

# Club Reports for Back-to-Basics Survival Rally

September 2020

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# Aberdeen University Scouts and Guides



## Committee

Essi Turva (Chair)

Joseph Kieron Whitehead Smith (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Unfortunately, we haven't been up to much with our members. We held our AGM at the most inconvenient point when lockdowns in (committee) members' home countries had already started. The whole committee changed so we didn't have continuation in committee members. We have spent our time learning how to run a society, getting to know each other and trying to figure out what would work best for us.

## Highlight

Our highlight was definitely a hiking trip to Lochnagar. It was a successful trip in every way. We had a good number of participants and most of them were new members who then continued in our club afterwards.

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# Aberystwyth Student Scout and Guide Organisation

## Committee

Aaron Ramsey (Secretary)

Jenny Thyer (Treasurer)

Patrycja Gierlach (Vice President)

Philip Mottershead (President)

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# Bangor University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Alys Bailey-wood (Chair)  
Becca Barnard (Secretary)  
Fay Mundy (Guide Liaison)  
Jacob Rookes (Quartermaster)  
Joshua Clayton (Scout Liaison)  
Maegan Bradley (Social Secretary)  
Maisie Edwards (Treasurer)  
Philip Mavrovitis (SSAGO Rep)

## Club Activity

BUGS have had weekly meetings during lockdown. We took part in a wide variety of activities like themed quiz nights (Brooklyn 99 and Horrible Histories to be exact), an online scavenger hunt, a virtual escape room and we even had time to complete a (Beaver) badge - and we did all of this and more on Zoom! As an extra positive, Bangor University Student's Union has started using BUGS' online activities as an example to other societies. We may be a small society, but we sure know how to adapt!

## Highlight

Definitely winning the Hight Sherriff Award for Groups at this year's Societies and Volunteering Awards at Bangor. In addition to this two of our members also won a Gold Award for Outstanding Contribution from the SU. After not making shortlists for anything last year, we felt especially proud of everyone's achievements this year and really felt that all we did had been appreciated.

## Freshers

We have decided to start the year with more online activities, and we're easing the Fresher's in gently with a nice, simple quiz night. It's not what we originally wanted but it's a start - let's hope this year ends differently to last year.

## COVID-friendly activities

Find a role night (the same as previous years, the main difference being that this year we'll be on Zoom)

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## Support

It would be excellent if Clubs could share other online ideas with each other - this might not be something only for National Exec but if the exec could help with giving everyone a push, it really would help when trying to plan an online semester!

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# Bath University Guides and Scouts

## Scouts

### Committee

Anna Scott (Welfare and Inclusivity Officer)

Helen Harmer (Treasurer)

Ian Pearse (Scout Rep)

Isobel Ebdon (Guide Rep)

James Mitchell (Quartermaster)

Leah Firmstone (Secretary)

Matthew Ratcliff (Chair)

Ryan Prydderch (SSAGO Rep)

### Club Activity

Over lockdown we have held a variety of activities to keep us all connected. There has been a weekly quiz held every Friday, and a group of us started a weekly Dungeons & Dragons session that occurred every Sunday afternoon. A minecraft server was set up for all the BUGS members to share, as well as participating in the larger SSAGO one. Online games such as Scribbl and Cards Against Humanity have also been done on some occasions. Other activities included debating silly things, a Hogwarts themed virtual escape room and craft sessions for pride month. We also managed to substitute the originally planned summer camp with an online one, including the likes of fort building, scavenger hunts and baking. Currently, we are also running a walking challenge, where we are aiming to cumulatively walk the distance between all the SSAGO universities, whilst also doing other challenges related to different checkpoints.

### Highlight

Most of the club agree that the highlight was the Roman Rally.

