Squirrels BEAVERS cubs SCOUTS EXPLORERS

1st Carnoustie Scout Group

Annual Report & Financial Statement 2025/26



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Welcome to the 2026 Annual Awards Ceremony & AGM

Friday 5 June in Carnoustie Beach Hall

Good evening and a warm welcome to everyone to our annual awards ceremony celebrating all the successes of the Group over the past year.

Tonight is all about celebrating the successes of our young people over the past year.

As you will see from the volunteer leader reports there has been a huge number of activities going on during the weekly meetings and outside events. A huge well done to all the young people for the vast number of badges, awards and achievement received in the weekly meetings over the course of the year.

We have had an action packed year thanks to our dedicated and talented leadership team across all our sections with a huge variety of activities, camps and events.

We have been well represented at local, national and international events at Arbroath Music Festival, Dundee Scout Gang Show, Sub Zero National Camp, Cally Rally National Camp and the explorer trip to Gibraltar meeting up with Scouts from across Europe. This reflects the range of skills and opportunities available to our young people.

We look forward to more camps planned for all sections over the coming year.

Finally thanks to the parents for all your support, assistance and ensuring that your young person turns up at the right place at the right time each week.

Kenny Lee
Group Lead Volunteer

Young Leader Thank You Awards

Harry Banister, Tianna Cassidy, Abby Gourlay, Eoin Hayes, Lily Hendry, Iestyn Hughes, Isabella Maxfield, Hamish McAree, Eliott Thorne

Music Awards - Arbroath Festival

Katelyn Burns, Eliott Franco, Arthur McAuslan, Archie Mudie, Myles Mudie, Oliver Mudie, Innes Roach, Jake Neave, Logan Patrick, Ralph Campbell, Quinn Forsyth,
Ruairi Kennedy, Kayden Rumgay, Mason Thain, Charlie Winter, Connie Walker,

Denith Bandara, Navith Bandara, Archie Cairnie, Logan Clubb, Evan Forrester, Rory Mackay, Rhys McConnachie, Fergus Shepherd, Ollie Spence, Torran Sutherland,
Ethan Yates

Niamh Hayes, Alexander Stewart, Tianna Cassidy, Lily Hendry, Astrid Kiddie

Scouts Scotland Pipe Band

Finlay Ross

Scouting Ambassador Awards

Dundee Scout Gang Show -
Saskia Birse, Cara Banks, Lewis Roberts, Niamh Hayes, Murray Payne

Beaver Sports Award 2025

1st place overall - Ethan Yates
2nd place overall - Jacob Reveeley
3rd place overall - Johnny Fairlie

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Chief Scout's Acorn Award

Ralph Campbell, Lucas Kinnear, Rhys McConnachie, Logan Patrick, Fergus Sheppard, Mason Thain

Chief Scout's Bronze Award

Denith Bandara, Navith Bandara, Rory Mackay, Leo Read, Ollie Spence, Kavan Dhiman, Oliver Guignard Duff, Reuben Forrester

Chief Scout's Challenge Silver Award

Daniel Gray, Evelyn Money, James Roach, Charlie Walker, Lewis Yates

Chief Scout's Challenge Gold Award

Saskia Birse, Adam Hobbs, Astrid Kiddie

Chief Scout's Challenge Platinum Award

Iestyn Hughes

Zodiac Scout Camping Award – Bronze

Beau Cruickshanks, Lyall Bruce, Daniel Howard, Ewan Law, Nathan Milne, Joe van Niekerk, Lewis Roberts, C-Jai Watson

Zodiac Scout Camping Award – Silver

Murray Payne, Max Perrott, Alexander Stewart

Zodiac Scout Camping Award – Gold

Tianna Cassidy, Astrid Kiddie, Hamish McAree

Congratulations to all of our Award Winners

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Adult Awards

Long Service Awards

5 Years – Adult Volunteer Team Leaders and Members
Matt Perrott, Danie van Niekerk, Lesley van Niekerk, Alison Perrott, Emily Howard

