and approved.

Letters.

Circulars from County Secretary re the following were read and distributed to the meeting.

\*Rover Conference at Stirling on 18th January 1936.

\*Annual SHQ Conference at Perth on 8th February 1936.

\*Western Area Social in Grand Hotel Glasgow on 11th January 1936.

\*An invitation from 70th Renfrewshire, asking the Association to attend a Parade to Finnart Church on 19th January for presentation of Colours was read. It was moved by WP Stratton and seconded by Honorary Treasurer that the Association attend as a District Parade. Arrangements were to be made by the District Scout Master who was not present.

Letters were read from 7th Group and 57th Pack asking for the use of Seafield. This was granted.

ARL R. Murray was thanked for his work in ‘unhitching’ some disused water pipes, and the Chairman warmly thanked Mr. John Dally junior for his work on the electrical equipment at Seafield. The Secretary was asked also to thank ADC A. I. Lyle for his assistance with the electrical work.

Reports- Finance.

The Treasurer announced that some Registration Fees had still to come in and he appealed that they be sent to him soon. It was moved by WP Stratton, seconded by GSM John Dally and agreed ‘that, hereafter, if Groups did not pay their fees before 30th December, i.e. 3 months after they are due, they should lose all voting powers on the Association. It was recommended that this fee should be paid when the Registration Census Returns were made, i.e. before 3rd October.

Badge Committee

It was announced by Badge Secretary that several more 1st Class badges had been gained.

Everton Pond & Rover Council

There were no reports from the Everton Pond Committee or the Rover Council.

Cub Report.

A report from the Cub Council was read. Permission was requested and granted to hold a Cub Parade on 22nd December to Martyr’s and North Church, and it stated that the Christmas Toy Distribution would take place on 28th December.

A “Crazy Night” was to be held on 20th December.

Annual Social.

Tickets could now be had from the Honorary Treasurer for the Annual Social, Supper and Dance to be held in the Tontine Hotel. It was announced that the provisional date, the 10th January, had proved unsuitable and that Wednesday 15th January had been decided upon.

Mr W P Stratton supported by Mr. John Dally suggested that there should be some form of entertainment as well as dancing. This was agreed upon.

New Let.

District Commissioner HW Butter announced that the Committee which had been asked to make a survey had done so and had since met. They had offered £80, but, in learning that, there were offers of £100, this latter sum was recommended to be offered, subject to the Trustees of the Margaret Street Property agreeing to help payment.

It was announced that rates amounting to £8 per annum would require to be paid, contrary to information previously given, but that this year, for the first time, water rates were being demanded for Seafield, amounting to £6.6.

It was agreed that a general appeal be issued, asking for £80 wherewith to renovate the property and carry out the necessary repairs, if the Association confirmed the Committee's recommendation, which had been unanimous, to move our Headquarters from Seafield, which we rented, to Robertson Street Hut, which we would own.

The Secretary, seconded by Miss M Phillipon moved that we should move our Headquarters to Robertson St. Hut. The motion was unanimously carried and a form of appeal was read and adopted. The existing Committee was re-elected and the DC was thanked for his work. The work of the Committee was highly appreciated.

Savings Circular.

The Chairman recommended to the notice of Scouters, a letter from the National Savings Committee (Greenock) and read excerpts from the letter.

Alex Philp- Chairman

A Ian Dunlop- Hon Secretary

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 14th January, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs Duncan M. Holmes, Arthur I. Lyle, William Shearer; District Cub Master, Miss J Tulloch; District Scout Master Arch. Ritchie: District Rover Scout Leader Fred Gale: Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups; 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, and 4th Greenock. Mr. H.L. Campbell, Cub Council.

Attending Colin Finnie Esq, Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq. Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

William Chalmers.

Before the meeting began, the DC spoke to those present about the death of William Chalmers in Singapore. He said the recently Mr Chalmers had been enrolled as a Deep Sea Scout and that Mr. Chalmer’s death had been a great loss to him and to all his friends in the Movement. Sympathy was expressed for friends and relatives of Mr Chalmers in their sad loss, and it was asked that a copy of this minute be sent to his parents.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Apology.

An apology for absence from ADC Colin Finnie Junior was read.

Warrants.

It was announced that the following warrants had been received for cancellation-

Miss D Harold (CM 88th); JP Baxter (GSM 3rd); T Maitland (ACM 57th); S. Munn (ASM 33rd).

A list of warrants still required was read to the meeting.

Property.

It was here suggested that letters should be sent to controlling authorities of Troops now non-existent asking what was to be done with property belonging to these Groups.

Letters etc.

Pamphlets were distributed to Groups-

“A manual for Scotland”, Notes on Wood Badge 1936, “Duty to the King”, “Amendments to POR”.

Reports - Finance

The following accounts were reported paid,

To DC for cleaning Seafield £2

To Boy Scouts Equipment in London £1.5.5

Electric light installation £4.7.6

minus discount 7/6 given by John Dally Jr £3.10.0

The following accounts were passed for payment.

William Orr (House furnishers)

65 Sq ft Boardings (Everton) £1.15.0

Corporation Eelectricity (subject to a

possible reduction by a third by

Badminton Club) £9.5.2

Gas 8/5

Secretary’s Expenses (3 months) 9/1½

A letter had been received from Miss MI Love asking for use of Seafield Hall. This was to be forwarded to Honorary Secretary of Badminton Club. A letter had been received from Messrs M McLearie, A Scott, S Wren asking for permission to use the 5th Hut at Everton as a canteen for 1936. This was granted subject to approval of the Camp Skipper.

The Treasurer announced that there were still some registration fees outstanding. He was also asked to notify defaulters. He also announced that he had not yet received any Everton locker fees.

Seafield Pack

A report was read from the Cub Pack (Seafield), the salient points of which were as follows-\*350 toys had been distributed to poor children.

\*A Cub Display was to be held in Seafield on April 22nd.

\*There were nine entries for Football Competition.

The Pack were complemented on their work of distribution of toys at Christmas time.

Annual Social Committee Report

Arrangements were made for Annual Social on 15th January. All the tickets were sold. It was hoped that this function would be a success.

New Headquarters Committee Report.

DC announced that the owner of the hall in Robertson St had agreed to sell to gentlemen appointed as Trustees for the Property, but would not sell to the Association as such. It was thought that the arrangement could be made. The DC announced that it would probably be necessary to call a Special Meeting of the Association in about a fortnight.

Parade to Finnart Church.

The District Scout Master gave arrangements for Parade to Finnart Church on 19th January for presentation of Colours to 70th Renfrewshire Group.

32nd Group Anniversary.

The District Commissioner congratulated the 32nd Group on reaching their majority on 25th February. A Social was being held to celebrate the occasion. He expressed his good wishes for the 32nd Group and the Association warmly applauded.

Warrant.

The DC presented a warrant after the meeting to GSM Thomas Kirkwood, 23rd Group.

This was all the business.

Alex Philp, Chairman

1. Ian Dunlop, Hon Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 4th February, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being a Special Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC William Shearer; District Cub Master, Miss J Tulloch; District Rover Leader Mr. Fred Gale; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups; 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 70th, 86th and 4th Greenock, and Mr. H.L. Campbell from the Cub Council.

Attending Colin Finnie Esq, Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

DC. Herbert W. Butter in the Chair.

Death of His Late Majesty George V.

The Chairman spoke a few words about his Late Majesty, King George V, Patron to the Association. The Association stood in silence for two minutes as a mark of respect to him and of sorrow at his death.

Deaths of Relatives of Members.

The Chairman also spoke of the losses sustained by Mr. Duncan M Holmes in the death of his mother and by Mr Thomas Kirkwood in the death of his father. He expressed sympathy with these gathered on behalf of the Association.

New Headquarters.

It was announced that the Trustees of the Margaret Street Property had agreed to pay the cost of the hall in Robertson Street which had been proposed as new Headquarters. This would amount to £100 to be paid in two years. A letter from the Mansion House was read putting forward a proposal that the ground rent should be raised from 14/- to £3 per year, in return for which Ardgowan Estates would keep the paling in good repair. After discussion and on the proposal of Colin RD Brown, being seconded by Mr WP Stratton, this was agreed to.

There was a letter from the Factors asking if we were going to continue the Let of Seafield. It was agreed that we vacate Seafield at the May term.

The question of fittings arose next. The movable fittings were, if possible, to be sold to the next tenant, or at least an agreement might be made about all fittings. If the new tenants did not choose to treat with us about these, it was possible that the rent of £40 granted to us at such a low figure because of the purpose for which the building is used, might be raised at their entry. It was thought that an agreement could be reached.

The Trustees had asked for a Valuator's Estimate of the New Property. This had been received and had been set at £80. The report also detailed necessary repairs required.

A special appeal was being issued, as read at last meeting, with this difference, that a paragraph was added explaining a Banker’s Order which was to be enclosed with the appeal. It was hoped that there would be a large response.

The lease with the Ardgowan Estates could now be arranged for £3 per annum for 10 years.

Committee.

A new Committee to authorise and carry out repairs to the new building was formed as follows.

Mr W P Stratton; Mr. Dally; Mr Gale; Miss Tulloch; Miss Phillipson; Mr Swan; Mr Holmes; District Commissioner.

The Committee were to negotiate for the sale of fittings, after having put a value on them. The Committee were given co-opting powers.

DSM's Resignation.

A letter was read from GSM Archibald Ritchie resigning from his office owing to pressure of work. On the motion of DRSL Fred Gale, seconded by Mr Colin Brown, the Hon. Treasurer, John T McDonald, was elected as the new District Scout Master.

League of Nations Union Service.

It was announced that the League of Nations Union were holding a Service in the Town Hall on 10th February at 8.0 o’clock. The Scouts were asked to attend.

Mourning.

Mourning for the late King George would cease on 20th February for all Scouts and Scouters in uniform.

Thanks.

The Treasurer thanked all concerned for their generous help and support at the Annual Social, which was a great success. He appealed for the early payment of tickets and also for the payment of registration fees, a few of which were still outstanding.

New Parade Regulations.

New regulations for all parades would be submitted at the next meeting.

This was all the business.

1. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary

Alex Philp, Chairman

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 3rd March, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC Duncan M. Holmes; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, JT McDonald; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 3rd, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 59th, 70th, and 86th.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Congratulations to 32nd.

The Chairman conveyed the congratulations of the Association to the 32nd Group on attainment of their majority and to their Group Scout Master William Shearer on his being presented with the Medal of Merit.

Warrant.

Warrant as ASM in 59th Group was presented to Mr George Farrish.

Minutes.

Minutes of meetings 14/1/36 and 4/2/36 were read and approved.

Apology.

An apology for absence was made on behalf of GSM William Shearer.

Warrant Applications.

The following applications for warrants were read.

CRD Brown (GSM, 38th) Miss J Kerr (ACM, 9th)

A.I. Dunlop (GSM, 70th) Charles Thompson (SM, 59th)

JB Hardy (SM, 70th) TC Wilson (ASM, 38th)

William Ferguson (SM, 7th)

All were approved.

Warrant Cancellation.

A letter was read from James H Hoare resigning his office as ASM of 38th Group and enclosing his warrant.

Letters.

A letter was read from the County Secretary giving information about the Northern Counties Jamboree.

No reply had yet been received from Rev. WW Peden and about 1st Group property.

Competitions.

The following Committee was appointed and asked to deal with this season's Competitions, the County Flag, Shannon Cup, Victory Trophy, Fire Shield, Football Shield, Public Service Vase.

- Mr Butter, Mr Kirkwood, Mr. Swan, Mr. Farrish, Mr. John Dally junior, Mr C Thomson, and the Hon Secretary (ex off.) Circulars about County Fag were distributed.

Reports – Finance, Lets and Everton

Following accounts passed and paid.

Water rates £6.6.0

Local rates £13.10.0.

Tontine Hotel and Band (Annual Social) £20.7.6.

Smith and McCurg (Estimate) £1.1.0.

Laing (Memorial Wreath) £1.3.0.

George College (Typing of Circulars) 4.2

Telegraph (Printing Advert of AGM). 14.0

WB McCubbin 1.6

Electricity 13.9

Gas 9.2.

Let to 7th Troop for Thursday evening 5th March and use of 25 card tables granted.

The Appeal so far had raised £20.16.0.

Everton 1936.

The Camp Skipper had held a meeting of several Scouters asking them to act as deputies for him at Everton on some weekends during April and May. The following announcements were made

\*The Camp Skipper or his deputy will be in charge every weekend.

\*There will be two Sundays during the summer when parents will be admitted to the camp. \*Troops will be allowed to visit Everton during March to improve camp sites.

\*Written permission from SM or GSM must be produced when anyone takes Scouts to Everton.

\*Person in charge must report to Camp Skipper or deputy on arrival at Everton.

Everton Pond.

No additional work done because of unsuitability of weather. Scouts required for work still to be done if improved facilities are to be ready for summer.

