



**Student Scout and Guide Organisation
Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Rhydd Covert Campsite,
Kidderminster
Sunday 22nd February 2009, 10am**

Present:

Darren Clowes (DC)
Emma Dean (ED)
Matthew Lewis (ML)
Paul Thompson (PT)
Heather Coupe (HC)

Chairperson 2008-2009
Secretary 2008-2009
Treasurer 2008-2009
Members' Officer 2008-2009
Publicity Officer 2008-2009

Sally Payne

SAGGA Chairperson

Aberdeen
Aberystwyth
Bangor
Bath
BCU
Birmingham
Cambridge
Cardiff
Durham
Edinburgh

Lancaster
Leeds
Loughborough
Manchester
Portsmouth
Sheffield Hallam
Sheffield
Southampton
Swansea
UWE
Warwick

Indies:
David Clarke
Dominic Figon

Leicester from part way through point 8.

1. Apologies for absence:

Girlguiding UK
The Scout Association
St. Andrews
Nottingham

Before the AGM gets underway DC informs the room that the associates present do not have a vote apart from for the Associate Rep. Everyone is asked to raise their hand if they wish to speak, anyone shouting will be asked to leave.

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen) asked if voting could be by show of hands.

This went to a vote:

For voting by show of hands: Majority

For paper votes: 4

All votes in the AGM will continue by show of hands.

DC asked for associates willing to be Tellers. These were appointed as: Rich Crook, James Thornton and Colin Steward.

2. Approval of Minutes:

AGM 2008:

Leeds wish to be added to the list of clubs in attendance, as they put in a successful rally bid they were obviously present!

Minutes proposed: Louise Flower (Leeds)

Seconded: Will Brown (SCOGUI)

EGM: Summer 2008

The executive should read 2008-2009

Minutes proposed: Russell Mayal (Sheffield)

Seconded: Matt Bolt (Southampton)

3. Officers' Reports

Publicity Officer

- Attended the Guiding Annual Event and Gilwell Reunion
- Sent out publicity for Innovate
- Designed a new poster but the exec decided they were not happy with the new design
- Launched a poster competition the deadline of which has been extended for a couple of weeks.

Members' Officer

- Attended a few exec meetings and phone conferences
- Written a policy document and some factsheets
- CRB's approximately 200 people-now over half the member is CRB'd which means PT must now eat a CRB form
- There are 20-30 more members but club numbers are down which is a slight concern
- Would like to thank the membership for bearing with him through nagging emails and problems with CRBs.
- Reminds clubs that all members must be CRB'd not just those going to rally.

Treasurer

- Attended Gilwell Reunion
- Sorted a new merchandise supplier as the old one went bust
- Looked at new lines of merchandise but these have not yet been implemented for financial reasons
- Bought display boards-being used this weekend
- Had the accounts audited in time for AGM

- Purchased camp beds following the first aid review
- Attended SAGGA AGM

Secretary

- Attended Gilwell Reunion and the GirlguidingUK Annual Event
- Written the National Events policy document
- Written a number of factsheets
- Attended exec meetings and writing weekend
- Written the minutes
- Put together 3 SSAGO News
- Collated club reports
- Sorted the Returning Officer with help from SAGGA and opened the nominations with help from other exec members
- Continued liaising/good relations with SAGGA
- Chased outstanding issues concerning the Crystal Maze Rally
- Been interviewed for Guiding Magazine-report due in March edition.

Chairperson

- Sent and received hundreds of emails and phone calls
- Discussed rules and regulations with The Scout Association
- Attended Gilwell Reunion
- Organised the exec writing weekend to sort policy documents and factsheets

4. Headquarters' Reports

GirlguidingUK

ED read a message from Becky Broughall:

Sorry I can't be with you...but you have chosen Thinking Day weekend!!

I went to Innovate Dalguise in Scotland and really enjoyed myself as a staff member and adviser, it was good to have representation from SSAGO at the fringe.

Innovate Hellidon will be from Friday 26 June – Sunday 28 June 2009 and the application form was in February's Guiding magazine and online.

