

A group of about ten people, including adults and children, are hiking on a dirt path that winds through a dense, green forest. The path is narrow and appears to be made of packed earth. The surrounding vegetation is thick with various types of green plants and trees, including some pine trees with visible cones. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day. The people are dressed in casual outdoor attire like t-shirts, shorts, and hats. Some are carrying backpacks. The overall atmosphere is one of a recreational outdoor activity.

# Scouting Waterloo Region

**Annual Report 2022**

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Annual report for the year ending August 31, 2022

Scouting Waterloo Region continued to recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. Programs for ages 11 and up continued as they have since July 2020 with meetings held entirely outdoors and in compliance with public health measures in place at the time. Meetings were generally at Laurel Creek Conservation Area every two weeks on Sunday afternoons for four hours.

Young people developed their leadership and teamwork skills through participating in adventurous outdoor activities including paddling, hiking, biking, canoeing, camping, and learning skills. The Troop visited The Hydrocut, a mountain biking area near Waterloo. In February, the Troop held a Klondike Derby. Pulling a sled with supplies, each patrol completed a route through Laurel Creek Conservation Area. At seven stations, they were tested by different teamwork and outdoor skills challenges.

Overnight camping programs re-started with a two-night camp in June at Laurel Creek. In the summer months, the program included a lot of canoeing after we obtained the use of six canoes and a canoe trailer. In July, we held our first program focused on older teenagers, a sailing camp.

In November, Scouting Waterloo Region successfully re-started age 5–10 programs, which had been closed due to COVID-19. The programs now operate entirely outdoors at various parks and conservation areas around Waterloo Region. Meetings were generally 1.5 hours long every two weeks on Sunday afternoons. An overnight camp was held in June.

The association is funded mostly by membership fees. In addition, the City of Waterloo provided a project grant of \$1700 towards equipment. This was spend mostly on base-camp equipment including a three-burner Camp Chef stove, pots, and other cooking equipment which was first used for the Otter Bevy and Timber Wolf Pack overnight camp in June.

Scouting Waterloo Region ended the year with 67 members, three-quarters of the membership in 2020, the last year with membership numbers mostly unaffected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Introduction to Scouting training program was offered twice. A total of nine adults completed it.

## *Membership by section*

Bevy (ages 5–7)	14
Pack (ages 8–10)	19
Troop (ages 11+)	22
<b>Total young people</b>	<b>55</b>
Scouters	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>67</b>

Members of the Board of Directors: Liam Morland, Jim Graham, Kristin Howard.

Scouting Waterloo Region was granted charitable status effective November 13, 2021. Charitable registration number: 799696802 RR 0001

# Scouting Waterloo Region

Financial statements for the year ending August 31, 2022

Cash basis

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

### **Assets**

Current assets

Troop bank balance \$3,862.50

Pack bank balance \$4,091.77

**Total assets \$7,954.27**

**Liabilities \$0.00**

### **Equity**

Equity, start of year \$3,142.00

Surplus (deficit) \$4,812.27

**Equity, end of year \$7,954.27**

**Total liabilities and equity \$7,954.27**

## Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

### **Revenue**

Membership fees \$9,242.00

Government grants \$1,700.00

Sale of goods and services \$20.00

Interest \$0.47

**Total revenue \$10,962.47**

### **Expenditures**

Charitable activities \$6,071.93

Management and administration \$78.27

**Total expenditures \$6,150.20**

**Surplus (deficit) \$4,812.27**