10 Years – Adult Volunteer Team Leaders and Members
Paul McAree, Kim Keillor, Lorna Henry, Pam Millar

20 Years – Adult Volunteer Team Leaders and Members
Lesley Ritchie

Chief Scout Commendation for Good Service

Craig Barber, Ailis Bisgrove, Paul McAree

Bar to the Medal of Merit for Good Service

Keith Prior

Thank You To Our Adult Leaders
Squirrels: Lesley, Nicole, Ailie, Robbie, Susan, Sharon & Lauren
Beavers: Kenny & Pam
Cubs: Pam, Keith, Emily, & Kerry
Scouts: Lorna, Walter, Andrew, Steven, Mairi, George, Craven & Iestyn
Explorers: Craig, Paul, Lindsay, Kim, Sarah

Sub Zero

Abby Gourlay, Alexander Stewart, Arran Forrester, Astrid Kiddie, Beau Russo Cruickshanks, Cara Banks, C-jai Watson, Cooper Smith, Daniel Howard, Eoin Hayes, Eliott Thorne, Finlay Ross, Isabella Maxfield, Joe van Niekerk, Joseph Gourlay, Lewis Roberts, Lewis Yates, Lily Hendry, Max Perrott, Molly Perrott, Murray Payne, Murray Small, Owen Williams, Rudi Guignard-Duff, Samuel Watson

Jock Neish

Brian Callaghan, David Callaghan, Denith Bandara, Eliott Thorne, Ethan Yates, Johnny Fairlie, Logan Clubb, Mason Foreman, Murray Payne, Nathan Gourlay, Navith Bandara, Ollie Spence, Rory Mackay, Ruaridh Scott, Tianna Cassidy, Torran Sutherland

Monopoly Run

Aaron Law, Abby Gourlay, Andrew Mckenzie, Astrid Kiddie, Beau Cruickshanks, C-jai Watson, Daniel Howard, Eliott Thorne, Eoin Hayes, Ewan Law, Isabella Maxfield, Joe van Niekerk, Joseph Gourlay, Lily Hendry, Murray Payne, Niamh Hayes, Rudi Guignard Duff

Barrwood Challenge 2026

Innes Roach, Charlie Walker, Torran Sutherland, Mason Foreman, Reuben Forrester, Keir McIntosh, Jack Robertson, Charlie Walker, Tianna Cassidy, Beau Cruickshanks, Murray Small

Personal Challenge Awards

Monday Squirrel of the Year: Jake Neave
Wednesday Squirrel of the Year: Ruairi Kennedy
Monday Beaver of the Year: Rory Mackay
Tuesday Beaver of the Year: N/A
Tuesday Cub of the Year: Rueben Forrester
Thursday Cub of the Year: Evelyn Money
Thursday Scout of the Year – Tianna Cassidy
Friday Scout of the Year – Daniel Howard
Explorer of the Year – Ewan McAree
Explorer of the Year – Summer Birse



Personal Growth Achievement scout- Adam Hobbs
Most enthusiastic Scout: Korla McGouldrick
Rising Confidence: Kavan Dhiman
Most adventurous: Ollie Spence
Team Player & Resilience Award – Lewis Roberts
Scout Camper of the Year – C-Jai Watson

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Chairperson Report 2025/26

Good evening, and thank you all for attending the Carnoustie scout group AGM and annual awards ceremony.

I would like to start by saying a massive thank you to the Leaders and leadership team,
They not only volunteer their time week in and week at meetings but the time they spend behind the scenes planning and preparing so many opportunities for our young people that we will hear about tonight.
Please put your hands together for the leaders.
Alongside the leaders we have a number of young leaders who not only help at weekly meetings and camps but inspire the younger children.

Lastly I would like to thank all of the parents for your support, in whatever form that takes, be it helping at meetings or fundraising events or simply supporting your young people to attend.

Thank you to Andrew and Walter who dedicated time and effort in revitalising the back of the scout hall with the new fire pit area, it looks great!

Congratulations to all that participated in the Arbroath Music Festival, the reviews from the judges were excellent and you should all be proud of your achievements.