Senior Section members should be encouraged to sign up for YeSS, our Quarterly update via the girlguidinguk website.

Look out for exciting Centenary Opportunities from both CHQ and at Regional/National and Local Level. Also, what about doing a Changing the World Project as part of your SSAGO programme?

Thanks for all the good work supporting Girlguiding UK and enjoy yourselves!

The Scout Association

No report received

5. SAGGA Report

Sally Payne the SAGGA Chairperson gave the following report:

Thank you for inviting SAGGA to join you at your AGM and particularly for arranging a rally that is relatively close to my home in Redditch. We held a SAGGA summer camp here in 2004 during which we helped to construct the new shop, added to the totem pole and developed the quiet area in the wood behind the service team

area. It's great to return to Rhydd to see how our work has been developed and taken forward by the site team.

Over the last 12 months we have been pleased to continue the positive relationship that we have with SSAGO. It was great to welcome a SSAGO delegation to our AGM near Wigan in April. We hope that those present enjoyed the good food, the company and the interesting presentations on Jamborees past and recent.

SSAGO members are of course welcome to join us for any of our national and regional events and a few brave ex-SSAGO members joined around 100 SAGGA people for our annual summer camp just inside the M25 at Cudham, Kent last summer. Activities included building some new toilets, painting some old toilets and other non-toilet-related activities such as refurbishing a building. Social events included sleeping in the site's yurt, several campfires and rescuing tents from wind storms. The local tent repair shop did a good trade in tent poles that weekend!

Other activities that have kept SAGGA members busy during the last year include:

- Manning two bases at the Malvern Challenge
- Producing some guidance material for Scout and Guide groups wishing to build a new meeting place
- Eating pancakes
- Walking
- Sailing and
- Conservation work on local campsites

There are a couple of activities that I would like to mention for the year ahead that may be of particular interest to SSAGO members. Firstly, we have holding a Leader Support Weekend from 13-15 March at Blackwell Court, not far from here. The aim of the weekend is for active Scout and Guide leaders to share information, resources and ideas with others from around the country. We will have the opportunity to try out some activities before using them with our Scout or Guide groups, and of course there will be a social element too. If any SSAGO members (or new SAGGA members) would like to join us for the weekend we are offering a limited number of subsidised places at a cost of £5 per person. This includes food and accommodation. If you are looking for a gentle way to experience SAGGA activities then this might be the event for you. Come and pick up a form from me after this meeting.

I would also like to invite you to join us in manning a base at the Malvern Challenge on Saturday 27th June. You can stay on site if you wish, paying the staff rate of around £5 which includes food, or you can just join us for the day. We usually repair to the Rising Sun pub for refreshments before heading home or back to the site on Saturday evening.

If you fancy joining us for some more physical service activities, why not try our summer camp? This year we are staying at the Giants' Seat campsite near Manchester from 15-23rd August. The event costs around £6 per person per day, food included.

Finally, we are currently working with the organisers of the GirlGuiding Centenary Camp in Leeds in August 2010. We will be camping at Bramhope Scout campsite during the event and will be providing service during the camp itself. If you would

like to be involved in supporting Guiding's centenary celebrations, why not join SAGGA today to keep informed about our plans and involvement.

I would just like to finish by saying thank you to Daz and the team for working with us over the last 12 months, and we wish the new SSAGO committee all the best for their term of office.

6. Financial Report

£3608.37-Current Account
£2832.29-Development Fund
£422.29-Paypal
£31.31 Petty Cash

7. Presentation of Accounts

ML gives following report: These are the accounts for SSAGO for the year ending December 31st 2008. They have been audited by the Alan Williams, Area Treasurer for CATVOG. The membership from last year is greatly up because we have been chasing membership payments for all club members not just a few this year. Event Income is double this year but then event outgoings is nearly 5 times as high. This is because of the Crystal Maze rally held last February where the national organisation bank rolled it for two bills and thus had a lot more money back from the rally team than we would normally do so. Also in 2008 more events had loans than in 2007 with the Crystal Maze Rally not getting a loan and the summer rally having a loan this year where as the 2007 event did not. The breakdown of the events is as follows, 2007 Steering Group £122.15, Swansea £398.84, Aberdeen £0.00 (still awaiting accounts), Crystal Maze rally -£177.96 (still awaiting accounts), Loughborough Ball £-100. Merchandise income was greatly reduced this year this is due to the sales of 2007 merchandise making up a large amount of the previous years incoming. Like wise we had a smaller expenditure on merchandise because we did not have the large layout on 2007 merchandise. Our insurance costs were higher this year because within 2008 we paid for two lots of membership insurance due to a late payment in 2007.