### Freshers

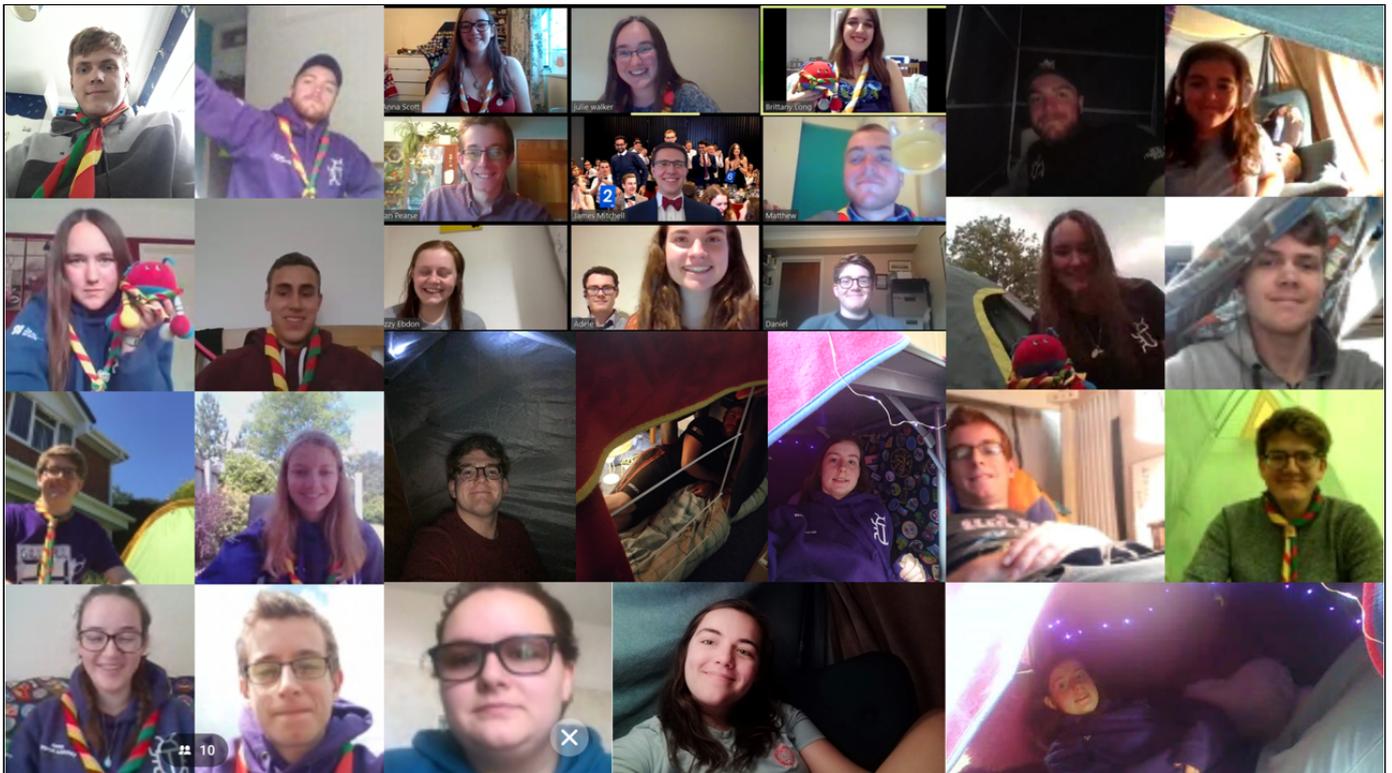
Freshers fair is going to be done all online. Information will be taken off of the society webpage and put on another website in a way that is supposed to make it better for freshers. This will all be controlled by the SU. There is also

the opportunity to do a Q&A webinar for freshers to find out more from the committee, so we may sign up to do this.

## COVID-friendly activities

We have several events that we are considering running, including online Scribble/pictionary, Netflix watch party, videocall yoga, follow along bob ross painting, online Cards Against Humanity, quizzes, treasure hunts, virtual monopoly runs, craft nights and some stroke association challenges.

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## Support

It would be good to continue to have access to a kahoot account.

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# Birmingham



## Committee

Eleanor Teather (Secretary)  
Elsa Frangleton (Camp Secretary)  
Holly Reyer (Social Secretary)  
Imogen White (Treasurer)  
Jude Blamire (Publicity)  
Katey Anderson (BUSAG Mum / OAP)  
Nathan Flaherty (Liaison Officer)  
Rosie Platten (Chair)

## Club Activity

We've been running a weekly chat, where we just gather on zoom to socialise, and a weekly meeting, which is an organised activity such as a quiz or game. Our ball committee have also been planning while we have a lot of free time.

## Highlight

We couldn't pick between three highlights: winning committee colander, winning the ball bid, chocolate rally, and Big BUSAG Breakfast, which is our annual January sleepover.

## Freshers

We know freshers' fair will take place online but have no further information. We've planned an open social and a get-to-know-BUSAG event for our new freshers. We have also had some new members popping into our August meetings.

## COVID-friendly activities

We have a term of online games and activities planned out (it's on our website if you fancy a gander)

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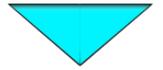


# Support

It might be quite handy to have a way to share online event ideas between clubs, in case we start running out of ideas.

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# Cambridge



## Committee

Andrew Jenkins (Chair and Sky Blue Editor)

Caitlin Stark (SSAGO rep and webmaster)

Charlotte Causton (ARU rep)

Emma Crickmore (Treasurer and SAGLO)

Emma Campbell (Secretary)

Kazuo Newcombe (Quartermaster and AAC)

William Vinnicombe (Social Secretary)

## Club Activity

Some games nights, some zoom baking

## Highlight

Forward, our February service event

## Freshers

Virtual freshers

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# De Montfort University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Bethan Daniels (Treasurer)

Mary Davidson (Secretary)

Rachel Cornish (Health & Safety)

Ruby Sharp (Chair)

## Club Activity

Over lockdown we have done a few quizzes and some of our members have been on the SSAGO discord. I have also been working on new banners/logos/branding for our social media.

## Highlight

Our club highlight was SSAGO Goes To Spoons as we joined up with SLUGS, had lots of food and drink and got alumni to send us stuff too!

## Freshers

A virtual freshers fair will take place on the 29th September where a promotional video will be displayed.

## COVID-friendly activities

Not yet

## Support

I am struggling to come up with activities to do over zoom apart from the general quiz, catch up, so any ideas would be great!

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# Derby University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Georgia Mantle (Social Media Secretary)

James Metharam (Chair)

Keith Thomson (Events Coordinator and Fundraising Coordinator)

Simon Adams (Secretary)

Tammy Roberts (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Over lockdown our club has taken part in a few virtual events, including the SSAGO St. George's Day Celebrations, Virtual Witan, our own online scavenger hunt, among other activities like, camp at home and Gilwell 24.