Thank you to all that have taken part in fundraising activities this year, if it's for Camps or for the upkeep of the hall it's really appreciated, also like to thank businesses and charities for their donations and continued support with a number of donations.

There were numerous camps this past year that have been well attended by Carnoustie and represented by all, I hope this continues into this year where we will be represented at camps later this year and into 2027 where we will be in Poland for World Scout Jamboree and also in Florida.

Congratulations to all award winners and Scout badge recipients, from squirrels to Network this evening. It is lovely to be able to show the skills that they have gained this year and inspire others for the coming years.

Craig Mackay
Chairperson, Carnoustie Scout Goup

Carnoustie Scout Group Report 2025/26

2025/26 has been an another extremely busy and active year for Carnoustie Scout Group with all our sections offering high quality and varied activities, skills, challenges, events and of course residential experiences. It is great to see such a diverse range of activities provided by our innovative leadership teams.

It is with great pride that I see the great number of chief scout challenges being presented at our awards ceremony this year as a result of the determination and hard work by both our young people with the support of their volunteer leadership team.

Our numbers this year have decreased to around 120 young people and this is noticeable with vacancies particularly in the Beaver age group.

The Scout Group currently comprises the Squirrel Colonies running over 2 evenings on a Monday and Wednesday, Beavers meeting on a Monday, 2 Cub Packs meeting on a Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 2 Scout Troops on a Thursday and Friday and our Explorer Unit on a Friday.

My highlights from the past year have been the trip to the Gibraltar Jamborette with the Explorer Unit – a unique experience to camp on the rock. I was privileged to be asked to attend the service of Thanksgiving at Westminster Abbey in London to meet the new Chief Scout Dwayne Fields.Cally Rally is always a favourite campy and this year was no exception. Our Squirrels and Beavers did well in the Arbroath Music Festivals.

All sections have been offered a selection of camps over the past year and it is great to see so many of the Zodiac Awards presented this evening. All of this is only possible thanks to our team of dedicated and committed volunteer leaders, section assistants and helpers.

We currently have the following leadership team – Squirrel Team - 10, Beaver Team - 3, Cub Team - 5, Scout Team – 14 and Explorer Team 2 plus a further 84 adults with a PVG from Disclosure Scotland. We continue to have great support from parents willing to help out on occasion. As always, we are continually on the lookout for anyone able and willing to help in whatever way particularly as part of the leadership team. It's great to see so many leaders receiving their long service awards this year.

Thanks also go to our group Chair Craig Mackay who has been responsible for the Trustee Board. A huge thanks to Lorna Hendry for coordinating the Scout Post team. It's not ideal for a volunteer leader to be doing this as well as running a section.We, therefore, need a new coordinator to take over this year.

We continue to have a strong relationship with Monifieth Scout Group and this has continued both in the in our outdoor meetings with mutual use of leader's talents.I am also Group Lead Volunteer for the Monifieth Scout Group at present so this ensure close working between the two groups.

We have a full line programme lined up for the forthcoming summer as well as plans well into 2027.

Scouting in Carnoustie continues to be solid and we look forward to the many activities planned in the future. Speaking to the youth it is clear that they simply look forward to the residential experiences whether in the scout hall or at a camp site. We have a committed, talented and dedicated team of leaders suitably complimented by a hard working trustee board.

My personal thanks go to the Group Leadership team of Craig, Lorna and Mairi for their support and encouragement during the year and their enthusiasm, commitment and drive to make things happen for the benefit of all the young people in the group. We are so lucky to have a diverse range of talents within the Group.

The future growth remains optimistic with a busy programme scheduled by all sections for the year ahead.

Kenny Lee
Group Lead Volunteer



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BARRWOOD with Torran Sutherland

Torran said he loved sleeping in the tent with the other Beavers and younger Cubs. He recommended that you remember to bring your own first aid kit with a tic remover tool because there were lots of tics. The breakfast, lunch and dinner were nice but he would bring extra snacks because you are very busy and get hungry. His favourite activities were archery and kayaking. He liked making new friends from the Cubs and from other Scout groups. He loved learning about the ice boulder. He said “his explorer” that he did the activities with was really nice and fun.