Overall SSAGO is more cash rich and more asset rich than a year ago. We also have more debtors as Leicester still have not paid back their rally loan and we have recently given one to Loughborough for their ball. On the subject of Crystal Maze we are still awaiting bank statements for this event to make check the incoming and outgoing is as the receipts we have.

Liam (Edinburgh): Why do the SSAGO Beaver and Bunny have no value?

ML: They have no monetary value but are our property so need listing.

ML points out that the SSAGO flag needs to have a value-note for next year's accounts

No further questions on accounts.

Accounts proposed: Sam Robinson (Aberdeen)

Seconded: Liam Prescott (Edinburgh)

8. Constitution Changes

DC reads each change with any additions added from the Full Committee yesterday:

- *Modification of to "The returning officer will be someone appointed by the SAGGA executive committee" to read "In the first instance the SAGGA executive committee will be asked to appoint a returning officer, where SAGGA is unable, the Scout Association or Girlguiding UK will be asked. In last resort the SSAGO Executive will appoint the returning officer"*

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Several

- *Re-instatement of "A representative from both the Scout Association and Girlguiding UK must be invited to all Executive Committee Meetings" within Section 4.5*

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Several

- *Re-instatement of "Any change is subject to the approval by the appropriate representatives of The Scout Association and Girlguiding UK." Within Section 6.1*
Addition from Full Committee Meeting that the associations will have 1 month to respond otherwise it will be viewed as acceptance of the change.

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 2

- *Addition to Section 6.2 "The creation, modification and/or removal of Policy Documents is subject to the approval by the appropriate representatives of The Scout Association and Girlguiding UK."*

Addition from Full Committee Meeting that the associations will have 1 month to respond otherwise it will be viewed as acceptance of the change.

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: 2

- *Addition to Section 6.2 "At least 2 weeks notice of the nature of all proposed documents and/or changes must be sent by the SSAGO Executive Committee to all Student Scout and Guide Clubs, Independent Members, and Associates."*

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 2

ABSTENTIONS: 4

- *Addition to Section 6*

6.3 Factsheets

6.3.a Factsheets shall only provide recommendation and/or guidance. They do not define policy.

6.3.b These documents may be published, removed or modified at any point by the SSAGO Executive Committee without approval from the full committee.

6.3.c Any member may request changes to these documents by contacting the SSAGO Executive Committee.

6.3.d Any dispute regarding a requested change shall be resolved by the Chairperson, who may seek guidance from the representatives of The Scout Association and Girlguiding UK and any appropriate external organisation

FOR: MAJORITY

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: Several

Leicester enter the AGM.

- *Modification section 4.1 From “The formal structure of the organisation shall consist of the SSAGO Executive Committee; SSAGO Full Committee and the Conference” To “The formal structure of the organisation shall consist of the SSAGO Executive Committee; SSAGO Executive Assistants; SSAGO Full Committee and the Conference”*

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: A few

- *“Any member not defined in the SSAGO Full Committee may attend Full Committee meetings but does not have voting rights. Their speaking rights are at the discretion of the SSAGO Chairperson”*

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

ABSTENTIONS: A few

- *Modification Formatting of Section 4 to read correctly given insertion
Addition insert at Section 4.7
SSAGO Executive Assistants Aims
a SSAGO Executive Assistants are responsible for assisting members of the SSAGO Executive Committee in a specialised area.*