## Highlight

We enjoyed all the activities over the past academic year however our favourite non lockdown event was SSAGO goes to spoons, and our favourite event during lockdown was our virtual escape room.

## Freshers

Providing it is safe to do so, as well as within the guidelines of the student union, SSAGO and the government, the Derby Freshers Fair should take place over the 22nd and 23rd of September, with Derby SSAGO taking part on the 22nd, due to the rotational style system our union is planning to implement to ensure safety at the Freshers Fair. At the time of Writing our plan for the semester is in the works.

## Support

I know National are already working really hard on it (Thanks to the Exec) but the SSAGO COVID-19 Guidance would be useful sooner rather than later, as all our risk assessments have to be given to our union with two weeks notice.

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# Durham University Scout and Guide Group



## Committee

Chloe Todd (President)

Kate Roberts (Social Secretary)

Rory Baxter (Secretary)

Ryan Murphy (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Before Lockdown we were able to go on our Big Event trip to Amsterdam which was really fun and interesting as we all did a Canal Tour around the city. Throughout lockdown we have managed to run an online social almost every week. During these socials we have participated in quizzes, created our own quizzes, played online games (such as Skribbl and Werewolf), we also played our own version of Task Master. Another one of our socials was getting involved in the Build-A-Rally quiz. At the beginning of Lockdown we participated in Northumberland Scouts' Camp at Home while also holding our virtual AGM. During the Camp at Home, a group of us slept in dens/tents and participated in activities in order to complete challenge badges, we also had our own Virtual Campfire! We also got involved with Virtual Witan with a joint team with members from NUSSAGG - we won the quiz and the scavenger hunt and some of us worked towards the Witan challenge badge. We've also had 3 joint virtual socials with members from NUSSAGG - a quiz, our own version of 'Would I Lie To You?' and an online games night. We've also continued to do Viking Rally planning with NUSSAGG.

## Highlight

Although we've done quite a lot as a society this year, the highlight has to be our Big Event Trip to Amsterdam! Everyone had a great time as we all went on a canal tour of Amsterdam, some of us went to the Anne Frank museum and the rest of us explored Amsterdam such as the Flower Market and the local parks. The Amsterdam trip was also one of our most highly attended events. Even the journey on the overnight Ferry was fun (although a bit rocky at times!)

# Freshers

Durham University will be hosting an online Freshers Fair this year which will be on the 30th September and the 1st October so we are currently working on getting materials and information sorted for the online platform. We are also working on our Freshers' week plan which will be a mix of online and in-person (socially distanced) events. This mix means that if we are unable to host in-person events then we still have virtual activities available for Freshers. Some of the social ideas include: Geocaching, walks around Durham, Campfires, Online games and a scavenger hunt around Durham.

## COVID-friendly activities

All of our online events won't be cancelled due to restrictions such as Virtual Campfire, movie night, online games etc. We've also planned events that society members could go out and do on their own and then discuss/report back on a group video call such as Geocaching and Scavenger hunts etc as we would not need to meet up as a group to do this.

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# Exeter



## Committee

Alex Knapp (President)

Frederic Bentley (Social Secretary and Scout Rep)

Matthew Varney (DofE Coordinator)

Michelle Bailey (Treasurer and Guide Rep)

Rachel James (President)

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# Glasgow SSAGO



## Committee

Kasia Glinka (Treasurer)

Lucy Miller (Publicity)

Marina Montero (Chair)

Moira Piazzoli (Secretary)

## Club Activity

The last in-person activity we did was SSAGO goes to Spoons. Halfway through lockdown, we had the AGM and EGM to elect the new committee. After that, we were quite inactive until August, when we had an online Cluedo (including a presentation for prospective members) and Scavenger Hunt (see pic below), as well as voting to change our acronym to GLASSGO!

## Highlight

The highlight of this year is tie between Christmas dinner and Burn's night!

## Freshers

For Fresher's so far we've planned on doing an in-person tour around Glasgow/West End and an online activity, such movie night or a game, with a presentation for prospective members.

## COVID-friendly activities

The Cluedo and Scavenger Hunt were quite popular, and we hope movie nights are also successful.

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# Hertfordshire University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

João Camacho (Inclusion Officer)

Nicole Whyte (Treasurer)

Rory Bass (Chair)

Taylor Cordell (Secretary)

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# Hull's Own Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Amy Rutter (Treasurer)

Ben Hunter (Social Secretary)

Paul Furnival (Chair)

Rebecca Coy (Secretary)

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# Indie



## Committee

Amy Franklin ()

Rebecca Elliott (Indie Rep)

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# Keele SSAGO



## Committee

Emma Tatlow (Activities Coordinator)

Jake Richards (Treasurer)

Paris Wood (Secretary)

Rose Moran (President)

## Club Activity

We have been having weekly online zoom meetings. We've done all kinds of stuff from quizzes to socials to scribble

Every week we've met online and done something, beyond the time in which we would meet in a normal academic year.

Staying connected is something we have found particularly important this year while everyone had been stuck at home and especially since we couldn't finish off our year as usual!