New Headquarters.

Application for Extension had been granted by Mansion House. Offer of £17.10.0 had been received for fittings in Seafield, from new Tenant. Plans were being prepared for Dean of Guild Court.

It had been decided that a flat roof be put on the extension. Estimates were to be asked for from plumbers and builders for the work of extending. Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and Mr. A. Swain had been co-opted. D.C. had been appointed Convener.

Mr. Stratton announced that he was resigning from the Everton Pond and the New Headquarter Committee.

Special Meeting

It was resolved that a Special Association Meeting be convened for this day week, March 10th, to discuss methods of obtaining financial assistance from Groups.

Cub Report

Meeting held 7/2/36. Flower service to be held on 19th April 1936. Mr. David Ramsey had judged entries for Art Competition and results had been as follows 5th, 45th, 22nd, 10th. A course of training was carried through.

Juvenile Organisation Committee (JOC)

The Secretary had attended the formation meeting of the JOC in Greenock on 25th February and gave report of procedure. It was agreed that if the Association were called upon to send a representative to any JOC meeting, Mr. DM Holmes should attend. To this, he agreed.

Appeal for Tinfoil League.

The Treasurer made an appeal on behalf of the Tinfoil League. He asked that tin foil should be collected and sent to him.

Next Meeting.

The next Association monthly meeting was called for 31st March.

Jas. Swan, Chairman

A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 10rd March, 1936 at 8.0 pm o’clock**

**Being a Special Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADC William Shearer; District Scout Master JT McDonald; District Rover Leader, Fred Gale; Mr. W.P. Stratton; Mr. Hume, and Representatives of the following Groups: 3rd, 5th, 7th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd , 57th, 70th, and 86th.

Attending John T. MacDonald Esq. Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Sec.

Mr. H.W, Butter in the Chair.

Chairman.

The DC was appointed Chairman in the absence of Mr Philp. Mr Philp had sent apologies for absence.

Minutes.

The Secretary read the part of the minutes of meeting dated 3/3/36 relevant to the present meeting.

Finance.

The Chairman pointed out that the Association would still require a considerable sum to renovate the new Headquarters. The appeal had raised about £20, and probably another £20 would be raised on fittings. Thus, putting a rough estimate of £80 on the alterations, there was still required about £40. This would be required before May and every effort would require to be made to have the money by that time.

The following Troops represented promised to give what assistance was in their power, 3rd, 5th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 45th, 70th, 86th. The representative of the 52nd could not give definite assurance in absence of GSM. The 10th and 32nd impressed the fact that they would like to see other troops helping besides the 10th and 32nd. The 7th and 57th were unable to give assurances. The 38th, though not represented, were ready to help. The following were not represented - 9th, 11th, 39th, 50th, 59th, 89th.

All information about estimates would probably be ready for 31st March.

Gramophone Recital.

It was suggested that Messrs. Tennant should be asked to give a gramophone recital in Seafield on Wednesday 25th March at 7.30 pm for Scout funds. It was thought that 10/6 would have to be paid to the Performing Light’s Society. 6d should be charged and the “Bulletin” should be asked to print programmes. It might be advertised by bills.

Basket Tea etc.

It was suggested that a Basket Tea and Dance or Basket Tea and Concert should be held in Seafield, but these proposals were turned down, as were also that of a Flannel Dance and a Concert.

Art Club.

The Chairman said that he wished to put to the meeting the suggestion that the new Headquarters be let to the Art Cub on Mondays and Saturdays at a rent of £13 per annum. A discussion ensued in which the matter of allowing Troops to use the new hall for Troop meetings was brought up. On the motion of Mr W P Stratton, seconded by Mr. J Hume, (the offer was accepted) (to favourably consider the suggestion).

This was all the business.

James J Swan, Chairman.

Ian Dunlop Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 31st March, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs Wm Shearer, A.I. Lyle, Colin Finnie, Jr.; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. McDonald; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Camp Skipper, E. Salmon; and Representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 86th, and Mr. Hugh Campbell of the Cub Council.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer;

Vice-Chairman, James J. Swan in the Chair.

Rev. Alex Philp took the Chair later.

Warrant.

A warrant as ACM of 22nd Group was presented to Miss BJF Wilson.

Minutes.

Minutes of meetings 3rd and 10th March were read and adopted.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were read from A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary, and Messrs T Kirkwood and WP Stratton.

Camping at Milliken.

The Chairman referred to a Circular relating to camping facilities at Milliken, stating that all information can be had from Hon. Secretary.

Swimming Gala.

It was moved by C. Finnie Jr and seconded by Colin Brown that the Gala be held on Friday 5th June 1936. This was carried unanimously. On the motion of J. Dally Sr., seconded by A. MacQuarrie, it was agreed that if said date cannot be had, the Gala be held on a later date and not earlier than 5th June 1936. The following Gala Committee was appointed - Messrs E Salmon, R Morrison, S Thompson, J. Swan, and I Kirkwood. It was also stated that there would be a fee of 30/- charged for use of Baths this year.

Reports- Finance etc

The following account was passed for payment

H. Ferrier (110 Bankers Orders 6/6.)

It was unanimously decided that cement, paint, wood, disinfectant etc be obtained for Everton.

Everton Pond.

The pool is expected to be finished by the end of the April and to be ready for use by the end of June. It was suggested that a Field Day be held in connection with the opening of the pond. This suggestion being carried, campfire rehearsals should be held in Seafield Hall every Monday night at 7.30 pm, commencing 13th April 1936. After a rather lengthy discussion on same, the motion of J Hume seconded by John Dally Jr that we hold a field day was carried by 8 votes to 3 votes against the amendment of C. Finnie junior, seconded by S. Thompson that the matter be left on the table until next meeting.

The following were appointed to Field Day Committee - Messrs S Thomson, John Dally Jr, R Morrison, J.J. Swan, and Miss Jean Tulloch.

New Headquarters.

The question of a name for the new Headquarters was put to the meeting. It was unanimously agreed to leave the matter over until next meeting. A copy of the lease and agreement was read to the meeting and unanimously approved. A committee called the Day Committee was appointed to supervise the removal of fittings from Seafield to new Headquarters. The following were appointed- Messrs. F. Gale, J Hume, J McCrindle. Plans were sent to Town Clerk to be passed by Dean of Guild Court on Thursday. The DC had made application to Sir Arthur Rose, Special Areas Commissioner for Scotland and £100 had been allocated for use of Scouts. A condition of the grant was that lowest estimates be taken. Estimates were to hand. Mr Hector Russell had offered £25 pounds for Seafield fittings if he gets the leather-topped table.

Cub Report

A meeting of the Cub Council had been held on 13th March. 10 Packs had entered for the Challenge Flag, the competition for which was to be held in Seafield on April 11th.

A Church Flower Service was being held in Wellpark Church on 19th April. Two training camps were being held in May. The Greenock Cubs first Annual Display would be held in Seafield on 22nd April at 7.30 pm.

Pirrie Park Parade

It was unanimously decided that the Parade and Open-Air Service be held at Pirrie Park on 7th June 1936.

Bible.

The Chairman, Rev. Alex Philp asked that the Association's deepest appreciation and gratitude be recorded to the minutes to the 70th Renfrewshire Group for their gift of a Bible to the Chapel at Everton.

Next Meeting.

The next Association monthly meeting was called for 28th April 1936.

Alex Philp, Chairman

Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 28th April, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs Colin Finnie, Jr.; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. McDonald; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Camp Skipper, E. Salmon; and Representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 52nd, 57th, 70th, 86th, and 4th Greenock.

Attending Colin Finnie Sr., Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Warrant

A warrant as ACM of the 38th Group was presented to Mr. James McCrindle.

DSM's Hat Badge.

Mr. JT McDonald, the District Scout Master, received his hat badge from the Chairman.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 10/3/36 were read and approved on the motion of Mr. John Dally, seconded by Mr. Colin RD Brown.

Thanks to JJ Swan.

Mr Philp expressed the Association's thanks to Mr JJ Swan, the Cub Commissioner, for his fine Cub Display held in Seafield on 22nd April, and for all the work he had put in to make it a success.

Cancellation.

A letter of resignation was read from RW Murray (ARL 7th Renfrewshire) who felt he must resign because of ill health.

Reports - Finance, Everton and Lets

The Treasurer appealed for more financial support from the Troops. To date, only 30/- had been received from the 3rd, and £1 from the 70th. The money was required for new Headquarters. The grant we were receiving for new Headquarters did not cover water, gas, electricity, or painting.

Locker rents for Everton were now due.

Everton Pond.

The DC was the new Convener of the Everton Pond Committee. He announced that the pond was ready for use when the cement was quite dry. Work was still required for filling in the sides of the pond and it was thought that swimming could begin about the middle of June.

New Headquarters.

The new HQ work was proceeding according the schedule. Estimates had been received as follows and accepted.

Joiner work (M. Kirkwood and Sn) £55

Plumber work (Cooperative) £40.10.10.

Gas installation, radiators etc (Corporation)

Scottish Electrical Contractors for Electrical Work.

The question of a name for new HQ occupied some time in discussion, but, finally, it was decided the call the building “Mafiking Hut”.

Day Committee.

Two members had resigned from the Day Committee, leaving Mr Gale alone. It was agreed that SMs should arrange with Mr Gale about supplying boys to help with necessary digging.

Seafield Cub.

A meeting of the Cub Council had been held in Seafield on Friday 3rd April at 8.0 pm.

It was agreed that two Cub Officer Training Camps be held at Greenacre on 16th - 17th & 23rd -24th May 1936.

The 5th Pack had won the Challenge Flag this year, 8 Packs having entered and Miss Whytock of Langbank being the Examiner.

A flower service had been held to Wellpark Church on Sunday 19th April, 180 Cubs attending.

The DC had presented certificates after a programme of training.

Badges.

The Badge Secretary announced that there was a big improvement in the number of Cub badges gained.

Field Day.

13th June was suggested as a suitable day for the Field Day at Everton in connection with the opening of the pond. The Committee were to meet and make arrangements.

Drumhead Service and Parade.

This was to be held on 7th June. Mr Philp, the Chairman, was asked to officiate and to ask someone else to assist him. Lady representatives from Groups were asked to take a collection inside Pirrie Park gates. The DSM gave his orders for parades and said that copies of these were being sent to the GSM's. The 32nd were to parade the Colour Party and Guard, and the 10th were to break the flag. Cubs would parade in front of the Scout Parade.

This was all the business.

Alex. Philp, Chairman

A. Ian Dunlop Hon. Secretary

**At Greenock and within Seafield Hall on Tuesday, 26th May, 1936 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs Wm. Shearer, J.J. Swan, Duncan M. Holmes and A.I. Lyle; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. McDonald; District Rover Leader, Fred Gale; Camp Skipper, E. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 70th Renfrewshire, 4th Greenock and Cub Council.

Attending - John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

and Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Minutes.

The minutes of meeting held on 28th April were read and approved.

Apology.

An apology for absence was read from Colin Finnie Jr.

Warrant Cancellations and Applications.

An application for a new warrant as Scout Master of 11th Group from David Thomson was appraised. His old warrant as ASM was received for cancellation. Ronald King applied for a warrant as ASM of 11th Group, and his application was granted.

Letters.

A note from the ADC for Camping was read intimating that Summer Camping Forms were to be had from him.

A letter was read from John Hume (7th Renfrewshire) intimating gift of a propeller to new HQ and suggesting that this be put on the wall with a clock in the centre. The Chairman thanked the 7th Group for their gift and said that the Committee would keep the suggestion before it.

Finance Committee Report.

Following accounts had been passed for payment -

P Mackie (New HQ, 2 notice boards) £1.10.0.

Corporation Gas £0.18.10

First installation of Heater payment (new HQ) £0.16.7

Secretary’s expenses 5/2/36 - 24/5/36). £0.17.1½

In answer to appeal, 10/- have been received from Cooperative.

About £12 was in hand at present.

The Finance Committee had agreed that nothing could be done in the way of contributing to Milliken Camp Fund at present.

Lets.

Applications had been received as follows for use of new Headquarters.

23rd Group - Monday evenings, 6.30- 10.00.

45th Group - Wednesday evenings, 6.30 - 10.00.

4th Pack - Tuesday evening, 6.30 - 8.00.

This raised the general question of whether the hall should be let out to Groups, the Finance Committee desiring the Association to decide. After discussion of advisability of letting hall out, a motion was made by Mr Colin Brown, seconded by Mr JJ Swan, that the hall be let out on the understanding that it be left to the honour of the Scoutmasters concerned to make an effort to obtain Headquarters for their Groups other than Association Headquarters. The Let should be made monthly. Mr W P Stratton moved an amendment that the hall be not let out. Mr Brown's motion was carried.