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SUB ZERO - by Murray Payne

CAMP

This camp is for scouts and girl guides over 10 years old. You have the option to stay indoors or in tents, we tent because it's a lot more fun and we're hardcore. As the name suggests it's usually a pretty cold camp so warm clothes, sleeping bag and plenty of layers are a must. This year we got snow so it added to the already excited atmosphere. Everyone was buzzing when we got up to that. On the first night we set up camp then go to the fun fair, winter market or café. There's either burgers or pizza for supper.









ACTIVITIES

Scouts are not allocated activities to do, we have a free choice of what to do and who with. There is a climbing tower with parasending, segways, high ropes, axe throwing, laser clay pigeon shooting, an outdoor heated pool and a Saturday night disco or movie night. Those are just some of the many amazing activities you can do on site with your friends and reconnect with friends from other scout groups and camps and make lots of new ones. There is also the option of going to a nearby dry ski slope for skiing and snow tubing. This was my favourite activity over the weekend.

I would highly recommend this camp to anyone. A solid 4 stars
(would have been 5 but it clashed with the Calcutta cup).















GIBRALTER

OCTOBER 2025

The Explorers had an amazing camp in Gibralter. There was loads to do on the campsite and we enjoyed meeting the Girl Guides and many other international Scouts. Our favourite experiences were meeting the monkeys at the top of the rock, sightseeing in the town and watching the dolphins on our boat trip. We cannot wait for our next Explorer's trip.











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My Arbroath Music Festival Report by Rory Mackay

This year I took part in the Arbroath Music Festival as a Beaver, this was my third year taking part. I was very excited because I now really enjoy performing on stage with my friends.



The Beavers did a few different singing games on stage just like we do every Monday night when we meet. This year I got asked to lead the go bananas song. We practiced for a couple of weeks before at every Beavers meeting so we all knew what we had to do for each singing game. We all found the animal song so funny, everyone had their favourite animal teddy with them and we had to remember who to shout on next. I also spent lots of time at home practicing, I think my whole family know the banana song too!! This was the first time on stage for some of my Beaver friends but I told them not to worry as it wasn't scary just lots of fun and we get sweets at the end and a big trophy if we win! When we got on stage at first I felt a little bit nervous, but when I stood up and started singing, I felt much more confident. Having my friends from Beavers with me made it really special and something that we still talk about. I remembered all the words and tried my best to sing and lead the other Beavers in the singing game.

I enjoyed listening to the Squirrels perform and watching them all do so well even though it's their first time. The balloon song they did was really funny! Everyone worked very hard and it was fun to be part of the festival. The judges then gave us some feedback and they said we all did so well and worked together great as a team. We won! It was amazing and we got a big shield to keep for the year. I've even taken it home to show all of my family who are very very proud of me.

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Taking part in the festival for three years has helped my confidence. In my first year I took part as a squirrel and I was very shy and nervous and found it hard to sing in front of lots of people. Now I feel much happier performing on stage and leading a song. This has helped me at school too with other performances like the Scottish burns poem competition. I am proud of how much I have improved and love to show off my skills and tell everyone about what we learn every week at Beavers.

I am very proud that I led the Go Banana Song and took part in the Arbroath Music Festival again this year. It was so much fun and a great morning with my Beaver friends. I am already looking forward to hearing all about how my little brother gets on next year at his first festival. Sadly this is my last year at the festival as a beaver as I will be a cub next time.

I hope the Beavers have lots of fun and win again next year!!



Squirrels Report 25/26

We have had another busy and successful year at Squirrels, and it has been wonderful to see our young members learning new skills, growing in confidence, and making new friends along the way.