## Highlight

This year our highlight was holding our first official socials! We have held a small range of drinking and sober socials and they've been well attended and successful events. This is something we are hoping to continue through Covid restrictions and beyond!

## Freshers

We plan to attend freshers camp (if it is possible for it to go ahead in some way!)

We will also attend our societies fair if it happens face to face

Meetings and socials will continue as usual, whether online or in person, once semester starts again

## COVID-friendly activities

online games like scribble or scattergories have been easy to run and very Covid friendly as they're online!

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# Support

Sharing of Covid friendly programme ideas is a great plan!

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# Kernow SSAGO



## Committee

Bobby Milling (Members Rep)

Bronwyn Cheshire (Fundraising Officer)

Daisy Woodley (Chair)

Gillian Hargreaves (Treasurer)

Grace Haycocks (Events Officer)

James Heath (Secretary)

## Club Activity

During the lockdown, our club put out on meetings, over Discord every Monday and Wednesday evening, on where we did various virtual events which included a virtual Taskmaster, a virtual Escape room, Geogussr, Skribble (online Pictionary), online card games and Jack-box games and other online games.

## Highlight

Our club's highlights were our Christmas Meal and Bath Rally.

## Freshers

We have lots of plans for Freshers which will all take place online and will take place every Wednesday between the 26th August and 30th September. These include a Meet and Greet, Taskmaster, Online Escape Room, and SSAGOK does Who wants to be a millionaire.

## COVID-friendly activities

Yes

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# Lancaster

## Committee



Alexander Reid (Events Officer)  
Charli Clement (Vice President )  
Clare Cowgill (President)  
Conor Farrell-john (Social Secretary)  
Georgina Atkinson (Social Secretary)  
Jenny Laws (Treasurer)  
Milli Mcquade (Secretary)  
Rebecca Allen (Secretary)

## Club Activity

Over lockdown we continued to hold our weekly socials over zoom! Organised by our social secs, these involved a wide range of activities including a murder mystery night, pub quizzes, games nights and a Dragon's Den social! On top of this, we held our own Task Master challenge over lockdown, with a couple of challenges each week such as short story creation, best sheep related items and a Master Chef! With points up for grabs in each challenge, we announced a winner at the end of summer term. The end of the year also brought about some important events: summer camp and the leavers meal! Our virtual summer camp was a huge success (thanks to our events officer!), over three days we took part in various competitions and games over zoom (some of which counted towards the Task Master challenge!). We even managed to have a 'virtual ramble' instead of our usual hike where we went on walks while talking on our Discord server. Lastly, we ended our summer term with the leavers meal, calling over zoom we said goodbye to our 2020 leavers while eating food and playing games. Over the holidays, we have been holding fortnightly welfare coffee mornings and socials over zoom to keep everyone in touch over the summer.

## Highlight

It is very hard to pick just one highlight of this academic year as it has been a unique year unlike any other and we all have such different personal opinions on what the highlight was! As well as having some of our well loved traditional socials like making mini mascots with the freshers, having a 17th Birthday

party for our mascot, having our annual alumni sleepover and freshers camp, we also did lots of new and amazing things both before and during lockdown (like a very successful murder mystery night and making cardboard gladiators), making it so hard to pick just one highlight!

One of the main highlights though would have to be going to the amazing rallies and retaining the Gadaffy plate!

Another major highlight of the year was all our lockdown socials, activities and virtual summer camp. They were the highlight of the week for so many of us and they kept our spirits high, reminded us we were not alone and kept us busy when we were all literally stuck inside.

In conclusion, the overall highlight has to be the amazing family-like community we have created in Lancaster SSAGO, which has kept us all going through the craziness of 2020!

## Freshers

- Online freshers event on Friday 2nd of October.
- First social themed on team building (involving socially distanced activities).
- Mini mascot making social.
- Freshers camp (will most likely not go ahead, especially as planned in first term, but possibly could be done during Easter term).

## COVID-friendly activities

Officially planned activities include a quiz night, which is intended to be in-person, but is easily transferable to online if necessary. We have a full risk assessment following both our university's and the government's advice for in-person socials. We also feel confident that we can host many online socials (if needed) as we had lots of practice over lockdown!

## Support

- Help with Scouting/Guiding top awards and D of E (especially with hike opportunities, etc...).
- Giving any general advice or activity ideas that would work well online/outside.

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# Leeds



## Committee

Catherine Duffy ()

## Club Activity

Nothing except an AGM. The club was starting to die anyway and no one planned anything. The AGM was also a flop because no one ran for any positions. We will be holding an EGM sometime in the Autumn term (probably October) to hopefully elect a new committee.

## Highlight

In terms of attendance: games nights were always well attended with board games and then always finishing off with Mario Kart Wii. Junkyard (mini) golf was also a good activity that was new to most of the people that attended.

## Freshers

We haven't been told what freshers will involved yet but the main thing is arranging the EGM. This might be because all of the committee have now graduated so we might have been removed from the university system without being told.

## COVID-friendly activities

No, we'll be lucky if we still have a club.

## Support

Recruitment. We need just one more person who is a student at the University of Leeds that will be on committee to keep the society going next year. (This is because the union insists the president, secretary and treasurer are all students at the University of Leeds and each society needs those three committee positions as a minimum).