The question of cost next arose. Discussion followed and then Mr Dally, seconded by Mr JT McDonald, proposed that a charge of 2/- per night be charged, regardless of time spent. However, an amendment of Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr JJ Swan to effect that 2/- be charged for full evening 6-10 pm or 1/- if only from 6 - 8 pm, was carried by 7 votes to 5. Any breakages were to be paid for by those responsible for breaking.

Competitions Committee

70th Renfrewshire (Finnart) Troop had won the Greenock Area Competition for the County Flag, Mr Docherty of Port Glasgow being the Examiner.

The Shannon Cup Competition was to be held on 30th-31st May at Everton. Mr. McWhirter of Barrhead was to be Examiner. Instructions had been issued to competing Troops.

Fire Shield and Public Service Vase Competitions would be held in Autumn.

Gala Committee.

Arrangements were being made for Gala on 5th June. 30/- would require to be paid for use of pond this year.

Mr. Swan (Convener of Committee) and Mr Kirkwood were in charge of programme; Mr Morrison, publicity; Mr Thomson, entries; Mr Salmon, prizes and trophies; and the Secretary, tickets, tax etc.

Tickets would be 6d and 1/-, Cubs, Scouts and Guides half price. Money and unused tickets to be handed in on or before date of Gala.

Cub Council Report.

\*Cub Council had met on 1st May at 8 pm.

\*Final arrangements had been made for Cub Masters’ camps at Greenacre.

\*It had been agreed to hold picnic on Saturday 6th June to Everton.

\*A Crazy Night had been held in Seafield on Friday 15th May to help to raise money towards Scout Field Day.

\*A Flower Service to Wellpark Church had been attended by 180 Cubs on Sunday 19th April. After the service, flowers were taken to Combination Hospital and Royal Infirmary.

\*Cub Display. About 350 Cubs took part in Display held in Seafield on Wednesday 22nd April. Mr A. Muir, County Commissioner, and Mr HW Butter, District Commissioner, inspected parade. Mr Butter also took salute. Miss Duncan, ACC (Cubs) presented trophies for the competitions carried out during the year, the following being the winners-

Challenge Flag 5th Pack.

Art Trophy 5th Pack.

Football Shield 22nd Pack.

Several stunts were carried through by the Packs and a campfire concluded the programme. Scouts and Scouters who helped were thanked.

\*Finances

Collection £9.7.9.

Expenses £6.6. 6½.

£3.1.3½

To Association to help paying for new Headquarters £1.

Balance £2.1.3½.

Field Day.

The Field Day Committee had made arrangements for a Field Day in connection with opening of new pond on 13th June, conditional on permission of Mr Hamilton of Ardgowan Estates being given. Since, however, the whole question of visitors at Everton was now changed and no visitors at all were allowed by Mansion House, it was decided to have a quiet opening of Pond by those campers who happened to be present that weekend.

Drumhead Service.

This would be held on 7th June. Wellington and British Legion Bands would attend. Mr Philp would officiate with help of Mr Rathbone Lee. Lady Collectors were required from Groups to assist. The Parade would assemble at 2.15 pm.

Jumble Sale.

An application from 23rd Group to use the new HQ for a jumble sale on 13th June, was turned down.

New HQ Report.

The District Commissioner thanked all Scouts and Scouters who had assisted with taking down the Flagstaff and removing it to Robertson St.

New Vice President.

On the motion of Mr JJ Swan, seconded by Mr Morrison, Lord Beresford was made a Vice President of the Association.

New HQ Name.

Mr Butter suggested that the name “Mafeking Hut” was somewhat unsuitable as a name for Scout Headquarters and thought that the Association should rescind its former ruling on this point. Mr Colin Brown said that this might create a dangerous precedent. Mr Shearer moved that we rescind and he was seconded by Mr Gale. Mr Brown's amendment that we do not rescind was defeated. Several names were suggested but, at last, it was agreed that “Boy Scouts Association, Greenock District, Headquarters” would suit all concerned.

This was moved by Mr Dally, seconded by Mr. Brown.

Headquarters Committee.

It was suggested that a Committee, called the Headquarters Committee, be formed to look after the new premises. The following were appointed members of Committee.

Mr JJ Swan, Mr Gale, Honorary Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer. The Master of Works (Seafield), Mr DM Holmes resigned.

JOC.

Mr. Duncan Holmes, appointed on 3rd March as our representative to JOC, said he had attended a meeting of organisations in District forming JOC. Colonel Paterson was to be Chairman of new JOC and an Executive Committee was being formed. The Association (meeting) was asked to appoint someone to the Executive. Mr Holmes was duly appointed.

Last Meeting in Seafield.

The Chairman, Rev. A Philp, noted that this was the last meeting in Seafield and pointed out that, although we were looking forward to using the new HQ, we looked back with pleasure at the 9 years spent in Seafield.

Appreciation.

Mr Colin RD Brown closed the meeting by saying that we must all appreciate the work done by Mr Butter in connection with new HQ, especially with regard to obtaining the necessary money and grants.

This was all the business.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

A.Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 23rd June, 1936 at 8.0 o’clock pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs J.J. Swan, Duncan M. Holmes, William Shearer, A.I. Lyle and Colin Finnie Jr.; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. McDonald; District Rover Leader, Fred Gale; Mr. & Mrs. Pearson, and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th and 86th Renfrewshire.

Attending - John T. MacDonald Esq., Hon Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Warrants.

The District Commissioner presented warrants to the following - Miss Jean Kerr, (ACM 9th), John B. Hardie (SM 70th), Thos. Wilson (ASM 38th).

Shannon Cup.

The Chairman presented the Shannon Cup to the winning Patrol (from the 32nd Troop). The Patrol marched in and the PL received the Cup for the Patrol. The Chairman congratulated the members in their great achievement.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 26 May 1936 were read and approved.

Apology.

An apology was read from Lord Beresford who had intended being present, but who was prevented from being so by indisposition.

Mr Pearson and his wife were welcomed by the Chairman who paid tribute to the useful work done by Mr. Pearson in removing the flagstaff to new HQ.

Warrant Cancellations.

The following warrants were received for cancellation - James Snoddy (SM 11th), EA Brockwell (SM 38th), William McCrindle (ASM 38th).

Reports - Finance, Everton and Lets

The following accounts had been passed for payment.

John A. Simpson and Co Ltd. (Cement and sand) £0. 6. 0.

Matthew Kirkwood, Joiner and Builder (wood

and clearing pond) £6. 17. 6.

Greenock C Coop. Society (clearing drains etc) £1. 12. 0.

P Mackie, Painter (New HQ painting interior

and exterior) £17.2.2.

Scottish Western Electrical Contractors Limited (wiring HQ). £12. 4.3.

Giving a total of £38 .1. 11.

10/- had been received as a donation from Messrs Gilchrists Drapers..

The Committee recommended that a Fire Insurance Policy should be taken out for new HQ to the value of about £200 at a premium of about £1. 1. 0.

The Committee also recommended that the new Committee formed to look after the new Headquarters should deal with the following -

It should prepare rules for use in Headquarters; recommend painting and repairs necessary to the Finance Committee; should grant Lets and see to collecting of rents for Lets.

This was accepted, with the exception of the last two items. After discussion, it was decided that Lets should be left to the Finance Committee and that the Treasurer himself should see to the collection of Lets. Mr Finnie Jr. proposed these amendments to the report and he was seconded by Mr Dally.

The Chairman, Secretary and District Commissioner were empowered to deal with emergency Lets.

Treasurer's Report and DSM's Report

Mr MacDonald reported that only 19, instead of 40, Collectors attended at Pirrie Park on day of Parade, and, thus, the amount of collection, which might have been considerable, was very much reduced.

Only 5 Groups had so far contributed to the Association Special Fund.

Gala Committee.

Mr JJ Swan gave the Gala Report as Convener of Committee which carried out arrangements. There had been a record attendance and the entries for some races were so numerous that the events had to be run off in heats. There were three new events in the programme - a pyjama race, a blindfold race, and a Sea Scouts Regatta, all of which caused much amusement. The prizes were handed over by Mrs. Laurie, Mrs Bell, Lord Beresford and Provost Bell.

There had been two Polo matches after the Gala proper. Mr Swan moved that a letter of thanks be sent to the Baths Committee and to the Baths Master.

Competitions Committee.

The District Commissioner announced that reports of the Shannon Cup Competition were being sent out soon to the competing Troops.

Sports Day.

In place of the Field Day, a Sports Day had been held at Everton, quite informally, and the Cub Council provided the prizes. Mr Swan, who was responsible for the arrangements, made the report. The following events had been competed for, and, in all, 36 entries had been received - 50 yard Sprint (two sections), high jump, long jump, marathon (two sections), tug of war, relay, 5-a-side football. The DC had presented the prizes.

Thanks.

The Chairman now thanked the members of the following Committees for the work which was completed - the New Headquarters (Reconstruction) Committee, the Day Committee (supervising removal,) the Gala Committee, the Field Day Committee. He especially thanked Mr JJ Swan for his great help.

The next meeting would be held on 20th August unless the Chairman and Honorary Secretary considered it necessary to call a meeting before that date. This was all the business.

After the meeting, the D Commissioner spoke for a short time about the fact that we had come to new Headquarters and he laid particularly stress on the fact that we were much indebted to the Chairman for his help and ability in carrying through meetings of the Association.

The rest of the evening was spent socially. Tea was served and the Scouters took part in a camp fire sing song. Musical items were rendered by Mr Gale and Scouts from the 7th Group.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 25rd August, 1936 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; Hon. Vice-President, Lord Beresford, ADCs Wm. Shearer, J.J. Swan, Duncan M. Holmes, A.I. Lyle, and Colin Finnie Jr.; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon, Mr. W.P. Stratton, and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 9th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th Renfrewshire.

Attending – Colin Finnie, Esq, Badge Secretary; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Warrant.

The District Commissioner presented a warrant as GSM of 38th Renfrewshire to Colin RD Brown.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 24th June 1936 were read and approved. A detail concerning the contents of an account which had been passed for payment would be cleared up at next meeting when account would be produced.

Apology.

A verbal apology for absence was received in name of the Honorary Treasurer who was on holiday.

The Chairman pointed out that this was the first meeting of the winter session. He had heard that the reports on camping were very good, and he wished all the groups a healthy, happy, successful winter. They had the honour of welcoming Lord Beresford, their Vice President, to an Association meeting for the first time, and it was much regretted that he had to leave Greenock so soon. The Chairman then thanked Lord Beresford for his help while in Greenock, and wished him “Good Scouting”.

Warrants.

Warrants were received for cancellation in the names of William Gow, (GSM 5th) and James Mitchell (SM 22nd).

The Chairman also welcomed to the meeting the new GSM of the 5th Group, Mr. John Fleming.

Letters.

A circular from Imperial Headquarters was read giving details for arrangements of the Holland World Jamboree to be held in 1937.

A letter was read from Mr William Gow thanking the Association for its wedding present, of a set of silver servers, which had been dispatched some months late.

Reports - Finance, Everton, Lets.

A letter had been received from SHQ asking for a donation towards its funds. The Finance Committee recommended that, in view of the grants amounting to £139, which we had received from the Special Area Commissioner, it was only right that we should contribute to the funds. It was agreed that £5 should be sent from the Association.

The Hon. Secretary’s Expenses Account amounting to 4/11 was passed for payment.

An account from J Riddock (6 /-) for a silver plate for plinth to Victory Trophy was passed. To date, the sum of £9.7.0 was the net profit on the Scout Gala. One group of tickets was not returned yet. The Committee had granted the use of the Headquarters for the first weekend in October for a Patrol Leader's conference.

Everton Pond.

The District Commissioner (Convener) reported that the pond at Everton was not ready for use. He thanked those who had helped with the filling of sides and back, and said that the only question remaining was with regard to the type of fence to be used. The rival merits of a wire and a rustic- spar fence were discussed. Such matters as relative cost, danger and so on, and at last it was decided that a wooden fence should be erected. It was thought that donations might be received to defray cost. The amendment of Mr Holmes that a wire fence be used was defeated in vote by 11 votes to 5.

Caretaker.

The question of Caretaker for new Headquarters was next introduced and, after a short discussion, it was decided to appoint a small Committee consisting of Mr Holmes, Mr Stratton, Mr. Brown, to deal with the matter. On the motion of Mr Dally, seconded by Mr Stratton, they were given full powers.

Coronation.

Mr Holmes asked what the Association was proposing to do with regard to the Coronation. It was agreed that we wait and see if any information would come from London or Edinburgh about this matter.

PLs Conference.

The District Commissioner announced that he was holding a conference for Patrol Leaders in the Headquarters on the weekend 3rd - 4th October from Saturday afternoon until Sunday evening. A circular would be sent to GSM's.

Pictures of Scouts.

Mr Stratton asked that the Association expressed disapproval of statements appearing in the press purporting to show Scouts in full uniform using pick and shovel at the pond at Everton that the Greenock Scouts had built their pond at Everton. It was agreed that the Association's disapproval be minuted.