Composition

a The SSAGO Executive Assistants shall consist of: Webmaster, Merchandise Manager, and Notifications Manager

b The webmaster will report to the Publicity Officer. Where the position remains unfilled the Publicity Officer will assume this role

c The Merchandise Manager will report to the Treasurer. Where the position remains unfilled the Treasurer will assume this role

d The Notifications Manager will report to the Chairperson. Where the position remains unfilled the Chairperson will assume this role

Executive Assistant Appointments

- a Executive Assistants must be members of SSAGO*
- b Executive Assistants may be appointed at any time in accordance with Standing Order XYZ*
- c There is no defined term of office for Executive Assistants. They may continue there role until there position is terminated or they retire.*
- d Executive Assistants will be subject to an Annual review by the SSAGO Executive Committee*

Meetings

- a Executive Assistants may be request to attend SSAGO Executive Committee Meetings but they have no voting right.*
- b Executive Assistants may attend Full Committee Meetings, but they have no voting right*

Termination of Appointment

- a An Executive Assistant may be removed from their position by majority vote of the SSAGO Executive and giving 2 weeks notice*
- b An Executive Assistant may be removed by a motion of "No Confidence" subject to standing order "E"*
- c The Executive Assistant may retire from there position by giving 2 weeks notice to the SSAGO Executive Committee*

Addition to Standing Orders

Appointments

- 1) Appointment of Executive Assistant*
 - 1a) The SSAGO Executive Committee shall open applications for a position to all members of SSAGO*
 - 1b) Applicants must specify why they wish to hold the position and what previous experience they have that will benefit the position.*
 - 1c) The SSAGO Executive Committee may ask addition questions to applicants*
 - 1d) The SSAGO Executive Committee shall review all applicant's information before selecting the winner by majority vote*
 - 1e) In the event of a tie the SSAGO Chairperson will have the casting vote*

Liam (Edinburgh): Clarifies that the new tier of exec is basically Treasurer's Bitch, Secretary's Bitch and Web Monkey!

Exec: As such!

FOR: Majority

AGAINST: 0

Abstentions: Few

All constitutional changes passed.

9. Elections

Sally Payne takes charge. Whilst she is not the Returning Officer she has worked closely with them. As the membership has voted to conduct elections by show of hands Sally asks the 3 tellers to be ready to count.

The elections will begin with the contested position of Members' Officer, then go to Chairperson, Treasurer, Publicity Officer and finally back to the vacant position of secretary.

Members' Officer

Kevin Fitzpatrick (Birmingham): So why shouldn't you vote for Will? Because he's from Loughborough and the members' officer now is from Loughborough (heckling from members). Everything else is on my manifesto

William Brown (Loughborough): I really want this position as I want to do it well.

Questions for both candidates:

Matt Bolt (Southampton): What are you going to do to make the ongoing CRB process easier for clubs?

Will: Work at a more personal level to get these completed

Kev: Give each club a 'How to' factsheet giving every detail so there is no excuse.

Emily Pritchard (Edinburgh): SCOGUI, hats and members.....are you turning into Paul?

Will: I am Paul's long lost son!

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen): Who has the best oogi?

Kev gives it his all followed by **Will!**

Tim Roper (Bangor): (Holds up plastic bottle): How will you use this bottle to do your role?

Will: Hits Paul Thompson

Kev: Hits Will

Chris Brown (Nottingham/Associate): What will you do to help people fill in forms?

Kev: Give them Pimms!

Will: Give them Pimms and Hugs

Mat Lewis (Cardiff): Are you any good at remembering a series of 11 numbers or will the membership money continue to appear in the wrong accounts next year?

Kev: Yes

Will: Yes

Two candidates left the room.

Votes for Kevin: 43

Votes for Will: Lots

Abstentions: Some

Will Brown voted in as Members' Officer

Chairperson

Em Dean: I've enjoyed my year on the exec and would like to carry on especially to see the implementation of namely the national events policy document. I'd like to see

better publicity material produced over the next year and all the rules strongly implemented.

Questions for candidate:

Mary Burgess (BUSAG): Why the silly clothes?

Em: To make the AGM more enjoyable and to annoy Paul

Chris Brown (SNOGS): If elected will you wear the wig at all formal meetings.

Em: If you want me to, yes!