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# Lincoln University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Gemma Mclean-carr (Treasurer)

Harvey Baxter (Chair)

Katherine Shaw (VP Scouting)

Kathryn Paternoster (VP Guiding )

Megan Nicolson (Social Media Officer)

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# Liverpool University SSAGO

## Committee

Cerys Hanson-jones (Chair)

Emily Minion (Secretary)

Emily Rumbold (Social Secretary)

Jack Woodward (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Since March, LUSSAGO have held their AGM, elected a new committee, taken part in the various activities taking place on the SSAGO Discord server, including the SSAGO Gets Active, the Scribbl, Badges at Home and the Camp Blanket chats. We've also done Zoom scavenger hunts, a pub quiz, and joined in on the SSAGO Camp at Home. LUSSAGO also won a Liverpool Guild award for the Biggest Impact on the City of Liverpool in July, and was also nominated for the Guild Values award.

Over the last few weeks, the committee have attended training sessions with the Guild, and have been contacted by other Liverpool University societies (Music and Life Science societies) to help provide contacts for some virtual outreach sessions for Merseyside Scouting and Guiding units.

## Highlight

After asking on our group chat, the resounding answer was hosting the northern fresher's camp! We ran a Monopoly Run, museum crawl, a walk along the Wirral coastline and a campfire and pub crawl in the evenings. It was great to see our new members (at the time) really getting involved and even helping out.

It was also great for everyone to get to know members of neighbouring SSAGO groups, meaning that we did a hike later on in the year with Lancaster, Salford and Manchester.

## Freshers

Our Guild has banned any face to face meetings so all of our plans currently are virtual events. We're planning to hold our first meeting on 1/10/20, with some ice breakers for new members to get to know the rest of the society.

We're currently looking into things the Guild are offering instead of a Freshers fair (e.g. advertising slots on screens in the Guild, featuring in online articles, applying for our photos and videos to be edited into a short clip).

## COVID-friendly activities

All done over Zoom - Bakeoff, Masterchef, Astronomy badge, Pumpkin carving, quiz night

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# Loughborough



## Committee

Ed Cubitt (Liaisons Officer)

Matthew Mundy (Secretary)

Molly Exall (Treasurer)

Oliver Bennett (Quartermaster)

Roanna Holmes (Chair)

## Club Activity

SCOGUI has been very busy since our last report, even if plans had to change a fair bit. We were lucky enough that in March we were able to run our annual night hike for local scouts and Guides, this year opened up to Explorers and Rangers for the first time, and this was once again a great success. The success of this was even greater as, only a few days later, Scouting Guiding and SSAGO were all suspended. SCOGUI would not however let the lock down get in our way. While the first few weeks were a challenge for all of us, getting used to a new way of running SCOGUI, by Easter we were all set up and ready to run virtual SCOGUI. Over the Summer term this included many fun and enjoyable activities such as a virtual games night, desk top pioneering and, the highlight for many, virtual task master. Alongside these fun sessions we didn't let lock down prevent us running our annual dinner online as well as our annual camping barn which included activities like an online Leicester monopoly run. Given the situations the term has been a success and has shown how adaptable SCOGUI can be, although we are all looking forward to hopefully being able to do more in person activities soon.

## Highlight

It is a challenge to choose a highlight of such a varied year, having had such a varied year. This year however our freshers camp won the award for the best event at the SCOGUI end of year awards. A special mention must however also go to the work completed to restore the oaks campsite jungle run and to our virtual task master evening, which was the highlight of our program during lock down.

## Freshers

We are unable to finalise our plans for freshers yet until our SU has confirmed the rules around society activities. We do however know that the freshers fair will be being run virtually, hopefully we should be able to confirm our plans in the next week or so.

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## COVID-friendly activities

plans so far include a task master evening which can be run online, a campus quest which can safely be done on socially distanced groups of 6 and a craft evening

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# Manchester



## Committee

Abby Lark (Chair (MMU))  
Emma Dixon (Chair (UoM))  
Jenny Chandler (Secretary (UoM))  
Katie Talbot (Treasurer (MMU))  
Rebecca Yeates (Treasurer (UoM))

## Club Activity

The 19/20 members have been meetings nearly every week for socials on Zoom, playing games, quizzes, having a natter etc. Then from June the 20/21 committee have hosted monthly Zoom sessions for new/interested members. We've recruited some freshers as well as returning students through these.

## Highlight

Everybody absolutely loved SSAGO Goes to Spoons so that's definitely a highlight. In terms of something unique to ManSSAGO, earlier in the year we finally won a pub quiz! We've been entering the same pub quiz on e every term for years, and have a history of just missing out on first place, but this year we finally broke our losing streak, winning lots of bonus prizes along the way. Everyone was so genuinely excited so that's our club highlight.

## Freshers

We've requested a stall at UoM's physical freshers fair which is being run on a very reduced capacity, but we're yet to hear if we've got a place (and the fair isn't guaranteed to even go ahead). We're guaranteed being able to participate in the virtual freshers fair though, and we've also made a 1 min video advertising ManSSAGO which will be featured on the SUs socials throughout freshers. We don't know if we'll be able to do any in-person 'try us out' freshers events this year due to Manchester still being under local restrictions. We'll continue with Zoom freshers socials if necessary!