1st Class Hikes.

The Camp Skipper asked that no First Class hikes should take place through Everton. This was agreed. The general subject of 1st Class hikes being introduced, it was decided, on the motion of Mr Shearer, seconded by Mr. Brown, that the District Commissioner should be asked to appoint an Examiner for each hike.

Gang Show.

It was suggested by Mr CRD Brown that the Association should hold a kind of show in the early Spring as one means of stimulating interest in the movement in Greenock. This might be held in the Argyle Theatre, the acting to be done by Scouts. The following items might be included in the show - a concert party item, playlet's by Cubs, short humorous sketches by Troops, a serious play, interval, another concert party item, playlets by Rovers, sketches and a potted pageant of the British Empire. It was urged that this was a good way of putting Scouting before Greenock.

The District Commissioner, while pointing out that he did not wish to pour cold water on the scheme, stated that the Glasgow Gang Show had been run at a slight loss and that he did not think the Greenock Association could bear a large deficit. Mr. Brown replied by saying that the Glasgow Gang Show had had very expensive costumes and he thought much could be saved in this connection. Mr. Brown was asked to convene a meeting of Scouters interested in the scheme to thrash out the question and report a concrete scheme at the next meeting, to be accepted or rejected by the Association. A very large turn out of Association members was requested for the next meeting so that the question could be dealt with from all angles.

Lord Beresford.

Lord Beresford spoke for a short time. He thanked the Association for the fine time he had had in Greenock. He had enjoyed himself thoroughly and had gained experience. He wished us “Good Luck”, especially if we went on with the Gang Show scheme.

Next meeting and AGM.

The next meeting would be on 29th September and Mr Finnie proposed the AGM to be on 27th October 1936.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

A Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 29th September, 1936 at 8 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADC Wm. Shearer, District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon, Mr. W.P. Stratton, and representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th.

Attending – Colin Finnie, Hon. Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Welcome.

The Chairman welcomed to the movement Mr Munn who was now SM of 33rd Group and Miss McCormick the new CM of the 11th Group.

Warrant.

The DC presented a warrant to Mr. David Thomson, the Scout Master of the 11th Group.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 25th August 1936 were read and approved after a minor adjustment. The Chairman announced that the new Warden of Headquarters was Mr. James McCrindle. Also, it was reported that the DC had agreed to examine Scouts for the 1st Class Hike test.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Colin Finnie Jr. and Mr AI Lyle.

Warrant Cancellations.

The following warrant cancellations were reported,

Miss Hannah Wilson (now Mrs. J. Docherty) (CM 11th Renfrewshire)

Miss Marjory L Phillipson (ACM 38th Renfrewshire)

Mr E J. Beaven (CM 7th Renfrewshire)

Rev. EJ Hollands (GSM 39th Renfrewshire)

Applications.

Applications were approved in the names of the following.

Miss S Dunlop (ACM 70th Renfrewshire)

James Dunn (ASM 70th Renfrewshire)

Archibald Brown (ASM 70th Renfrewshire)

Miss Moggy (CM 32nd Renfrewshire)

Miss E Love (ACM 32nd Renfrewshire)

Miss M McIntyre (CM 9th Renfrewshire)

Miss J Connie (ACM 45th Renfrewshire)

Miss R Kirkwood (ACM 23rd Renfrewshire)

Census.

It was announced that census forms were due on Saturday first.

Letters etc Musical Festival.

The Executive of the Renfrewshire Musical Festival had this year included in their syllabus a new feature - a camp-fire class. The Festival would take place in January 1937. The arrangement was heartily commended to Group Scouters. Copies of the syllabus might be had from the Festival Secretary. An electric log fire could be provided on the platform at the Festival.

Renfrew Reunion.

The reunion of County Scouters would be held this year at Renfrew on 24th October. Circulars would probably be sent out soon to Scouters.

Holland Jamboree.

Those wishing to attend the Jamboree at Holland in 1937 must let the Secretary know before 15th November 1936.

Annual Social.

The next question to come up for discussion was the Annual Social. It was decided to hold this on the same lines as last year in the Tontine Hotel on Friday 15th January. The tickets would probably be 3/6. The Committee which carried out last year's arrangements - the DC, Mr Swan, Mr Dunlop (Hon. Secretary), Mr MacDonald (Treasurer) - was reappointed for the coming Social.

Armistice.

It was decided not to hold an Armistice Parade this year on Armistice Day. The Association discussed the question and left over the matter of representatives attending the Town Parade.

Reports - Finance, Everton and Lets.

The Secretary's Expenses Account amounting to 4/- and the Treasurer's Expenses Account amounting to 3/- were passed for payment.

A letter had been received from Mr Colin Finnie Jr., GSM 52nd Group, claiming 6/- for damage to treck cart lent to Association at time of removal from Seafield. It was ordered that this be paid. 35/- had not yet been received from 38th Group, although it had been promised. It was intimated that the 4th Pack would not require use of the Headquarters.

Treasurer.

The balance sheet for year September 1935 - September 1936 was provisionally ready. The facts therein were intimated to the Association. The Treasurer had put 10% as depreciation on fittings and belongings of Association, but on the motion of Mr Colin Finnie, seconded by Mr Butter, and with approval of the Association, this was reduced to 5% for current and subsequent years. It was proposed that the accounts be audited and published.

Competitions.

The Committee had met on 25th August and discussed forthcoming competitions. The Secretary resigned the Convenorship and Mr Kirkwood agreed to act as Convener for the competition for the Football Shield. The competition would be run on the knockout principle – the rules as in Scouty Methods. This was to be duly advertised. An endeavour was to be made to find the Fire Shield. The Public Service Vase competition was to be held in the winter indoors.

The last date for entry for football competition would be 5th October. It was suggested that the maximum age of players in football competition be raised to 17. On this question being put to the vote, it was agreed by 9 votes to 2 that the maximum age remain 16.

It was announced that the Football Shield was at present in the hands of 22nd Pack, having been presented at Cub Display in place of Cub Shield which was missing. The latter, having been found, the Scout Shield would be returned.

The Competition Committee report was approved.

Cub Council.

Two reports had been received from the Cub Council, one dated 5th June and the other a report of Annual General Meeting held on 25th September.

Arrangements had been made for a Cub Picnic held at Everton on 6th June, over 100 Cubs being present. At the picnic, the 57th Pack won the Beaven’s Sports Trophy. Training camp collections amounted to 14/10 of which 14/6 had been sent to Rosemary Stomes.

At the Annual General Meeting, it was reported that, since 1932, 101 certificates, 19 scarfs, 29 lanyards, and 42 woggles had been awarded to CMs and ACMs attending camps.

The Cub Council Constitution and Competition rules had been adopted as last year. Appointments and Committees for ensuing year were appointed.

The District Commissioner had presented certificates, woggles, scarves etc to those who had won them.

The Cub Council Annual Social was arranged for 16th October in Headquarters. It was agreed that Miss Jean Tulloch be recommended for reappointment as District Cub Master.

Scout Show.

The Committee, which Mr. Brown had brought together to report on the possibility of holding a show in Greenock, had met and discussed the question from all angles.

As to cost- it was thought that expenses would probably reach £30 and if the Argyle Theatre were to be filled for two nights (charging 1/- or 6d with 6d booking fee on 1/- tickets) the income might be £37.10, a rather narrow margin. The Show was to be held at the end of March.

Mr. Brown said that the idea was to invite boys to Headquarters for a hairstyles on Monday nights. There would not be troop items - partly an Association affair. He gave the proposed form - not in detail. It was suggested that the cost of seats might be raised but this would probably have repercussions on numbers attending. The Committee wanted the approval and cooperation of all GSM's if it went on with proposal. No outside assistance would be asked. Mr Shearer regretted that his Group (32nd) would be unable to assist. Others said that it was difficult to get boys when night school was meeting. Mr. Brown said that he thought about 120 performers were required.

On asking GSM's present about how many boys each thought would be interested in his Group, it was found that only about 70 could be relied on to attend. Mr. Brown then said that he did not think they could proceed with such numbers and admitted that the Committee had been divided as to the advisability of so doing. The proposal that there should be a show was carried by 11 votes to 2 on a Group vote, but Mr. Brown said he would prefer the question to be brought up at the Annual General Meeting. The numbers of boys provisionally promised if the proposal were preceded with were 10th- 6, 11th- 6, 22nd- 6, 32nd- 6 perhaps, 38th- 12, 45th- 6, 52nd- 4 boys if 100% support from Association, 57th- 4, 59th-6; the 7th regretted they were unable to support. Boys of all ages would be required.

PL Wappenshew

The Wappenshew programmes with lists of speakers would be used for publication next week.

“Scottish Scout”.

Mr Dally, proposed that subscriptions for the “Scottish Scout” ½ each per annum be paid to the Treasurer who would forward money to Edinburgh.

Thanks.

As this was last monthly meeting of year, the District Commissioner proposed a vote of thanks to Office Bearers and Camp Skipper.

Alex Phillip, Chairman.

A. Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters on Tuesday, 27th October, 1936 at 7.30 pm,**

**Being a Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; County Secretary, Walter Scott Esq., ADC Colin Finnie; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; District Rover Leader, Fred Gale; and representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 10th, 22nd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 70th.

Attending – Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

and Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Minutes.

The minutes of meeting, dated 29th September 1936 were read, approved and adopted.

Warrants.

The warrant of Miss Susan Alexander (ACM, 11th) was received for cancellation.

Applications for warrants in the names of

Miss Ena McEachern (CM 33rd Group)

Miss K. McCoramack (CM 11th Group)

and Miss I Nichol (ACM 57th Group)

were all approved.

This was all the business.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. Tuesday, 27th October, 1936, at 8 p.m.**

**Being Annual General Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

Ryrie Orr, Esq., Hon. President; Herbert W. Butter Esq, District Commissioner; Walter Scott Esq, County Secretary; Assistant District Commissioners, William Shearer, Colin Finnie Jr.; Arthur I. Lyle; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, J.T. MacDonald; District Rover Scout Leader, Fred Gale; Camp Skipper, E. Salmon; and Representatives of the following Groups, 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th.

Attending – Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald, Hon Treasurer; A.Ian Dunlop, Hon Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 29th October 1935 were read and approved on the motion of Mr Colin Finnie, seconded by Mr Colin Brown.

Apologies.

Apologies for absence had been received from Mr. Muir, County Commissioner, and Mr Brew of the Boys Brigade.

Reports - DC. And Hon Treasurer

The District Commissioner, Mr HW Butter, then submitted his report for the year and was followed by the Honorary Treasurer who explained his statement of accounts for year, 1935-6. He suggested that the auditors, Messrs. JM Kerr and Lindsay should be thanked by letter, and the Association signified its approval. Mr MacDonald called for comments and Mr Colin Finnie said he thought it unwise to show a deficit of £2.11.6 in respect of the Annual Social on a statement which would be sent to our subscribers. He was supported by Mr. Brown, and it was suggested that in a like case again, an endeavour should be made to reduce the deficit to zero by asking for private donations among members of the Association.

Honorary Secretary.

The Honorary Secretary gave his report for the year referring to questions of Scouting strength, warrants, competitions, Cubs, etc.

Adoption.

Mr Ryrie Orr, the President of the Association, in proposing adoption of reports, congratulated all concerned, especially on their new Headquarters. He congratulated those responsible for annual reports and all ranks from DC to the youngest Cub. He referred to new facilities at Everton. He said we should have two ideals before us in Greenock, the cultivation of a better spirit among the young with less juvenile crime, and the improvement of the physique of young people.

Mr Colin Finnie seconded the adoption and the reports were adopted unanimously.

Chairman.

The Chairman thanked the office bearers for cooperation during year and for the reports which were so satisfactory. He referred to the youthful enthusiasm of Mr Orr, who was the G.O.M. of Scouting in the District. He felt he was privileged in being asked to be Chairman.

Appointments.

The following appointments were made for year 1936-37.

Honorary President- Mr Ryrie Orr, JP, MA, FEIS, FRGS.

Vice Presidents - Lord Inverclyde DL.

Lord Hugh Beresford,

Colonel WG Shaw Stewart MC

Colonel D Paterson DSO.

Colonel Hewison MC

Provost Bell JP

Ex Provost Baxter JP

James Christie OBE, Chief Constable

Chairman – Rev. Alex Philp.

Vice Chairman - ADC James J Swan.

Honorary Secretary - Mr. A Ian Dunlop MA.

Honorary Treasurer - Mr John T MacDonald.

Honorary Auditors - Messrs JM Kerr and Lindsay CA.

Badge Secretary - Mr Colin Finnie (Sr.)

Camp Skipper - Mr EArnest Salmon.

Deputy Camp Skipper Mr TC Wilson.

Warden of HQ - Mr. James McCrindle.

