



Chairperson's

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER

I would like to thank each and every one of you for your continued support throughout this last year. We have a wonderful team of volunteers, helpers and committee members but we can't do it without you and your support.

At the beginning of 2021 we still held weekly Zoom meetings with our young people, but in April we were finally able to meet face to face. Oh what a joy! Everyone was glad to be getting back to the hut, albeit with some restrictions. Thank you also for continuing to pay your annual census whilst the weekly meetings were held over Zoom. We still had ongoing costs like insurance and the census to cover.

In April we had a work party to clear the outside space to the right of the entrance. We found a lot of rubble, stones and other rubbish which we got rid of. The area was flattened and grass seed put down. It is now safe again with the removal of the rubbish, but just needs a good cut and hopefully we're able to make use of the area next year.

Due to the increasing number of Scouts we opened a new Scout pack in September. The Jack Thomas Scout Pack meet every Tuesday and named themselves in honour of Blandford's Jack Thomas Counter VC.

In the autumn some of our leaders had a good sort out in our store rooms. All the tents and equipment are now labelled and listed - ready for next years adventures!

Thank you again for all your support in these past twelve months. I wish you a wonderful Christmas and all the best for the new year!





What's in store for 2022?

We are working on

- Replacing the windows
- Creating an outside shelter so the packs can be outdoors as much as possible
- Purchasing archery equipment
- Purchasing new tents

Hopefully we can hold some more fundraising events next year. As soon as we have some dates set we will let you know.

We are still looking for a

- Cleaner for the Scout hut
- Secretary to join our Executive Committee

Contact us if you are interested or want to join the team in any other way. We always appreciate the extra hand.

Don't forget to use Blandford Scout Group as your chosen charity for Amazon Smile. It's easy and quick to set up, but give us a shout if you have any questions.

Date for your diary: AGM 11th June 2022

See you in 2022!