## COVID-friendly activities

Mainly virtual stuff: online games, cocktails & mocktails, quiz, badge night

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# Support

N/A

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# Newcastle Universities Student Scout and Guide Group



## Committee

Jamie Greenwood (Liaison Officer)

Peter Reilly (Social Secretary & Welfare Officer)

Theresa O'sullivan (President)

Thomas Gabbitas (Treasurer)

Tim Rodaway (Secretary)

## Club Activity

We have promoted the discord to all our members and taken part in a lot of the events, from skribbl to geoguessr, minecraft and the easter hunt! We have also begun a series of games against DUSAGG which have been fantastic!

## Highlight

We hosted a really successful Monopoly run around the Toon, but of course we won the gadaffi plate and our bid of Viking Rally for next year!

## Freshers

We have begun publicity on social media and have already recruited 3 new members for this year, freshers fair is still so unknown for us, so we're going to plan for all possibilities during our upcoming programme meeting!

## COVID-friendly activities

Not yet, but a programme planning meeting is approaching!

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# Nottingham



## Committee

Abigail Allman (Treasurer)  
Emily Oxbury (General Sec)  
Emily Marina (Ssago Rep)  
Gwen Bevan (Vice Chair)  
Meghan Thorneloe (Chair)  
Richard Shaw (Publicity)  
Sally Ralphson (Social Secretary)

## Club Activity

At the start of lock-down, we had weekly meetings on Microsoft Teams. We had a few Kahoot evenings with quizzes like general knowledge, movies, and Guiding. Several of our members made their own quizzes for us to use at a couple of meetings. Online, we have played games of Cards Against Humanity, and Skribbl. In May we conducted our AGM over zoom, and a month later we had our end of year meal with prizes for all members in attendance and a video recounting the activities we did over the year. In June, after the committee roles had been handed over, we had a "Get to know your committee" quiz.

## Highlight

Our club's highlight is our consistent high attendance at events such as the Birmingham rally, SSAGO goes to Spoons, and our club Christmas meal.

## Freshers

Our Freshers fair is being done online from 10.30-16.00 on the 19th of September. We have applied for a channel so that Freshers can video chat with us, message us, and access documents to do with what the society is about. We have two try-it sessions planned; one in person and one virtual (the in-person activity can be modified if it must be online). We plan on doing a monopoly run around the campus in small groups, as well as a virtual crystal maze night.

## COVID-friendly activities

All the activities we have planned can be done over video call but can be easily adapted if in-person activities are allowed. We have planned activities such as scavenger hunts, origami, online escape room, and a film night.

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## Support

We would like support with organizing events, and would like more information on the SSAGO zoom usage.

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# Oxford University Scout and Guide Group



## Committee

Carina Williams (Chair)

Emma Hedley (Chair)

Emma Bird (Treasurer)

James Harris (Secretary)

## Club Activity

We met over Zoom every two weeks in the summer term, with a pub quiz, craft session, games night, and our Termly General Meeting where the new committee was appointed for 2020-21.

## Highlight

We had lots of highlights, but we especially enjoyed our day hike to Blenheim Palace, and SSAGO Goes to Spoons.

## Freshers

Oxford's virtual Freshers' Fair is on the 7th October, and we have applied for a stall. We are also trying to get some Freshers' advertising at Oxford Brookes. We will be running outdoor socials in the first few weeks of term to hopefully get Freshers involved in a COVID-secure environment.

## COVID-friendly activities

We have planned to hold socially-distanced walks, campfires etc. if we are allowed to meet, and have also planned activities that could be held indoors (socially distanced) or online for later in the winter when meeting outside is less feasible/if restrictions change.

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## Support

It would be good to get some more guidance on the risk assessments we are meant to be submitting (sorry if this guidance has already been given and I've missed it) - e.g. do we need one general COVID RA covering all activities, or individual RAs for each meeting? and how long before the activity do we have to submit the RA?

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# Portsmouth SSAGO



## Committee

Charlie Dalby (Treasurer)

Greg Tucker (Secretary)

Joshua Hagger (Chair)

Mark Morgan (Events Secretary)

Milly Hindson (SSAGO Rep)

## Club Activity

PUGS decided to run throughout the lockdown and we have done various online sessions such as Film Nights, with a mamma mia 2 showing which turned into a singalong; games nights with games such as cards against humanity, golf with your friends, and Scribbl.io. We even managed to squeeze in a bakeoff evening as well.

## Highlight

Going to Bath Roman Rally was a big highlight this year because of the fun range of activities the fact it was the only camp for this year so far and the funky roman theme!

## Freshers

Plans are currently in flux the hope is that we will be at an in-person freshers fayre on Monday 5th October in the Portsmouth Guildhall.

If not our union is also hosting a Virtual Freshers Fayre which people can access at <https://upsu-front.memplus.su/freshers> or go to our page directly at <https://upsu-front.memplus.su/memberships/view/WM2YF/student-scout-and-guide-organisation-society-pugs>

We will be running multiple activities in person and on our PUGS Discord server depending on restrictions

## COVID-friendly activities

How to get a £1000 pound fine for an illegal rave :) ? But no in all seriousness we plan to continue a fun and varied online program (maybe a few game show evenings in the future) and look forward to being able to meet in person to get

back to a more normal program

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## Support

Maybe a reduction in SSAGO fees due to no Rallies or other events taking place this year. Otherwise continuing to support the online offerings Minecraft, SSAGO Discord etc.