Across both of our Dreys, we deliver the same programme to ensure that all Squirrels have equal opportunities to work towards and achieve their badges. Our leadership team plans activities on a termly basis, taking into account the interests and ideas shared by the Squirrels themselves. Throughout the year, we have enjoyed a wide range of exciting activities and adventures, including:



We were fortunate to have Professor Ailsa from Mini Professors for a very exciting evening of experiments. From learning about acid and bases, witnessing a chemical reaction that made elephants toothpaste and finishing the evening with some indoor fireworks. This was definitely one of our most talked about sessions this year!





Halloween this past year saw Monday night squirrels dress up for an evening of fun activities down at the Kinloch Care Centre. While Wednesday night joined the Beavers for spooky fun. Some of our Squirrels took part in the JOTT walk. This year it was a hike from Panmurefield to the Boyack Centre in Monifieth, finishing with a barbecue (with the rain kindly holding off until the very end!)

Thanks to a generous donation from the gala committee we have invested in three indoor tents, providing new opportunities for the squirrels to learn new skills and take part in indoor camping experiences.





Another one of the highlights of the year was participating in the Arbroath Festival Singing Competition, where we were delighted to bring home the trophy again this year. For many of our Squirrels, this was their first experience performing on stage, and we were incredibly proud of their confidence and enthusiasm.

We have also been fortunate to work with the Food Is Free Garden in Carnoustie. The Squirrels learned about the hard work carried out there by the volunteers and enjoyed getting hands-on by planting potatoes, lettuce, peas, and sunflower seeds, which they were able to take home. They helped water the garden, took part in an Easter egg hun and are looking forward to returning to harvest some of the vegetables they helped grow.

Some other activities included making smoothies and pizza wraps, participating in the town Remembrance Parade(in the rain!), Santa walk, drive in movie night, putting, a trip to the Carnoustie library and taking part in a variety of craft activities while working towards their badges. We are currently learning the basics of emergency aid.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Lily for her commitment and support at our Monday Squirrels sessions. We are also delighted to welcome Tianna to our Monday drey as a Young Leader. The Wednesday Drey is looking forward to welcoming a Young Leader in the coming weeks.

At present, we have 20 Squirrels and 2 Young Leaders across our two Dreys.

Finally, we would like to wish all those Squirrels who have moved up to Beavers every success in their next adventure. We are confident they will continue to thrive and enjoy all the opportunities that Scouting has to offer.

We look forward to another year filled with fun, friendship, learning, and adventure.

Your Squirrel leadership team

Lesley, Nicole, Ailie, Robbie, Susan, Sharon & Lauren

BEAVERS Report 2025/26

Like the rest of the scout group the beaver colony have taken part in lots of outdoor activities as well as meetings in the hall. We have managed to complete a wide variety of challenges and learned lots of new skills.

Our numbers decreased again this year meaning we have temporarily suspended the Tuesday colony and gone to one on a Monday. We currently have 23 Beavers attending regularly.

Our key activities this year have been working on activity badges. We have worked on our Space, Swimming and experiment badges recently, as well as the individual challenges to allow many of the beavers to achieve their bronze chief scout award.



In September the beavers were given the opportunity to attend a two night camp at Jock Neish with the Cubs, this was a really enjoyable experience for the Beavers as they got to do lots of different activities as this was a time travel themed camp.

At Christmas we attended the Panto the Charnoustie High School and we enjoyed watching cartoons at the Dibble tree theatre.

In March we returned to the Arbroath Festival and successfully defended our trophy for the under 12 singing games, having lots of fun on stage and increasing the confidence of everyone.







The Beavers had the opportunity to visit the Arbroath RNLI station and were given a guided tour of the station house learning all about their boats, Float to Live, staying safe at the seaside and what they do and how they keep the sea safe.

We recently took part in the big Barrwood Camp in May, where we did lots of scout activities towards badges from on the water, pioneering, backwoods cooking, caving, den building, circus skills, mop hockey and archery. There was also a Big campfire and scouts own with other scout groups.







Congratulations to all our Beavers who took part in our traditional sports day.

Well done to our finalists:

1st place overall - Ethan Yates
2nd place overall- Jacob Reveeley
3rd place overall - Johnny Fairlie

Thanks to our judges - Pam, Nadine and Murray and to our BBQ team of Andrew, Kerry and Val.