The following District Officers were appointed for year 1st Jan 1939- 1st Jan 1938.

District Cub Master - Miss Jean Tulloch

District Scout Master- Mr. John T MacDonald

District Rover Scout Leader - Reverend Alex Philp

Rev. Douglas Troup MA had sent a letter stating that he felt it was now time for him to retire from the position as Vice President of the Association.

It was decided on motion of Mr JT MacDonald, seconded by Mr E Salmon, that a Deputy Camp Skipper be appointed to relieve the Camp Skipper.

The appointment of Rev. Alex Philp as DRSL was made on motion of Mr Finnie, seconded by Mr Thomas Kirkwood.

Miss Jean Tulloch had been recommended for re-election by Cub Council.

Co-opted Members.

The following were co-opted to the Association for ensuing year - on the motion of Mr Robert Morrison.

From Toc-H Mr. J Quaey.

From School Management Committee Mr Fred McLeod.

From Girl Guides Miss Humphries, District Captain.

From Boys Brigade Mr Ronald K. Brew.

Associates.

On the motion of Mr Colin Finnie, seconded by Mr Finnie Sr., it was decided to make Associate Members, the following ladies and gentlemen who had subscribed to the funds during the year.

Baillie Miss Isabel Kerr; Dr. Keith Robertson; JS Kincaid; AR Prentice; Sir Hugh Shaw Stewart; Miss J Clark; JS Shannon; R Greer; Mr Murray; JS Caird; L Ferguson; Rev. WJ Nicol-Service; J Denholm; J Nicol; Miss Carmichael; John Kerr; RL Scott.

Representatives.

The following representatives were appointed.

To SHQ, on motion of Mr Finnie, seconded by Mr. Brown,

Chairman - Rev. A. Philp.

Secretary - Mr. A Ian Dunlop.

Treasurer - Mr JT MacDonald.

To County Scout Council - on motion of DC, seconded by ADC Lyle.

Chairman, Rev. A Philp.

Secretary, A Ian Dunlop.

To Juvenile Organisation Committee

For General and Executive Committees- Rev. A. Philp.

For General Committee – GSM, Colin RD Brown.

Committees.

The following Standing Committees were appointed.

\*Finance, Everton and Lets Committee-

Chairman- Rev. A Philp (Convener).

Hon. Secretary- A Ian Dunlop.

Hon. Treasurer- John T MacDonald.

Badge Secretary - Mr Colin Finnie

Camp Skipper or Deputy.

GSM Colin RD Brown.

District Commissioner.

\*Sea Scout Committee

District Commissioner (Convener).

ADC A.I. Lyle

CM S. Thompon.

\*Badge Committee.

Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary (Convener).

Mr J King.

Miss Jean Tulloch.

\*Competitions Committee.

Rev. Alex Philp, Chairman (Convener).

District Commissioner.

Hon. Secretary- AI Dunlop.

GSM T Kirkwood.

ADC James J Swan.

ASM GM Farish.

CM S Thomson.

\*Annual Social Committee (reappointed)

District Commissioner.

ADC JJ Swan

Hon. Secretary,

Hon. Treasurer.

\*Headquarters Committee

ADC JJ Swan.

John T MacDonald [DSM & Hon. Treasurer]

Hon. Secretary (AI Dunlop)

James McCrindle (Warden of HQ)

Cub Committee.

On the proposal of the Hon. Secretary, the Cub Council was reappointed The Cub Committee of the Association.

Address of County Secretary.

Mr Walter Scott, the County Secretary, offered his congratulations on the efficiency in Greenock during the year. He mentioned that warrants were now up to date, that he was very pleased with the increase in First Class badges held, and that boys should begin 1st Class training almost as soon as they join the Troop. Mr. Scott also referred to the Holland Jamboree, stating that the proposed cost of £6 inclusive would probably be reduced. He stated also that he had no grouses this time and was very pleased with Association.

Scout Show.

On motion of Mr. Colin RD Brown, it was decided to leave over indefinitely the question of a Scout Show.

Parade.

The District Commissioner said he felt that instead of a parade to the Cenotaph this year, he thought we should hold one to a Church instead sometime later in November. He thought it was a mistake to cancel it altogether. After discussion, it was decided that, subject to permission being obtained, a parade should be held to the Old West Kirk on the last Sunday in November. Mr Colin Brown's amendment that there be no parade was defeated by 10 votes to 1 on a Group vote.

Scottish Scout.

The Treasurer stated that he had only received subscriptions from 3 people for the “Scottish Scout”.

Camp Reports.

In answer to a question of Mr CRD Brown, the DC stated that camp reports could not be returned to Troops at end of season although information therein might be communicated to Troops.

District Scout Master.

The DSM referred to the lack of brass Tenderfoot badges in boys button holes and asked that more be worn by Scouts.

This was all the business.

Alex Philp, Chairman

A Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 24th November, 1936 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

County Commissioner, Arthur Muir, JP; District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs A.I. Lyle, Colin Finnie Jr., Duncan M. Holmes; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; District Rover Scout Leader, Rev. Alex Philp; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; and Representatives of the following Groups: 7th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, 86th; and the Cub Council.

Attending – John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary and

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Medal of Merit.

The County Commissioner, Mr Arthur Muir, was present and presented the Medal of Merit to Miss Jean Tulloch of the 22nd Group. In making the presentation, Mr. Muir referred to Miss Tullich’s 16 years of hard work for her Pack and for the Association through times that had not always been smooth. He spoke of her little acts of kindness to Cubs in sickness or in trouble or when they were in hospital. With the badge was a certificate signed by the Chief Scout, dated 4/4/36.

The Chairman conveyed to Miss Tulloch the congratulations of the Association and all the members present applauded heartily.

The Chairman also thanked Mr. Muir for his visit.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 27/10/36 were read, approved and adopted and then the Secretary read relevant portions from the minutes of the Annual Meeting.

Warrants.

The warrant of Miss Eleanor Millar (CM 57th) was received for cancellation.

An application for warrant in the name of Miss M.F. Draper (ACM 45th) was read and approved.

County Commissioner.

The County Commissioner referred to two matters - the Jamboree and the Coronation.

\*Jamboree.

He explained the quota arrangements for Holland and said that the camp would be run on Troop units of 6 patrols of 6 Scouts, 1 Scouter, 2 ASM's, 1 quartermaster. There would be no room for Rovers. The cost would be about £5 from Glasgow and back. No boys would be allowed who had not the Second Class Badge or who were under 14 years of age. Each troop would provide its own equipment and personal kit was to be carried.

\*Coronation.

By special request of His Majesty, the Scouts were to sell 1/- Souvenir Programmes of the Coronation at Coronation festivities - these were not to be hawked round the streets or from house to house. There would be no Law difficulty. The County was asked to take 6455 programmes and the Commissioner asked if Greenock would be willing to take its quota. It was suggested that Greenock should take its number which amounted to about 3 per Scout. It would not be a Flag Day, and no programmes were to be sold until 12th May. There was to be no profit, either for newsagents or Scouts, and any profit that there was should go to the Jubilee Trust Fund.

Mr. Muir said he was sorry not to have been able to be at the Annual Meeting, but congratulated the Association on the year’s report. He also said that the King had asked that there should be in the Coronation year a record number of King’s Scouts, recalling that his Grandfather King Edward VII had founded the badge.

Letters etc.

A Circular about Rover Scouts (October 1936) was read. On a vote, it was decided by 9 to 5 that the matter should lie on the table.

The new Provost, A.H. Davey, had been asked to become a Vice-President of the Association. A letter from him was read, in which he thanked the Association and was pleased to accept the invitation.

Parade.

The District Scout Master spoke about the Parade to take place to the Old West Kirk on Sunday 29th November. Cubs and Scouts were asked to bring Hymn Books. The Orders for Parades as in the Circular should be carried out. The Parade would meet at George Square at 10.20 am. Colours shall be carried, with escorts and guards and with the flag gathered in on the right shoulder. An overcoat or rainproof might be carried, but Scouts should be in full uniform.

Mr CRD Brown pointed out that hair sporrans should not be worn.

Mr McKillop asked that a Scout Band should be present and not only outside bands as at the Pirrie Park Parade.

Reports- Finance, Everton and Lets 27/10/36.

The Committee had met on 27th October and approved the balance sheet.

\*The following accounts were passed for payment.

Secretary’s expenses £0.7.10½.

HQ expenses for paint stg £0.7.1

Apple affiliation fee to JOC £0.2.6.

Electricity department (May 30- Oct 10) £0.6.0.

Gas Department (May 8-Oct 10) £0.7.8.

John Friel (Removal 5/-; Fencing to Everton 5/-) £0.10.0.

Simpson and Laidlaw (dustbin) £0. 5.10.

John Hume (cleaning material) £0.4.2 ½.

J&P Clark (Ironmonger) £0.3.6.

\*Lets were granted as follows

To 27th Renfrewshire 30th October for Scout Social.

To 45th Renfrewshire 4th December for presentation of Colour Ceremony.

It was agreed to make a quarterly payment of £2.10 in respect of cleaning.

Also, it was agreed that a triplicate book be purchased for the use of the Secretary for Lets.

\*24/11/36

The Committee met again on 24th November 1936. The following accounts were passed for payment.

P Mackie (Painting Flagstaff ) 5/-

Gas heaters (3rd Installment) £1.7.10.

It was reported that the HQ had been let to the 23rd Group on 20th November for a Whist Drive. An application from the Cub Council for the use of Headquarters in connection with the Christmas Toy Distribution was granted. It was recommended that the time at which the HQ must be vacated at night be extended from 10.00 pm to 10.30 pm. It was also recommended that all branches of the Association should pay the normal charges for the use of the Headquarters. The Association should reserve the right of donating a sum of money, as a refund, to any branch of the Association which seemed to merit such and if circumstances permitted.

The reports were adopted on the motion of Mr Finnie.

Treasurers Report.

The Treasurer reported that seven troops had still to pay the registration fee.

Badges

There was a large increase of badges, including one First Class and one King Scout.

Competitions Committee.

The Committee had met on 27th October, the Rev. A. Philp in the Chair. The Football Competition was being carried out at present, Mr Kirkwood in charge. The Fire Shield competition would be held in early spring, April or May, somewhere in the town; for example, at the foot of Patrick St. Mr S Thompson had agreed to act as organiser and to consult the older edition of “Scouty Methods” for the rules. The Chairman said he would get in touch with the Firemaster so that Troops might get practice during the winter months.

The Public Service Vase next came up for discussion. Mr G Farrish agreed to act as organiser. The competition would probably take place in January.

The first round of the Football Trophy Competition had taken place on 21/11 /36 when 5th play*ed* 22nd - the 22nd winning by 4 goals to 3. Mr Kirkwood asked in his report that greater attention should be paid to the rules.

Mr. Brown stated that the 32nd had found it difficult to obtain a pitch for their game and asked if no steps could be taken so that grounds could be more easily obtained. There was then a discussion as to the age of players, which matter had been brought up at a previous meeting.

Annual Social Committee.

The Treasurer now had tickets for the Annual Supper and Dance to be held in the Tontine on 15th January. The price was 3/6 and it was hoped they would sell well. The Committee had met in 27th October.

Headquarters Committee.

The Committee met on 1/11/36 and appointed Mr John T. McDonald, Convenor, and then proceeded to make the following rules for the use of Groups using Headquarters.

1. Permission for use of Headquarters must be obtained from Finance Committee. Applications should be made to the Secretary and at least one week's notice must be given in ordinary circumstances.

2. The Headquarters must be left in a tidy condition after use.

3. Cups and plates etc must not be used unless with the permission of the party to whom they belong (at present the Cup Council).

4. The Commissioner’s room must not be used at all.

5. The Warden, or his deputy, will open or close Headquarters.

6. Dancing and rowdy games in HQ are not allowed.

7. The Honorary Warden has full powers as regards conduct in HQ.

8. Any breakages of Association property in HQ must be made good and reported to the Warden or his deputy.

9. Care must be taken to turn off all electric lights and gas heaters before the HQ is vacated.

10. The cost of use of HQ shall be 2/- if from 6.30-10.30 pm and 1/- if from 6.30- 8.30 pm unless other arrangements are made with Finance Committee.

11. HQ must be vacated at 10.30 pm. If extension of time is required, application must be made to Finance Committee.

12. Groups which use the HQ regularly must not leave up their own decorations without the permission of the HQ Committee. Also, the same Committee must be consulted if it is decided to leave equipment in HQ.

13. The HQ Committee shall make a half yearly inspection of HQ in October and in April.

Cup Council.

The Council had met on 16th October. Ten Packs had entered for the Football Shield and the draw for the first round announced. Sixes were formed for training classes. A campfire finished the programme.