P.S. RELEASE THE PORTSMOUTH CHALLENGE BADGE :) :)

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# Royal Holloway, University of London SSAGO



## Committee

Emily Millard (Club Rep)

Joe Kay (Secretary)

Jools Elliott (Chair)

Kayleigh Fryer (President)

Matthew Miller (Treasurer)

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# Salford Student Scout And Guide Organisation



## Committee

Alicia Carling (Secretary)

Josh Macdonald (Chair)

Katherine Thomas (Well-being Officer)

Owen Vizard (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Salford has completed their AGM and elected a new Exec, other than that we haven't done anything due to a lack of time from the exec due to their other commitments.

## Highlight

Being nominated for the 'most improved' society of the year

## Freshers

We will be holding a virtual freshers fair

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# Scouts and Girl Guides York



## Committee

Aarti Prajapati (Treasurer)  
Anna Rigby (Quartermaster)  
Ffion Wyn Jones (Chair)  
Isabel Archer (Guide Liaison)  
Kimberley Holmes (Guide Liaison)  
Luke Connell (Scout Liaison)  
Megan Schlanker (Welfare officer)  
Nicole Collingwood (Secretary)  
Saffy Cook (Social Secretary)  
Sophie De Sousa (Welfare officer)

## Club Activity

We continued our weekly meetings over zoom during summer term, playing online games such as cards against humanity, online quizzes and werewolf. Over the holidays we've been having optional meetings every other week.

## Highlight

This year we found ourselves a new mascot in the form of a creepy painting from the back of our local scout hut. Many of our committee believe this painting to be cursed/haunted. The painting has been named Rando.

## Freshers

Currently our Freshers fair is happening but socially distanced e.g. one person per table, face masks and no handing out of leaflets etc. This will happen from the 3rd - 9th of September.

We are thinking of outdoor activities such as campfires to introduce prospective members to the club.

## COVID-friendly activities

We are planning to send out a survey to figure out whether to do socially distanced IRL activities, online ones, or (as we are currently thinking) a mixture of both. We may continue for example, online games via zoom as we did during summer term.

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# Southampton SSAGO



## Committee

Alex Banwell (Treasurer)  
Elsie Daniells (Social Secretary)  
Georgina Horwich (Scout Liaison)  
Holly Mepham (Archivist)  
Kirsty Batson (Guide Liaison)  
Leah Houlton (Secretary)  
Leon Brindley (Webmaster)  
Megan Riddell (Chair)  
Poppy Hall (Quartermaster)  
Rishi-nayan Varodaria (Scout Liaison)  
Sophie Foster (Social Secretary)

## Club Activity

Since March, we've been keeping all sorts of exciting socials online! These are since March 2020 - Pancake Day AGM, SSAGO does Spoons, Cocktail Party( last in-person social before lockdown), The Great Southampton Tetris Competition, Easter Craft, Pub Quiz, Movie Night, Jackbox, Cards against Humanity, Bingo Night, Badge sewing, Doctor Who Viewing, Pictionary, Murder Mystery Night, Jacbox, PJ Party at the Zub, Construction Challenge Badge Night, Netflix Party, Virtual Campfire, Zub and Sprinkles, Badge in a Night, Countdown and then Virtual Summer Camp.

We've also continued with our weekly pub meet on zoom (the zub as we are now calling it) each Monday with a number of people attending each time.

## Highlight

As voted by our club in our Southampton SSAGO 2019 - 2020 awards...

Most Iconic Moment of 2020 - Rishi's Wine at Nine and Pub Crawl mascot winning performance at Birmingham Chocolate Rally

Camp of the year - Birmingham Chocolate Rally

Social of the year - Funny hats and Hi-Vis Pub Crawl to celebrate the end of January exams and refreshers

Fail of the year - Forgetting the tent poles at Bath Roman Rally

## Freshers

We've had some information from the Students Union on what is happening during Freshers but this has been limited so far.

We will have freshers events including a welcome meeting, zubs and an introduction to volunteering.

## COVID-friendly activities

The virtual ones

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## Support

Guidance towards how scouting and guiding advice impacts us as individual clubs during the pandemic

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# Strath SSAGO



## Committee

Lucy Tregoning (President)

Rachael Hughes (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Not a lot. Starting the club and attempting to gain members and successfully affiliated with SU.

## Highlight

N/A

## Freshers

Yes. Was planned for in person socially distanced events, but Glasgow has now got a local lockdown in place.

## COVID-friendly activities

Yes. Risk Assessments being finalised to send to exec.

## Support

Any support would be helpful. Since starting we have had absolutely no support from the exec at all. Scottish SSAGO have been the lifeline the exec should have been in the last few months.