In Carnoustie we have benefitted from having a committed leadership team, we have been able to continue to offer Beavers a continued programme of amazing events.



This has also included our young leaders who are an integral part of the team with their talent, enthusiasm and as fantastic role models - Eoin Hayes, Eliott Thorne, Hamish McAree, Harry Banister and Tianna Cassidy.

Thanks to all the parents who have assisted over the year. A special thanks to Susan Cassidy for leading with Beavers over the past year as she moves to Squirrels after the summer.

Kenny Lee and Pam Roach Beaver Scout Leadership Team.

Carnoustie Scout Group Tuesday cubs Annual Review 2025/2026

At Tuesday cubs we currently have 18 cubs, 3 leaders and 2 young leaders that attend regularly. We have invested 7 cubs into our pack.



Over the past year the cubs have worked on numerous activity badges such as their space badge, which we made a trip to the Dundee Observatory.
We also looked at war-time scout badges, rations and food resulting in us trying carrot cookies and rabbit stew.

The cubs have been very involved in all aspects of the meetings including introducing each other to different religions.



We had a special guest Billy Wales from Brothock Karate Club who came and give the cubs a taster session in Karate.



We are currently working on our challenge badges and towards the silver chief scout award.



Chief Scout's Silver Award - the highest award a Cub can earn. To complete it, Cubs need to earn six Activity or Staged Activity Badges, as well as all seven of the Challenge Awards.

The Chief Scout's Silver Award shows the Cub has given new things a go, played their part, and stuck it out, even when the going got tough. It's a really big achievement!







Some of the cubs have attended different camps that have been on offer and thoroughly enjoyed telling the other cubs about the activities they did on camp.

We are looking forward to doing more camping with them, encouraging them to build their self confidence and independence.







‘C’ Pack Cubs Annual Report 2025/26

Thursday Cubs have remained at consistently good numbers throughout the year. We have completed many activity badges and everyone completed their Personal Challenge badge with some amazing achievements.

We helped keep our community clean by doing a litter pick at Pitskelly where we collected 25 bin bags of rubbish! All cubs took part in a first aid evening learning cpr and how to treat injuries. We took our annual night hike to Monifieth spotting constellations along the way and then we were rewarded with a bag of chips at the end.

In September we were extremely lucky to get selected to attend the Cubs Howling Camp at Fordell Firs in Dunfermline along with almost 500 Cubs from all over Scotland. We are sure all the cubs who attended will agree what a fantastic camp this was. Lots of activities on offer over the weekend including a fun fair, disco and of course huge campfire.
Due to popular demand we held our third annual Christmas Sleepover where everyone had great fun eating Christmas treats, making Christmas crafts, playing Christmas themed games and watching a movie! The money raised and food collected from this sleepover was donated to the Royal Legion Food Bank.

The Cubs enjoy trying new activities and this year was no exception with grass sledging, Pickleball & Tomahawk throwing. We grew beans, cooked pancakes on Trangia camping stoves, sewed cushions, made ice cream, made torches, made greenhouses and went on an Easter Egg Hunt around Carnoustie!

Next up we can’t wait for our Harry Potter camp!





1st Carnoustie, 6th Angus Scouts, AGM
Thursday and Friday Troops, Scout Report
(April 2025 – June 2026)

April – July 2025

Program focused on athletics, outdoor skills and taking part in fundraising activities. Activities included a sports night, fire lighting, and beach-based meetings. Scouts made woggles to sell and produced a video for Portsmouth Scouts.



Key Events: Barrwood Camp (May 2025), JOTT weekend (June 2025), end-of-term Monikie BBQ.

Badgework: athletics, fundraising, personal challenge

Games/Activities: Athletics challenges, beach-based team activities, sports night with both Scout troops.



August – October 2025

Program centered on practical outdoor skills and community engagement. Scouts completed map reading, country code and learning all about money skills including budgeting and crypto currency. Community work included creating bookmarks for a local library.