The Council had also met on 13th November and had decided to ask the Association for permission to hold a Christmas Toy Parade to Trinity Church on Sunday 13th December. It was also agreed to hold a Christmas Crazy Night in 32nd Scout Hut on Thursday 17th December. Proceeds were to help to buy toys for Christmas distribution. The second round for Football Shield was drawn.

DC.

The District Commissioner spoke some words about the good services of the Chairman who would be away from the country for a short time.

He then referred to two matters which had caused indignation. An account had been discussed in a train by two non-members of the Movement, thus indicating that Association matters were being discussed with outsiders, and not, as they should be, in the Association meeting. He deprecated this. There was another matter. Two letters had appeared in the Telegraph from Scouts, the first attacking the Association because it had not held its usual Armistice Parade this year. The second had replied to the first. Mr Butter had the support of all the Association when he said the first letter had been written by neither a Scout nor a gentleman. Such cheap notoriety was unworthy of the Movement. Mr Morrison asked that the Association's deep disapproval be minuted.

Curtain.

It was suggested that a curtain be placed over the door.

This was all the business.

James Swan, Chairman

1. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 29th December, 1936 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner HW Butter; ADCs A.I. Lyle, James J. Swan, Duncan M. Holmes; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E Salmon; W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 70th, 86th;

Attending – Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

James J. Swan in the Chair.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting dated 24/11/36 were read, approved and adopted on the motion of Mr Morrison, seconded by Mr W Dally. In answer to a question, Mr Swan, the Chairman, said that no change of arrangements for the Coronation was yet ordered from Headquarters.

Full Apology.

An apology for absence was read from Mr Colin Finnie, Junior.

Warrants.

Applications for warrants from Miss HC Steen (ACM 10th),and Mr Peter Ferrier (ASM 33rd) were read and approved.

Correspondence.

A letter was read from County Secretary about the Glasgow Swimming Gala. It was agreed that more information should be asked for, but that, in the meantime, the matter be left in the hands of Mr Swan.

Mr Holmes moved, seconded by Mr McDonald, that we should enter a team and, on the motion of Mr Stratton, it was agreed that expenses up to £1 should be paid by the association. Mr Swan announced that he would put a note in Scout Notes asking for Scouts who were good swimmers.

Circulars.

Circulars had been sent out to Group Scouters about the Western Area Social, the Annual Conference of SHQ in Glasgow, and the Wood Badge for Cub, Scout and Rover Officers.

CHQ Meeting

The Secretary said that at the County Scout Council meeting, it had been announced that Scottish Headquarters was again £350 short in its funds and would require to ask the Associations to contribute on the basis of 2/6 per Section of a Group.

Reports - Finance, Everton, Lets.

The Finance Committee had met before the Association and passed for payment the

Secretary’s Expense Accounts for 2 months – 9/-.

Three Groups, the 5th, 23rd and 89th had not yet paid their registration fees. The 23rd Group owed 10/- for Lets.

The Cup Council was willing to pay 2/- per night for the use of Headquarters. The Association would also pay for use of HQ and the Seafield Troop would pay 1/- for use of HQ in the afternoon. These arrangements would come into force after New Year.

Lets had been granted as follows.

To 5th Group on 3rd December 1936 for rehearsal for Parents Night.

To 7th Group on 22nd December 1936 for Troop Meeting.

To 7th Pack on 21st December 1936 for Pack meeting.

Payments for these Lets had all been made.

Lets had been granted also

To 45th Group for Troop meeting on 2nd Jan. 1937 from 8.30 to 10.30, at charge of 1/- and

To the District Commissioner to hold a Scouters' Wappenschaw on 24th January 1937 from 9.00 am to 6.00 pm.

The Treasurer now had about £12 on hand.

Treasures Report.

The Treasurer said he had received an anonymous donation of £10 as a Christmas gift to the funds.

The District Commissioner said he had now almost enough money donated to send 2 boys to the Holland Jamboree, but required yet £2.10.0. He asked this be taken from the £10. On the motion of Mr Lyle, seconded by Mr Thompson, this was agreed.

Badges.

The Badge Secretary reported that badges were going strong.

Competitions.

The Football Shield Competition was being carried out at present. The results of the semi final games were announced, the 32nd having beaten the 38th, and the 22nd having beaten the 45th. Thus, in the final, the 22nd would play the 32nd Group.

Annual Social.

The band had now been arranged. It was to be the Orpheus, a subsection of the Windsor. Tckets were going quite well, but unsold tickets must be returned by the 14th January or they would be charged for.

Cub Council.

The Council had met on 11th December and it was agreed to hold a Christmas Toy Parade to Trinity Church. To this, 150 Cubs paraded at forenoon service.

A Crazy Night had been held in 32nd’s Scout Headquarters, Mearns Street, the proceeds of which were spent in buying toys for distribution. Over 400 toys had been distributed among poor children in the East End.

The Football Competition final was to take place on Saturday 9th January 1937. The next meeting had been called for 8th January.

Questions.

In answer to a question, it was stated that the payment for cleaning would be made immediately. Mr Morrison asked if there had been any complaints about heating in the Headquarters. The District Commissioner said there had been, but that he had dealt with the matter.

The District Scout Master stated that uniform was to be worn at the Annual Supper and Dance.

Wood Badge.

The District Commissioner presented the Wood Bbadge to Mr Robert Morrison (ASM of the 52nd Group) and with it, the 1st Gillwell Scarf and Woggle, and also a Certificate. He congratulated Mr Morrison and the Association heartily applauded.

This was all the business.

W Shearer, Chairman.

Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St. on Tuesday, 26th January, 1937 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs William Shearer, Colin Finnie Jr; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th, 70th, and 86th;

Attending – Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary; John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Mr. William Shearer in the Chair.

Chairman.

Owing to the unavoidable absence of Rev. Alex Phillip, it was necessary to elect a Chairman, and ADC William Shearer was elected.

Warrants.

The following warrants were presented by the District Commissioner-

as SM of 7th Group - Mr William H.H. Ferguson.

as ACM of 32nd Group - Miss Elizabeth Love.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 29th December 1936 were read and approved on the motion of Mr W P Stratton, seconded by Mr. John Hume.

Glasgow Gala.

A report from Mr J.J. Swan was read, giving the present state of arrangements for representation at the Glasgow Gala to be held in Cranstonhill Baths on 29th January. Entries had been received from Scouts and tests had been carried out over 50 yards. The team would be as follows.

Jim Docherty (5th Renfrewshire) 31 seconds, Campbell Stewart, (59th Renfrewshire) 30 seconds, George Arlow, (45th Renfrewshire) 28 4/5 seconds, Dick Leggett, (70th Renfrewshire) 28 2/5 seconds. Reserve Jack Docherty (5th Renfrewshire) 40 seconds. The total time for team over 200 yards was 118 1/5 seconds - an average time for 50 yards of 29 3/5 seconds per Scout. As an average of 31 seconds per boy is considered a good qualifying speed, Greenock's team should give a very good account of themselves.

ADC DM Holmes.

The resignation for business reasons of ADC DM Holmes was announced.

Letters.

Circulars, P.O.R. amendments and Reregistration certificates were ready for distribution.

Reports- Finance, Everton and Lets.

\*The following lets had been granted.

To 45th Renfrewshire (January) 7/-.

Cub Council (22nd January) 2/- (paid).

Association (26th January) 2/-.

45th Cubs (Afternoon Social) 1/-.

45th Group (February) 8/-

Cub Council (5th Feb. and 12th or 19th March) 4/-.

\*23rd Renfrewshire.

An application had been received from the 23rd Renfrewshire for use of HQ at a reduced rate in view of the financial circumstances of the Group. The Committee recommended that the charge be 1/- per night. The Association agreed, but on the motion of Mr W P Stratton, seconded by Mr John T MacDonald, decided that this arrangement should only last until July next.

\*Miss Duncan (ACC for Cubs)

An application had been received from Miss Duncan, ACC for Cubs, who wished to hold a Preliminary Course for new Cub Masters in Greenock District, in the Headquarters from 8 to 10 pm on 19th and 20th February, and 5th March. This was granted at a charge of 2/- per night.

\*A discussion followed about the payment for use of HQ for Scouters’ Wappenshaws. It was agreed on the motion of Mr Colin Finnie, seconded by Mr Hume that a payment of 5/- be made from the General Funds into the Headquarters Account, that is, a cross-entry be made, a direct negative of Mr Dally, seconded by Mr MacDonald, that no cross-entry be made, being defeated.

\*The following accounts were passed for payment –

Secretary’s Expense Account 5/10.

Water rates £3.

Rates £7.16.0

Treasurer’s Report.

The Treasurer announced that he had now about £10.16.0 in hand. The Annual Social Accounts had been about 6/- on the right side.

Badges.

Badges were still going well.

Competitions.

The final of the Football Shield Competition had been played at Broomhill on Saturday 23rd January between the 22nd and 32nd Troops. The 32nd had won by 5 goals to 1. Only 6 players on each side turned up. The trophy would thus be awarded to the 32nd Troop.

The Public Service Vase Competition arrangements were being made by Mr George Farrish. Entries should reach him as soon as possible. The arrangements would be as in “Scouty Methods”, the proposal that the ‘transport’ section be omitted being turned down by the Association.

The Fire Shield Competition arrangements were in the hands of Mr Sam Thompson. The regulations would be circulated to each GSM. The competition would be during May and entries should be made to Mr. Thompson as soon as possible.

All three reports were adopted on the motion of Mr George Finnie, seconded by Mr Hume.

Cup Council.

A meeting of the Cub Council had been held on 22nd January. Over 400 toys had been distributed at Christmas Toy Distribution. Final round of Football Shield Competition was played on Saturday 16th January between 22nd and 33rd Packs. The result was that 33rd Pack won the Shield. The next meeting was to be on 5th February.

ADC Finnie.

Mr Finnie announced that camping forms could now be had from him and should be returned to him at least 21 days before the date of a camp.

Rovers.

The Rover's Circular from SHQ, which was lying on the table, was mentioned by the District Commissioner. He said the he and his fellow Commissioners in the County had agreed to give the scheme there outlined, a trial. Two from each Crew with the ADC for Rovers would form a Council for training and administrative purposes. It was decided to call a meeting of all Rovers in the District and report on matters at the next Association meeting.

Next meeting.

The next meeting would be on 23rd February.

Chairman.

The District Commissioner proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman, Mr William Shearer.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, on Tuesday, 23rd February, 1937 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs Colin Finnie Jr, A.I. Lyle, and Rev. Alex Philp; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th,22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, and 70th;

Attending – Mr. Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary; Mr. John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer; Mr. A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

Rev. Alex Philp in the Chair.

Football Trophy.

The Football Trophy was presented by the Chairman to a Patrol from the 32nd Troop. The Chairman congratulated the team on their fine achievement.

Warrants.

Warrants were presented by the District Commissioner to the following-

1. Ian Dunlop, GSM 70th Renfrewshire

Miss Agnes Moggy CM 32nd Renfrewshire

Miss Morag MacIntyre CM 9th Renfrewshire

Miss Kathleen McCormack CM 11th Renfrewshire

and Miss Miriam Draper ACM 45th Renfrewshire

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 26/1/37 were read and approved on the motion of Mr Colin Finnie Junior, seconded by Mr WP Stratton.

Glasgow Gala.

A report was received from ADC J.J. Swan about the Glasgow Gala. Four teams had entered - Glasgow, Dumbarton, Edinburgh and Greenock (representing Renfrewshire). The race was won by Dumbarton. The other teams were very good indeed. The report was very encouraging.

Reports - Finance, Everton and Lets.

The following accounts were passed for payment.

Orr Pollock (advertising annual meeting) 16.0.

J.J. Swan (Expenses in connection with Glasgow Gala) 14.6.

Training (Groceries at Wappengschaw) 10.5.

Rankin (printer) (Balance Sheets) 17.0.

Lamont Printer) 1936 £2.7.0.

Gas department (4th Heating Installment) £1.7.10

Friel to Everton 2.6.

Secretary’s Expenses 4.0.

The 5th, 23rd, and 89th Groups had yet to pay their 5/- registration fee.

The Treasurer had now about £9 in hand.

The property income tax charge had been reduced to nil.

The following Lets had been granted.

Association 30th March 2/-.

45th March 10/-.

23rd March 4/-

Rover Council 1st March 1/-.

Cub Council 19th March 2/-.

Association 23rd February 2/-.

23rd Renf. February 4/-.

Treasurers Report.

The Treasurer reported that the Annual Supper showed a balance of 2/1 on the right side.

Badges.

Badges were still going strong.

Competitions

\*Fire Shield.

Mr. Thompson reported that there were 4 entries for the Fire Shield Competition - from the 23rd, 32nd, 45th, 52nd. Arrangements should be made for practicing.

\*Public Service Vase.

The arrangements were now complete for the Public Service Vase Competition - only the actual examining days had yet to be fixed. So far, the only entries were from the 32nd and 45th Troops. A St. Andrews Ambulance man had been secured as examiner.