James Thornton (SSAGS): Will you buy a SNOGS badge for £1.50

Em: Only if they will vote for me and as they haven't turned up then no!

Candidate left the room.

Votes for Em: Majority

Votes for RON: 0

Abstentions: A few

Em Dean voted in as Chairperson

Treasurer

Mat Lewis: A lot of people thought I was stupid running first time around but once bitten, twice shy! I'd like to implement some changes in the merchandise and get some nice boxes so the merch can get out of my sitting room!

Questions for candidate:

Tim Roper (Bangor): (with a coke bottle): How can you use this bottle for maths.

Mat: I could rip the label into bits or count to three using the bottle, label and lid.

Matt Bolt (Southampton): How good are you at looking after valuable assets? (This is aimed at SSAGO bunny).

Mat: The bunny has no value so there is no need to change my ability of looking after such items.

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen): Do you know where your laptop is?

Mat: Going for a walk!

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): Will there be an accurate statement of assets next year?

Mat: Yes

Martin (Southampton): What's your password?

Kev (BUSAG): How do you unlock your phone?

Candidate left the room.

Votes for Mat: Majority

Votes for RON: 0

Abstentions: A few

Mat Lewis voted in as treasurer

Publicity

Kirstie Wright: I'm from Essex and part of the Essex media team. I'm a young spokesperson and I help with publicity in my district. As a fresher I have a fresh, new perspective to bring to this role.

Questions for candidate:

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): Bring from Essex what's your idea of safe sex?

Kirstie: Go for the other sex instead!

Tim Roper (Bangor): (With coke bottle): How could you use this bottle to publicize SSAGO?

Kirstie: Change the label to a poster and hand it out. If it had alcohol in it then it would be read!

Chris Brown (SNOGS): Why are you not in Essex attire?

Kirstie: What would that be?

Paul Thompson (SCOGUI): What are your views on stealing other organizations' publicity banners?

Kirstie: I don't agree

Candidate left the room.

Votes for Kristie: Majority

Votes for RON: 1

Abstentions: A few

Kirstie Wright voted in as Publicity Officer

Secretary

Position opened to the floor as no candidates.

Kevin Fitzpatrick: Proposed: Chris Brown (SNOGS), Seconded: Will Brown (SCOGUI)

Gaenor Harries: Proposed: Kate Stacey (SSWIGS), Seconded: Russell Mayal (Stings)

Sam Robinson: Proposed: Liam Prescott (Edinburgh), Seconded: Ian Clarke (Stings).

Sam: I'm from Aberdeen so I represent the small clubs. I want to promote SSAGO again, I am not standing for political reasons. I'm everyone's friend and I have whisky. I will be hung, drawn and quartered for running for this position!

Keve: Same as I said earlier that applies to this. I'm running a rally and now running for sec, just like Paul two years ago!

Gaenor: I'm a fresher from Cardiff and have had a ball so far. About 20 minutes into my first SSAGO event I thought the whole organisation was pretty awesome and wanted to be involved with running such things. I'm a 1990s baby and feel the other fresher on the committee needs some company. I love being on execs and making sure things are going on and everyone is having fun.

Questions to candidates:

Ian Drummond (Cambridge): Can you spell?

Sam: I have a clever Dictaphone that does it for me.

Kev: Yes

Gaenor: Yes

David (Aberystwyth): Will there be illustrations in the minutes?

Gaenor: Yes-if I can't spell the word I'll illustrate

Kev: I waffle so there might not be room.

Sam: The mascots are forgotten we need to get them in the minutes.

Are you going to the ball?

Gaenor: Yes

Kev: Not booked yet

Sam: I won't be alive by then!

Tim Roper (Bangor): Why didn't you run for this position before?

Kev: You can only run for one position at a time

Gaenor: I thought the logical progression would be through club and then SSAGO. Wasn't sure if I could go for it as I was a fresher but then it was suggested I might be good at it so I thought I'd give it a go.

Sam: I wrote a manifesto but got caught!

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): What are your positions on rallies in Scotland?

Sam: I'd support any rallies in Scotland

Kev: Love to go to Scotland for rallies

Gaenor: I'd go up again, Edinburgh was good as my first rally.