Key Events: Cally Rally (October 2025), Outdoor Challenge Camp.

Badgework: Money Skills badge and Outdoor Challenge badge.

Games/Activities: Team games, map reading challenges, camp preparation exercises.





October – December 2025

Program included citizenship and seasonal activities. Scouts took part in making a paracord poppy for Remembrance and collecting pebbles to make into a Christmas decoration. Program also reviewed potential new activities with ideas led by the scouts.

Key Events: Remembrance Parade, Christmas light switch-on, pantomime trip. Christmas sleepover and gaming tournament.

Badgework: Continued Money Skills and creative craft-based badgework.

Games/Activities: Team games, seasonal craft-based group activities.





January – April 2026

Program focused heavily on structured badgework and skills progression. Weekly timed activities were introduced to track improvement. Activities included problem-solving, health education, and space themed badge work such as learning about gravity and calculating the speed of light.

Badgework: Skills Challenge, Expedition Challenge, and Space Badge (multiple parts completed).

Key Developments: Expedition planning began, space badge sections delivered including a visit to the observatory, and external visitors to provide key elements of badgework.

Games/Activities: Weekly timed challenges, problem solving games, logic puzzles, sudoku activities. Trip to London for the monopoly run.







April – June 2026

Program emphasized media and communication skills alongside end-of-year activities. Scouts are undertaking a radio-based media badge work including interviews and advert creation.

Key Events: Barrwood Camp (May 2026), AGM (June 2026), and end-of-term activity planned.

Badgework: Media badge, teamwork, and communication skills.

Games/Activities: Games night (hall or outdoor), team-based media activities and making an advert for a local radio station, end-of-term night out.

We are excited to look ahead to the coming year, which promises to be filled with even more badge work, engaging activities, and plenty of fun for everyone involved. There are many new opportunities on the horizon, and we cannot wait to continue building skills, friendships, and unforgettable experiences together. Here's to keeping the spirit of Scouting alive as the journey continues!

On behalf of all the leaders, we would like to extend our sincere thanks to Craven McMillian and Iestyn Hughes for their invaluable help, encouragement, and ongoing support. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and play an important part in everything we achieve

Friday Team:
Steven Scott, Mairi McMillian, George Martin, Craven McMillan and Iestyn Hughes

Thursday Team:
Lorna Hendry, Walter Hayes and Andrew Payne

Carnoustie Scout Group EXPLORERS Report 2025/26

The Carnoustie Explorer Unit have had a very busy year full of adventurous activities, camps, challenges, learning and improving skills. Our membership is now sitting at 20 explorers, all of whom are fully engaged and enthusiastic members of the group .



Our programme over the last year has included a variety of activities and challenges that the Explorers chose at the beginning of the year. They decided as a group to task themselves with more badge work (Space, community, chef, First Aid, Motor sports, Music) and community involvement as well as regular team building activities. All of this alongside some fun and interesting activities to engage imaginations and expand knowledge.



We continued to take part in our regular camps: Barrwood Summer Camp, Cally Rally in Inverness, and Sub Zero National Camp at Auchengillan, all of which are hugely popular with the Explorers. We also took part in JOTT with a hike from Trottick Mill Ponds Nature Reserve, Dundee to Monifieth. Explorers also took part in an exciting trip to London to join the Monopoly run this year



The highlight of the year for Explorers was our trip to Gibraltar for GibJam where they all had the chance to mix with other Scout groups from around Europe. We took part in activities from hiking and shooting to dancing and dolphin watching and can't wait to go back!





Explorers have worked hard to positively impact the community this year and have succeeded by: Supporting at the Gala day and setting up the marquee's; Serving veterans their lunch at the British Legion on Remembrance Sunday; Collecting for the British Legion food bank at Christmas; Refurbishing and repainting the Scout post boxes;
and showcasing their musical talents during a free event performing in front of friends and family and a local Minister.

Many of our explorers are also young leaders supporting all other sections at the Group. Two Explorers (Lily and Abby) have been selected to attend the WSJ in Poland next year and have been busy preparing for this and organising fundraising activities.