Cub Council.

The Cub Council had met on 5th February 1937 at 8.0 pm. Arrangements were made for Art Trophy and Challenge Fag Competitions. Preliminary training classes were being held by Miss Duncan, ACC (Cubs).

The request for permission of the Association to hold a Parade on Sunday 25th April 1937 was granted.

The Annual Display was to be held in April.

Rover Scout Council.

A meeting of Greenock Rovers had been held in Headquarters on Sunday 14th February 1937. Arrangements were made for setting up a Rover Council in Greenock in accordance with the recent SHQ circular.

The following appointments had been made.

Chairman - Mr. A Ian Dunlop.

Secretary and Treasurer - Mr John A Dally Jr.

Lay Member- Mr W P Stratton by election

it was decided that the Rover Scout Council would consist of two representatives from each Crew and Lay Members. It was agreed to fix a registration fee of 2/6 for membership for Crews and 1/- for Lay Members. It had been suggested that a mock trial be held on the night of March 1st.

SHQ Conference.

Two members of Association attended SHQ Annual Meeting on 6th February in Glasgow - Sir Iain Colquhoun in the Chair. It had been stated that a Rover Moot would be held in Edinburgh on 4th - 7th June 1937. There was a slight census decrease in Scotland. A financial report had been given.

JOC Committee Meeting.

Rev. A Philp reported that he had attended a meeting of the Juvenile Organisation Committee on 22/2/37. The Committee was at present engaged in trying to arrange for halls in other parts of the town.

Everton.

The camping ground would open for the summer on Saturday 3rd April - Spring Holiday weekend.

Coronation Bonfire.

The Corporation had approached the Association and asked it to see to the building of a bonfire on the Lyle Brae at the time of the Coronation. The following Committee was appointed to deal with the matter. Mr Dally Sr, Mr Robert Morrison, Mr W P Stratton.

Programmes.

On the suggestion of the Secretary, it was agreed to appoint someone to deal with the distributing of Souvenir Programmes for the Coronation. Mr. Brown was appointed on the motion of Mr Stratton, seconded by Mr Dally.

Camp Forms.

Mr Finnie reminded Scouters that camp forms should be returned to him 21 days before the day of setting off for any camp outwith the District.

Tea

There was a discussion about tea at meetings. The motion of Mr Dally Sr, seconded by Mr W P Stratton that there be no tea at meetings, but that 2d a night be charged for payment of lighting and heating was defeated, the amendment of Mr Colin RD Brown that we have tea as usual with a 3d charge for food and heating and lighting being carried after it had been agreed that the standing orders be suspended and all present should vote. This was all the business.

James J Swan, Chairman.

A Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, on Tuesday, 30th March, 1937 at 8.0 pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs J.J. Swan, Colin Finnie Jr, A.I. Lyle; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; Mr. Fred Gale; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 22nd, 23rd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, and 70th;

Attending – Mr. Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary;

Mr. John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer;

Mr. A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

ADC J.J. Swan in the Chair.

Warrants.

Warrants were presented by the District Commissioner to Miss Ena McEachern (CM. 33rd) and Miss Ruth Kirkwood (ACM 23rd).

Minutes.

The minutes of meeting dated 23rd February 1937 were read and approved on the motion of Mr CRD Brown, seconded by Mr AI Lyle. An account of H Lamont and Son was queried by Mr John Dally.

Warrants.

The warrant applications of Mr P Gormley, (ASM 11th Group) and Miss M Edridge (CM 70th) were read and approved.

Letters - Chief Scout’s Silver Wedding.

A letter about the Chief Scout’s Silver Wedding in October was read and it was agreed that Greenock should participate in the joint presentation of a piece of silver to the Chiefs, subscriptions being limited as follows - Cubs max.½d, Scouts & Rovers max. 1d, Warranted Ranks max. 1/-.

Subscriptions should be sent to the Secretary.

County Flag.

A letter from the County Secretary was read about this year's County Flag competition. The arrangements would be as in recent years. Each District Commissioner should choose the Troop to represent the District. Mr Butter felt that this task should be put into the hands of the Competitions Committee. This was agreed.

Coronation Programmes.

A Circular about Coronation Programmes was read, asking for numbers etc required in District. The Secretary, acting on instructions of a previous meeting, had informed County Secretary that Greenock would take 1000 programmes, 100 posters, 80 boxes and 80 badges, these being sent to Headquarters. Mr Finnie mentioned that boys should try to obtain advance orders as far as possible. Mr. Brown asked that GSMs inform him as soon as possible of how many they think they can sell.

Swimming Gala.

The question of the Swimming Gala was next raised. It was agreed to have a Gala and the Committee of last year was reappointed with Mr. Brown in place of Mr Kirkwood. Re-election was moved by JT McDonald, seconded by CRD Brown. The Rover Council had recommended that there be a Rover team race this year and Mr. Brown suggested that there be County Rally races.

Pirrie Park Parade.

After discussion, it was proposed by Mr C Finnie Jr, seconded by Miss Tulloch, that the Parade be on 6th June, 1937 to Pirrie Park if the park were available. The Secretary would write and find out. It was proposed by Mr. J Dally Jr, seconded by Mr Finnie, that Mr. MacKenzie, Minister of St. John's Episcopal Church, should be asked to conduct the Open-Air Service. The 5th Pipe Band should be asked to play at the Parade and, by a vote of 9 to 2, it was agreed that the Greenock Silver Band (proposed by Mr J Dally Jr, seconded by Mr. Brown), should play the hymns and on the parade, rather than the British Legion Band – (proposed by Mr Ferguson, seconded by Mr McDonald).

Coronation Parade.

The question of whether there be a parade to the top of Lyle Brae for lighting of the Bonfire was next discussed. There was some disagreement about voting, but finally on a group vote, i.e. each Commissioner and Group having one vote, it was agreed that there be a parade. The proposal of Mr Ferguson, seconded by Mr Fleming, defeated the amendment of Mr Lyle, seconded by Mr. Brown, that there be no parade by 5 votes to 4.

Reports - Finance, Everton and Lets.

Following lets had been granted. To

45th 2nd March 1/-. 9th March 1/-

23rd Renfrewshire April 4/-.

45th April 8/-.

Cub Council 26th March 2/-.

Association 27th April 2/-

Rover Council 22nd March 1/-

Cub Council 2nd & 16th April 4/-

45th 20th March 1/-, 23rd March 1/-, 2nd April 1/-.

70th 6th & 9th April & 29th March 4/-

The following accounts were passed for payment.

Gas Department (Dec. to Feb.) £1.2.2.

Electricity Department (Dec. to Feb.) 16. 8

Corporation (Dean of Guild) 11.0.

A very rough statement of our prospective finances was given. At the end of May, there would probably be a balance of about £1.10.0.

An account for coal at Seafield £4.2.10 had been passed. There had been some misunderstanding about payment before, owing to there being two similar accounts rendered to the then Treasurer for two successive amounts of coal within a short time.

Adoption was moved by Mr Dally Sr., seconded by Mr Stratton.

Mr Stratton asked what Groups had subscribed to Association, as they had promised about 1 year ago. The Secretary read the relevant minute and the Treasurer informed Mr Stratton that the only subscribers had been as follows –

3rd (3/-), 70th (20/-), 30/- from 10th, and 35/- from 38th. It was sincerely hoped that other Groups would fulfil their promises. The 52nd had helped by the gramophone recital at Seafield.

Badges.

Badges were still going well.

Competitions.

\*Shannon Cup

The Competitions Committee had met on 23rd February and appointed Mr Sam Thompson to deal with Shannon Cup Competition. Mr McWhirter would be the Examiner as. last year. The date for the competition was fixed for the last weekend in May at Everton.

\*Fire Shield

The Fire Shield Competition would take place at foot of Patrick St, on 2nd June 1937 at 7.30 \*Public Service Vase

Mr Farish, in a written report, said that Mr. Williamson would be Examiner - He was a St Andrew’s and St. John's Ambulance Man.

Coronation Bonfire Committee.

Mr Stratton, tacitly appointed Convenor, and the DC gave some details about the Coronation Bonfire arrangements. Little had been done yet, but storage and cartage of material was at present under consideration, and the DC had communicated with the Corporation about the matter.

Cub Council.

The Cub Council had met on 19th March. 17 Packs had entered for the Art Trophy - 33rd had won. It was agreed to have a parade to St. George’s Church on Sunday 25th April if arrangements could be made with the church. A letter had been read from Miss Duncan, ACC (Cubs), congratulating CMs on spirit shown in recent training classes in HQ, which were successful.

Rover Council.

There was no report from the Rover Council, but a successful Mock Trial had been held on 1st March, and the ADC (Rovers) was holding a camp for Rovers at Everton on Spring Holiday weekend.

DC.

The District Commissioner suggested that the Secretary should by letter congratulate the County Commissioner on his recovery from illness. The Association heartily concurred.

He also complimented the Chairman on the way he had conducted the meeting.

New Scheme.

The DC then brought forward a new scheme of organisation of the Association in District. He gave the general lines and read a detailed account of the scheme. The Association should be formed more after the pattern of an ordinary Group with the Group Council as the Greenock Executive.

The plan was discussed; questions were asked and, on the whole, it was generally approved. The matter was, however, to lie on the table for a month. Mr Stratton proposed it be dealt with at next Association meeting. All groups to be asked to attend.

HQ Hut at Everton.

The DC also mentioned the Hut at Everton, showing that it was in a bad state. He thought of applying to the Special Areas Commissioner in Edinburgh for a grant towards building a new Hut. The existing structure had been there for 10 years and Mr Stratton thought it would make a good nucleus for the Bonfire. On the motion of Mr Finnie, and with the full approval of the Association, the DC was authorised to go ahead.

Heating.

Mr Morrison drew attention to the bad heating of the Headquarters.

Camping.

Mr Finnie reported that permits for camping must be given to Camp Skipper on arrival at Everton. Seasonal permits might be granted on application. For camping outside District, 21 days notice must be given to Mr Finnie on form provided.

After discussion, it was agreed that the pond should not be opened for use, at least until the beginning of May.

Mr Salmon.

The Camp Skipper spoke about treatment of tin cans at Everton, and said that a picket would require to be posted beside the pond, and probably, in time, different times for older and younger boys would require to be fixed. Since there had been some difficulty about keys of Everton Hut, he said he would only give these GSM's

Alex Philp, Chairman

A Ian Dunlop, Honorary Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St., on Tuesday, 27th April, 1937 at 8. o’clock pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

Sederunt

District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs A. Philp, J.J. Swan, A.I. Lyle, Colin Finnie Jr,; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; Mr. Fred Gale; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 70th; 86th, 89th, and 4th Greenock.

Attending – Mr. Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary;

Mr. John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer;

Mr. A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

And Rev Alex. Philp in the Chair.

Warrant.

The District Commissioner presented a warrant as Assistant Cubmaster of 57th Group to Miss S Nicol.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting dated 30th March 1937 were read, approved and adopted on the motion of Mr Gale.

Letter.

A letter was read from the County Commissioner expressing thanks for congratulatory letter sent to him on his recovery from a recent illness.

Coronation Programmes.

Mr Colin Brown gave details of arrangements about distributing Coronation Souvenir Programmes, assessing quotas to be sold by each Group. Scouts should sell the programmes at Coronation festivities.

Coronation Bonfire.

Mr Stratton appealed for support to build the bonfire on Lyle Hill. A tent for use of those camping on Lyle Hill on guard would be supplied by 52nd Group.

Coronation Parade.

The pParade to the top of the Lyle Hill for the lighting of the Bonfire would leave George Square at 8.30 on 12th May. The Wellington Pipe Band would lead if possible. A proposal that, if they were unable to do so, that the Police Band be asked was defeated.

Pirrie Park Parade.

The Gourock Trades Band and 5th Pipe Band would attend the Pirrie Park Parade. The 70th Troop was asked to supply the Colour Party. The 38th Troop was asked to raise and lower the flag in the park. Mr Fred Gale volunteered to deal with collecting boxes.

Chief Scout’s Silver Wedding.

Circulars had been sent out dealing with the Chief Scout’s Silver Wedding, and circulars giving details of Gala events and tickets for sale were circulated.

New Group.

The District Commissioner reported that, as a result of trouble in the 7th Group, he had formed a new Troop under Mr William Ferguson, and asked the Association to concur in the matter. Mr Stratton objected to the new Troop being started without Headquarters of their own and using the Association Headquarters. The DC explained that the matter was delicate and an emergency situation had arisen. He deprecated the bad spirit behind the trouble.

On the suggestion of Mr Gale, the Association concurred in the formation of the new Troop - 4th Greenock.

The resignation of Mr Ferguson as SM 7th Troop was read and accepted, and applications as SM and ASM 4th Greenock were approved in the names of Mr William HH Ferguson and Mr. John Mackay. An application for registration of the Group was then approved.