Vote by show of hands was very close so it was decided to take this to paper ballot. This was done and then the next two positions run for before the Returning Officer and tellers counted votes.

Final Votes:

Votes for Sam: 62

Votes for Kev: 48

Votes for Gaenor: 50

Abstentions: 6

Sam Robinson voted in as Secretary

Independent Members' Rep

Heather Coupe was willing to stand for Indie Rep.

Heather: I've been in SSAGO a long time and most of that as an Indie. I can carry on going to reps' meetings.

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): Why choose to go to reps' meetings again and again?

Heather: You don't find things out otherwise.

Kevin Fitzpatrick (Birmingham): Why not propose David (the other Indie)?

Heather: We decided through rock, paper, scissors at the pool yesterday.

Candidate left the room, Indies invited to vote:

Votes for Heather: 2

Votes for RON: 0

Abstentions: 0

Heather Coupe voted in as Indie Rep

Associate Members' Rep

This was opened to the floor for candidates.

Amanda Fraser (Aberdeen): There are already two people on the exec from Cardiff so it would be good to have a Scottish representative. I've been with SSAGO a year and graduated too quickly to remain a student member for longer.

James Thornton (Cardiff): Graduated in the summer from Cardiff SSAGS. I know most of the old gits around from sitting drinking with them. So I thought, 'why not represent them'!?!

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): Do people have to get their kit off or is it just personal choice?

James: (Takes his top off)

Amanda: I believe James has bigger breasts than me!

Rich Crook (SCOGUI): Like a drink?

James: Absolutely

Amanda: I can't as I'm driving

Candidates left the room.

Associate Members were invited to vote.

Votes for James: 5

Votes for Amanda: 2

Abstentions: 0

James Thornton voted in as Associate Members' Rep

10. Rally Bids

Spring 2010-4 bids: Cardiff, Edinburgh, Paul T and Southampton and Portsmouth

Southampton and Portsmouth (Mike-Southampton and Alice-Portsmouth). We rally want to do a rally! Use Lyons Copse which has a big hall and a kitchen. A barn dance venue is sorted. There would be a Brownsea trip and a seaside trip. The theme would be Sci-Fi. Mat Lewis will be provided with a gold bikini for a swim in the sea. There is an experienced leadership team-Darren Russell has offered to help.

Questions for Southampton and Portsmouth:

Sam Langham (Leeds): Can you clarify the theme?

S and P: Sci-Fi

Kevin (BUSAG): There is a slight disadvantage of joint working between clubs. Most of this rally has been organised via facebook.

Cardiff (Mat Lewis as Chantele Cross who wrote bid is ill). Doctor Who theme as Cardiff is the home of Dr. Who, there might even be some time travelling! The written bid has a picture of a time machine and a dalek on it! Activities will include a Wetherspoons Wipeout as Cardiff has so many, Uni pubcrawl, Castell trip-Castle trip, Swimming Pool, Galleries, if the weekend is right you may get to see a 6 nations

game so the English can see how rugby should be played, climbing, a train trip. To be held at Islwyn Scout Park. (Most of the activities were listed in Welsh and then translated into English!).

Edinburgh: (Sam- Aberdeen plus Liam and Emily-Edinburgh). Aberdeen rally was held in Edinburgh so we propose an Edinburgh rally in Shetland! The Microsoft Rally just for the law suit with the catchphrase 'What's your favourite error message'. Activities will be getting there, getting pissed, shagging sheep and getting home. You probably won't get there so there actually won't be any drinking. The committee will be sheep. No campsite is sorted as you won't get there anyway!

Questions for Edinburgh:

Kev (BUSAG): Back in the day there were week long rallies-would you consider it?

Edinburgh: YES!

Paul Thompson Rally: (Paul Thompson). This is not a joke bid. A Daz themed rally! A rally to be held at Gilwell, has all the facilities you need. Entire day in London like a Monopoly Run-get a ticket around London in the rally price. Don't have a team but could get it in place.

Questions for Paul Thompson:

Matt Bolt (Southampton): Would it be better than the last rally run by Old Gits?