The entire Explorer group is hugely grateful for the weekly support from all of the parent helpers which ensured that no sessions were cancelled or missed. We have also been able to take the Explorers on adventures including Go Karting, Silent Cinema at Dundee's Caird Hall, Avatar at Odeon Cinema, and star gazing at the Dundee Observatory.

We gratefully welcomed Sarah Macleod to the Explorer Leadership team this year and look forward to seeing more of her in the year ahead.

Kim Thorne
Explorer Scout Leadership Team











1st Carnoustie Scout Group (Charity no.SC031744)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year	01-Apr-25	To	31-Mar-26

Receipts and payments

		2025/26 Unrestricted funds £
Receipts		
Donations, legacies and similar income		
Membership subscriptions		24,127
Capitation		5,594
Badges		908
Uniforms		506
Sub total		31,135
Grants		
Other grants		-
Sub total		-
Fundraising events (gross)		
Fundraising		37,275
Activities		360
Camps		12,355
Sub total		49,990
Scout hut income		
Hire of building		1,171
Sub total		1,171
Investment income		
Bank interest		23
Sub total		23
Total Gross Income		82,319
Total receipts		82,319

1st Carnoustie Scout Group (Charity no. SCO31744)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year	01-Apr-25	To	31-Mar-26

Receipts and payments

	2025/26 Unrestricted funds £
Payments	
Charitable Payments	
AGM	£327.25
Hall running costs	£2,699.02
Camping equipment	£863.88
Crafts	£585.15
Gala Day	£67.32
Gang Show	£1,215.00
JOTT	£90.95
Neckies	£423.60
General Activities	£6,385.60
Stationery	£190.38
Training	£1,193.01
Utilities	£1,433.27
Website	£210.00
WSJ	£1,083.00
Badges for resale	£3,774.73
Capitation fees	£12,062.00
Insurance	£660.06
Bank Charges	£80.90
Camps	£31,109.49
OSM	£58.56
Uniforms	£1,459.85
Sub total	65,973
Fundraising expenses	
Fundraising costs	£6,822.77
Sub total	6,823

Total Gross Expenditure		72,796
Total payments		72,796
Net of receipts/(payments)		9,523
Cash funds last yearend		17,282
Cash funds this year end		26,805

1st Carnoustie Scout Group (Charity no. SCO31744)

Receipts and payments account

	Year start date		Year end date
For the year	01-Apr-25	To	31-Mar-26

Statement of assets and liabilities at theendofthe year

	31st March 2025 Unrestricted funds £	31st March 2026 Unrestricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank current account	17,282	26,805
Cash/Floats	-	-
Total cash funds	17,282	26,805
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Total net assets	17,282	26,805

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on 27th May 2026 (the date of the Trustee Board meeting that approved the accounts) and signed on their behalf by

Signature	Print Name
Craig Mackay	Chair - Craig Mackay
Heidi Hobbs	Treasurer - Heidi Hobbs

Office Bearers

Position	Name	Proposer	Seconder
Trustee Board Chair	Craig Mackay	Trustee Board	
Trustee Board Treasurer	Heidi Hobbs	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Trustee Board Member	Nadine Scrimger	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Trustee Board Member	Iain Scott	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Fundraising Team Leads	Mairi McMillan Lorna Hendry Kim Thorne	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Christmas Post Team	**VACANT**	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Gala Float team	Nicole Mackay Pam Millar	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Hall Bookings Team Lead	Robbie McAuslan	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Chaplain	Annette Gordon	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Nominated Member	Ailsa Bickerton	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee

Unit Representatives

Monday Squirrels	Lesley Ritchie	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Wednesday Squirrels	Sharon Larg	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Monday Beavers	Pam Roach	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Tuesday Cubs	Kerry Payne	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Thursday Cubs	Keith Prior	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Thursday Scouts	Lorna Hendry	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Friday Scouts	Mairi McMillan	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee
Explorers	Craig Barber	Craig Mackay	Kenny Lee



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