Coronation Sports.

By a vote of 7 to 5, the Association agreed to discourage Troops wishing to take part in a relay race against the Boys Brigade at the Sports on Coronation Day at Cappielow. A letter from the Town Clerk was read giving details of the events, one of which was an Inter Troop Relay.

Milliken.

A circular about camping at Milliken was distributed.

Youth Rally in Edinburgh

A letter from the County Secretary was read asking if any Scouts wished to attend the Youth Rally to be held in Edinburgh on 8th July at which the King and Queen would be present. Mr Stratton suggested that several boys should be sent. This matter was left on the table.

Reports - Finance, Everton, Lets Committee.

The following Lets had been granted.

To Cub Council April 17th (2/-) May 14th (2/-). = 4/-

To Rover Council May 3rd. 1/-

To 45th April 10th (1/-), 21st (1/-), 26 (2/-), May 5th (2/-) = 6/-.

To 70th April 16th (1/-) April 23rd (1/-) April 30th (1/-) = 3/-

to 4th Greenock April 15th, 19th, 22nd, 29th (4/-), May 10th (2/-) = 6/- Association Next meeting 2/-

The following accounts were passed for payment.

From John Hume 10/ 7½ (HQ expenses)

County Flag Examiner 4/-.

Everton 7/-.

Secretary’s Expenses 7/9.

New Everton Hut.

The District Commissioner had applied to the Special Areas Commissioner for a grant for building of a new Hut at Everton and had been granted £100. The lowest estimate for building the Hut was £119.10. The Margaret Street Property Trustees would grant £30 at the beginning of the year.

A Committee consisting of Mr W Dally, Mr Stratton, Mr Gilliland, the Camp Skipper and Mr TC Wilson with co-opting powers was appointed to consider the question of cost if we were to build the Hut ourselves and to receive estimates.

Badges.

Badges were still going well.

HQ.

The Headquarters Committee met on Wednesday 7th April for half yearly inspection of HQ. The Committee were generally satisfied with the state of HQ and credit was reflected on the warden. Some minor points required attention. It was recommended that in view of holes being made in the walls with drawing pins, that sheets of plywood be purchased for use of Patrols. This recommendation of the Committee was not upheld by the Association, which forbade drawing pins being put into the walls. It was suggested that HQ be painted in one year's time.

Competitions

\*County Flag.

The 45th and 32nd Renfrewshire Troops had entered for the Greenock District County Flag Competition, which had been judged by Mr Findlay (ADC Paisley). The 32nd had been chosen to represent Greenock.

\*Shannon Cup.

Entries for the Shannon Cup Competition should reach Mr Sam Thompson before 1st May.

\*Fire Shield.

The Fire Shield competition would be held at the foot of Patrick St on 2nd June.

\*Public Service Vase.

Mr Farrish in charge for the Public Service Vase Competition, was in hospital with scarlet fever. Mr. Munn was appointed to deal with the matter in Mr. Farish’s absence.

No Cub Council Report

Rover Council

A meeting of Rovers had been held on 1st March. The Rovers were asked to assist in the Bonfire work. A vote of thanks was proposed to Chairman for work done in connection with Mock Trial. The following Constitution was read and approved-

1. The Council shall be called the District Rover Scout Council.
2. There should be an Annual Meeting of all Rovers in Greenock District on the first or second Monday of October each year.
3. At the Annual Meeting, the Rover Council Secretary shall give a report of the Council's activities for the past year, and the Rover Council Treasurer shall give a financial statement.
4. The Council shall be composed of a) DC ex officio; b) the ADC (Rovers) c) two representatives of each Rover Crew in the District; the names of these to be sent to the Rover Council Secretary before the Annual Meeting each year. d) Lay members appointed at the Annual Meeting.
5. The Council shall exist to promote the better organisation, expansion and social amenities of Rovers in Greenock District.
6. All findings of the Council shall be submitted to the Association for confirmation, a report being presented at each Association meeting.
7. One third of members shall form a quorum.
8. Each member of Council shall have one vote. The Chairman shall have a deliberative and a casting vote.
9. Each Crew shall pay a membership fee of 2/6 per annum and fee for Lay Members shall be 1/- per annum.
10. The Treasurer shall present a statement at each Council meeting and all payments must be authorised by the Council.
11. Any change in this Constitution must have the sanction of all Rovers as at Annual Meeting and reported to Association. Also, one month's notice must be given of any such proposed alteration.
12. The auditors shall be appointed to audit the books annually.

A Council Meeting was also held on 1st March. It was decided that there should be more debates soon. Any Rover Crew failing to pay fee within three months would not be entitled to any benefits from Council.

A Council meeting had been held on 22nd March. The Chairman and Secretary were appointed representatives to the County Rover Advisory Committee. A weekend camp would be held at Everton on the 2nd/4th April. The Gala Committee was asked to include a Rover Scout Team Race in the Gala.

There was to be a camp for Rovers at Milliken on 1st/2nd May.

New Scheme.

The Secretary gave details of the new scheme for the organisation of the Association. The Association would meet once or twice a year and appoint L.A. Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, District Scouters, Lay Members and receive reports. The Greenock Executive would consist of DC, ADCs, Districts CM, SM, RSL, Chairman and Treasurer of Association, all GSM's, Secretaries of Everton Pack, Troop and Crew, Camp Skipper or deputy, Badge Secretary and Lay Members. This would meet as Association does at present. Approval of Executive was required for all matters. The sections of the Everton Group would deal with matters affecting the sections and with competitions etc. The Secretary and Treasurer to report at each Executive meeting and all sectional matters. Warrants to be approved by Executive and DC and be presented at Sectional meeting. There were many questions asked and then the scheme was approved - to come into force after next Annual General Meeting in October.

Next Meeting.

At the request of the Secretary, the next meeting was postponed for one week till 1st June.

Camp Forms.

Mr Finnie said that camp forms should be sent in to him 21 days before date of camp.

William Millar Scholarships.

Forms might be had about the William Millar Scholarships.

This was all the business.

James J Swan, Chairman, 1/6/37

A Ian Dunlop, Secretary.

**At Greenock and within Headquarters, Robertson St., on Tuesday, 1st June, 1937 at 8. o’clock pm,**

**Being a Monthly Meeting of the Association.**

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District Commissioner, HW Butter; ADCs Wm. Shearer, J.J. Swan, Colin Finnie Jr; District Cub Master, Miss Jean Tulloch; District Scout Master, John T. MacDonald; Camp Skipper, E.W. Salmon; Mr. W.P. Stratton; Mr. Fred Gale; and Representatives of the following Groups: 5th, 7th, 10th, 11th, 22nd, 32nd, 33rd, 38th, 45th, 52nd, 57th, 59th,70th; 80th, 86th, 89th,.

Attending – Mr. Colin Finnie, Badge Secretary;

Mr. John T. MacDonald, Hon. Treasurer;

Mr. A. Ian Dunlop, Hon. Secretary.

ADC JJ Swan in the Chair.

Warrant.

A warrant as ASM 33rd Group was presented by the DC to Mr Peter Ferrier.

Minutes.

The minutes of the meeting dated 27th April 1937 were read, approved and adopted on the motion of Mr Shearer, seconded by Mr S Thompson.

Business Arising.

Mr William Shearer brought up several questions. He intimated that his Group, not knowing of the ruling of the last meeting, had entered for the race against the Boys Brigade at the Coronation Sports. He asked why competitions had been postponed and when reasons for this were given, he expressed himself satisfied.

Warrant Cancellation.

The warrant of Mr. T Kirkwood GSM 23rd Renfrewshire was received for cancellation. Mr Kirkwood was resigning because of pressure of business.

Letter.

A letter had been sent to Rev. JD McCulloch, retiring minister of Mearns Street Church, extending to him the good wishes of the Association in on his retiral, and thanking him for his services.

Youth Rally.

There was a further letter from the County Secretary about the 8th July, Edinburgh Youth Rally. There was discussion on the question of sending boys, but it was decided that this was impracticable.

Chief Scout.

So far, there were very few subscriptions to the Chief Scout’s Silver Wedding Fund.

New Registration 80th Renfrewshire.

The 4th Greenock Troop had been registered as 80th Renfrewshire.

Coronation

The Secretary proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Brown and Mr Stratton and their helpers for all that they had done in connection with the distribution of programmes, and building of Bonfire respectively. The Association applauded.

Pirrie Park Parade.

The 45th and 52nd would help to take the collection at the Pirrie Park Parade - permission having been obtained from SHQ for Scouts in uniform to take a collection at a divine service.

Reports- Finance, Everton and Lets

Following Lets had been granted to

80th Renfrewshire May 4/-, May 18th 1/-, May 25th 1/-, May 31st, 1/-, 3rd June 1/-g

70th Renfrewshire May 7th 1/-, 14th 1/-, 21st 2/-,.28th 2/-.

45th Renfrewshire May 17th 2/-.

Association 22nd June 1937 or next meeting 2/-.

The following accounts had been passed for payment.

Ardgowan Estates Rent and rates £4.1.3.

Gas Heaters £1. 7.10.

Gas (Feb. to May) 19.3.

Electricity (Feb. to May) 16.8.

Secretary’s Expenses 5/4½

No charge could be made in the charge for letting HW to Rover Council.

A new minute book was required by the Secretary.

An application for use of 16 card tables and 4 long tables by St. Johns Church Troop was granted.

£10 final balance due to Mr Russell for purchase of HQ had been paid by Margaret Street Trust and had been paid over to Mr Russell.

Cement was required for Everton.

The report was adopted.

New Everton Hut.

The grant from Special Areas Commissioner for new Hut at Everton had been increased to £125. There were two conditions which could easily be complied with. The Committee appointed at last meeting had considered the suggestion that the Hut might be built by the members of the Association, but had found it impracticable. The Committee, without Mr Stratton and Mr Gilliland, was reappointed to deal with the building of the hut and was given powers of co-option.

Badges.

Badges were still going well.

Competitions.

\*Shannon Cup.

Mr McWhirter, Barrhead, was Examiner for the Shannon Cup Competition. Two troops had entered. The competition had unavoidably been postponed until 19th June. Circulars have been given out giving instructions.

\*Fire Shield.

The Fire Shield competition would be held tomorrow.

\*Public Service Vase.

The Public Service Vase competition had also been postponed owing to the convenor being in hospital, but would be held in the near future. The Secretary asked GSM's to remember to send winning patrols to next Association Meeting.

Cub Council.

The Cub Council had met on 16th April. 150 Cubs had attended Gaelic Church on 25th April. Cub Picnic would be on Saturday 5th June to Everton. Cub Display would be in Seafield on 28th April.

The Council had met on 14th May. The Display had been a success - 710 in audience, 316 Cubs, 43 CM's etc - total 1089. Collection had been £9.

A Coronation Dance would be held on 20th May.

There would be an exhibition of Cub craft in December.

Training camps for CMs had been arranged for 12/13th, 19th/20th June 1937.

4 Lady CMs she aims were taking part II of the Wood Badge course at Wemyss this summer.

Next Meeting.

The next Association meeting was fixed for 22nd June.

“Scouty Methods”.

The following Committee was appointed to go ahead with another edition of “Scouty Methods” - the DC, the Secretary, Mr. Brown, Mr Hume. The publication would be ready for the information gathered at the September census.

Auditing.

The Secretary suggested that the Association should do its duty with regard to auditing of books or of demanding an audited copy of financial statements from each Group. It was decided to minute the following “that each open Group send a copy of a statement of its finances to the Association annually”, and that controlled Groups be asked to do so. Mr Colin Finnie Jr. on the Secretary’s suggestion, agreed to attend to this matter in the current year.

Camp Forms.

Camp forms for summer camp should be sent to Mr Finnie before 10th June at latest.

Scout Notes.

Mr CRD Brown drew attention to the fact that a note had been inserted in the Telegraph beginning “Give a Scout a job to do ------”. He felt *that* this savoured of self praise and was not worthy of Scouting. The Secretary was asked to write to the ”Skipper” pointing out these objections. Mr Brown felt that perhaps there was not adequate supervision of “Scout Notes”.

Gala.

Since entries in recent years for Gala had events had been coming in too late, it had been decided that in future years, a definite latest entry date would be fixed.

Inscriptions.

Mr Shearer asked if it was right that Troops winning trophies had to put inscriptions on at their own expense. It was decided that the Association should pay for these inscriptions.

Mr Orr's Portrait.

The portrait to be presented to Mr Orr was now ready. Small copies might be had from the DC at 7/6 per dozen.

There was discussion on the form of the gathering at which the portrait was to be presented. After much discussion, the following Committee was appointed to consider the question -the Secretary, Mr Philp, Miss Tulloch.

A provisonal date, Tuesday 31st August, was fixed for the meeting.

This was all the business.

Alex Philp, Chairman.

A. Ian Dunlop, Secretary.