Paul Thompson: Better by a long way!

Votes for Spring Rally 2010

Edinburgh: 12

Cardiff: 26

Southampton and Portsmouth: 67

Paul Thompson: 33

Southampton and Portsmouth win the bid to host Spring 2010 rally.

Summer 2010: 3 bids-Cambridge, Bangor and one from Colin Steward for the person on the 3rd seat back on the left.

Cambridge: (Ian Drummond). There has been a rally held at the campsite before. Medieval theme. Committee is in place. Liaising with the uni Celidh band for the Saturday night. Activities would be pub crawls, brewery trip, punting, look around a college, park games, swimming, Duxford-Imperial War Museum.

Bangor: (Ian Scott). Same site as the 2006 rally. Activities will include a Snowdon walk, train, beach, piggery pottery, pub crawls, zoo and electric mountain. The Welsh weather will be perfect for it. There will be cheese toasties on the Saturday night.

Questions for Bangor:

Louise Flower (Leeds): Swansea said it would be nice weather!

Bangor: It's a different area of the country.

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen): Will you have improved toilet facilities?

Bangor: We'll work on it.

Clarification of the theme: Round the world in 48 hours!

Paul Thompson Rally: (Will Brown who was in the 3rd seat back on the left!). To be held at Gilwell Park. A Chairperson is already in place.

Questions for Paul Thompson rally:

Liam Prescott (Edinburgh): Would everyone have to bring their own silly hats?

Will Brown: Yes

Will there be a price reduction for wearing a kilt?

Will Brown: Only if it is high vis

Paul Thompson (SCOGUI): I don't think that a summer rally at Gilwell is a good idea.

Votes for Summer Rally 2010

Paul Thompson Rally: 1

Bangor: 18

Cambridge: Majority

Cambridge win bid to host Summer 2010 Rally.

Autumn 2010: 1 bid-Loughborough

Loughborough: Medieval Theme. There will be a bouncy castle.

Questions for Loughborough:

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen): Can I bring Scotland down and beat you all up with that theme?

David (ManSSAGO): What are the campsite details etc?

Loughborough: The Oaks

Sam Robinson (Aberdeen): Why should we vote for another southern rally?

Loughborough: As we're amazing!

Votes for Autumn Rally 2010

Votes for Loughborough: A few

Votes for RON: Majority

Abstentions: A few

Following the vote to Re-Open Nominations the autumn 2010 rally was opened for bids from the floor. Three nominations: **Cardiff, Edinburgh Rally to be held in Manchester and Paul Thompson Rally.**

Cardiff: (Chantele Cross): There will be the Autumn Internationals so you can see Wales get dicked at rugby. We really want a rally even though Mat makes it look like a joke.

Questions for Cardiff.

Will SSAGS be too lazy to staff it as no one else will stand up and give the bid?

Cardiff: No!

Will sheep be fluffy and what temperature do they need washing on?

Is it still the same theme as the last bid?

Cardiff: Yes-a doctor who theme.

Edinburgh Rally in Manchester: (Sam Robinson and Liam Prescott): If we can't get to Shetlands we'll bring Shetlands to Manchester so it will be Shetland themed.

Highland cow steaks and whisky.

Questions for Edinburgh:

Will whisky be provided?

Edinburgh: Yes-we're working on the bud get

Ian (Cambridge): Will it rain?

Edinburgh: No!

SCOGUI: Do you have a site?

Edinburgh: Will either of you giving the bid do any work?

Edinburgh: Maybe-but ManSSAGO are in Manchester so they can do it!

Aberdeen: Will your brother be there with identical clothing to you?

Edinburgh: Oh yes!

Daz (Chair): Who will staff the event?

Edinburgh: We've got sheep!

Paul Thompson Rally: (Paul Thompson): Gilwell may be difficult to get hold of but would be the preferred campsite. It would have a hat theme and there will be free, multi-coloured hats for everyone! Transport links to the area are good and there are good activities in London.

Questions for Paul Thompson:

Tommy (Manchester): Can you make XL hats as I have a massive head.