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# Swansea University Guides and Scouts



## Committee

Aneurin Haynes (Social Secretary)

Benjamin Gane (Treasurer)

Bob Alden (Secretary)

Callum Hall (Vice-President )

Nicholas Bond (Events Manager)

Melissa Stevens (President)

## Club Activity

We have been doing lots of different activities over discord and zoom. From quizzes and games nights to fancy dress competitions we have done lots of stuff to keep everyone entertained and involved

## Highlight

The highlight of our year was probably Roman Rally. We all had a great time and to top it off we won our rally bid that weekend :)

## Freshers

We have both an online and in person plan for freshers to allow a mixture of events depending on social distancing plans we also have a track and trace and risk assessment in place already to go for this

## COVID-friendly activities

All our activities are ran both online and in person where possible to allow for socially distancing involvement even with out in person activities. We also have track and trace and risk assessments prepared as well as a list of back up activities in the Event of isolation being required at a short notice

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# Support

Keep being awesome thank you for everything!

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# UEA SSAGO (EGGS)



## Committee

Billy Storr (Treasurer)

Jonathan Derland (Social Secretary)

Josh Dixon (Chair)

Laura Flockhart (Publicity)

Sarah Atherton (Vice Chair)

Troy Harvey (Secretary)

Yasmin Manchee (Health and Safety Officer)

## Club Activity

Other than linking into to discord activities we haven't done a lot over lockdown

## Highlight

SSAGO goes to Spoons was definitely the event we enjoyed most as a club

## Freshers

We have a table at the freshers fair, currently waiting on the

## COVID-friendly activities

quizzes, virtual craft events, gameshows, scavenger hunt, netflix party, virtual escape room, Jackbox

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## Support

A list of activity ideas. As a new ssago group, it's hard to come up with them especially ideas that can be run virtually or socially distanced.

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# University of Bristol Guides and Scouts

## Committee

Angus Currie (Secretary)  
Daniel Stanley (President )  
Hannah Grier (Social Secretary)  
Luca Bennett (Treasurer)  
Naomi Burrows (Publicity Officer)

## Club Activity

Weekly pub #pinkunicorn that includes all sorts of activities : pub quizzes, Disney bingo, skribble, jackbox and some online board games . Virtual game show camp

## Highlight

We had some awesome events; the best may have been supporting the kohoutek committee run a huge county event to a huge number of scouts and guides with the theme of wild west.

## Freshers

Yes, 4 events planned - 1 is a campfire and we are a tad unsure of ATM - due to possible restrictions but the other 3 are online and should run easily: games evening, Quiz night and a murder mystery night.

## COVID-friendly activities

Online stuff really, just waiting to see if we can have larger groups. but we have large open spaces which can be used for wide games (socially distanced activities)

## Support

Just a general question of what are we meant to do visa via Risk assessment for activities that will in person?

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# University of Sheffield



## Committee

Gareth Owen (Publicity)  
Jennifer Dobb (Inclusions Officer)  
Jonah Seaston (Treasurer)  
Jordan Walsh (Quartermaster)  
Katie McWilliams (Secretary)  
Mark Walter (President, SSAGO Rep)

## Club Activity

StinGS lock down has consisted of a lot of confused, and improvised events. We hosted a very successful AGM which seemed shorter than normal! We also had some incredible TV game shows created and hosted by one of our member which went down a treat as a replacement to our regular Sunday night quizzes. We also hosted some virtual party games night, for a bit of a laugh and a nice chit chat.

## Highlight

I think its safe to say Chocolate rally was a big highlight for everyone one of our members who went and will always be a favorite rally of mine. SSAGO goes spoons was also a personal highlight, and spending a chill night of giving with HUGS was great, as it happens, last big event before the Rona took hold.

## Freshers

At Sheffield we have digital freshers fairs on the 23rd and 28th of October, for which committee are preparing and getting hyped up for. We want to showcase our ability to continue with Scouty and Guidey activities while still being safe and following guidance

## COVID-friendly activities

Party games night, make at home activities

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# University of South Wales

## SSAGO



## Committee

Anneke Emery (Publicity)  
Bethan Copner (Treasurer)  
Celyn Edwards (Social Secretary)  
Isobelle Robson (Chair)  
Sean Watkins (Secretary)

## Club Activity

Over lockdown, our committee have been having monthly meetings to make sure we can plan a safe yet enjoyable programme for next term, while keeping the committee up to date on Welsh Government and SSAGO guidelines regarding meeting up. We have also hosted a game of Werewolf over Zoom, with plans to do so again.

## Highlight

Our club highlight this year was attending Roman Rally, which was our first Rally as a club. It was a great chance for us to meet other SSAGOers from across the country and beyond, as well as the first time many of us had visited Bath, despite it being fairly close to us.

## Freshers

USW is hosting a virtual Freshers fair on October 1st, and as this report is being written, we are putting together our virtual stall in order to promote ourselves. Any socials held will have to depend on the current status of Welsh Government guidelines, as these may vary from the rest of the country.

## COVID-friendly activities

We are hoping to hold another game of Werewolf, and are fortunate that our position in the Valleys means there are plenty of open spaces in which to hold socially-distanced activities.

## Support

No that we can think of.

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# University of the Highlands and Islands

## Committee

Alannah Fox (Vice Chair)

Jamie Mccarry (Secretary)

Lucy Brayson (Chair)

Susan Aitken (Treasurer)

## Club Activity

Setting up the club!

## Highlight

Existing? (Sorry, we're very new and haven't done much)

## Freshers

Virtual Freshers this year, as we assume is the case with most. SU is featuring societies on their Facebook pages on different dates and we have submitted some info for this.