Ian (Cambridge): How much is beer in London.

Paul Thompson: Expensive!

Emily (Edinburgh): Can we have small hats for small heads?

Kev (BUSAG): How much is Pimms in London?

Paul Thompson: I don't know

Votes for Autumn Rally 2010

Votes for Cardiff: 51

Votes for Edinburgh: 13

Votes for Paul Thompson: 60+

Paul Thompson wins the bid to host Autumn Rally 2010.

Ian Drummond (Cambridge) points out that the Cambridge Rally will be the most northerly rally in 2010!

11. Ball Bids

SSAGO Ball: 3 bids-Bangor, Swansea and Cardiff

Cardiff: We can offer all the same facilities as Swansea but an hour closer! Looking at the Holiday Inn in the City Centre.

Bangor: (Have a poster made up for the bid). Looking at two venues of the Celtic Royal (preferred option) which has a swimming pool and a gym. £22 for the meal and there would be 4 meal options including a hot salad! £90 for a double room and

£60 for a single. If this is too expensive for accommodation the Travel Inn is very close but would prefer it all to be in Celtic Royal. Opposite to a Fun Centre which does adult parties for anyone who arrives early. Free dj and the photographic society would provide good but cheap photos.

Questions for Bangor:

Scottish Clubs: How does one travel to Bangor?

Bangor: Same way as we travelled to Scotland!

Mat Lewis (SSAGS): Are you hoping to get the price knocked down?

Bangor: The cheapest offer is still under the current ball price.

Swansea: Looking at the Dragon Hotel which is 5 minutes from both the bus and train stations. Student ball packages are already in place at the hotel. Parking is available and there are numerous facilities. There is another hotel the Dolphin Hotel but this is not the preferred option. £55 a head but we'd be looking to get sponsorship as we did for rally. We'd like to run a ball after the rally experience and in the hotel there wouldn't be any rain!

Questions for Swansea:

If there is no rain what are the fire alarm facilities-are there no sprinklers!

Are there sheep provided?

Votes for SSAGO Ball 2010:

Votes for Cardiff: 2

Votes for Swansea: 36

Votes for Bangor: 47

Votes for RON: 6

Abstentions: 7

Bangor win the bid to host the SSAGO Ball in 2010.

12. Cutlery Cup

This is now open for nominations. It is for anyone who has done a lot for SSAGO and Scouting and Guiding during their time as a member of SSAGO. Nominations need to be to Daz by Friday 13th March, no longer than 1 side of A4 in size 11 arial black font. An email will be sent to clubs about this.

13. Future Events

SSAGO Ball: (Emma Kowalczuk)

14th March. £25 for the meal only. £55 for meal and room. Bookings will be taken after the AGM, book by 24th to guarantee a room booking will be open until March 1st but bookings after Tuesday are not guaranteed a room. Please pay by cash or cheque asap for the ball. Please come to the ball!

SAGUWE Rally: (Colin Steward)

Booking will open as soon as we know how! 10th-12th July. Woodhouse Park Campsite. Theme is musicals.

14. Any other business

- UCE is now BCE-Birmingham City University. The club would like to make SSAGO aware of this and would like it changed on ssagorally.
- The exec are awarding two people Honorary Membership this year, one to Ed Wilson our previous TSA rep who is to be presented with a hoodie. The other is to Sally Payne for all her hard work for SSAGO over the last few years, especially helping with the Returning Officer appointment and AGM. She will be presented with a gift at the SAGGA AGM on 3rd April. Sally is personally thanked for all her hard work.
- Banned Activities: There is a policy document on the website containing the banned activity list-please read it! There are only 8 activities and if you don't follow this you risk our good working relationship with Scouting and Guiding. Don't call socials 'This is not Laser Quest' as in the eyes of GirlguidingUK this is as good as it being Laser Quest!
- NAN and Activity Forms: If you are going away you need to submit a NAN form currently to the Chairperson but to the notifications officer once this person has been appointed. The same applies to the adventurous activities forms.
- SSAGO Bunny: This is not stealable so whoever has this has to give it back.

Meeting closed: 12.40pm

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