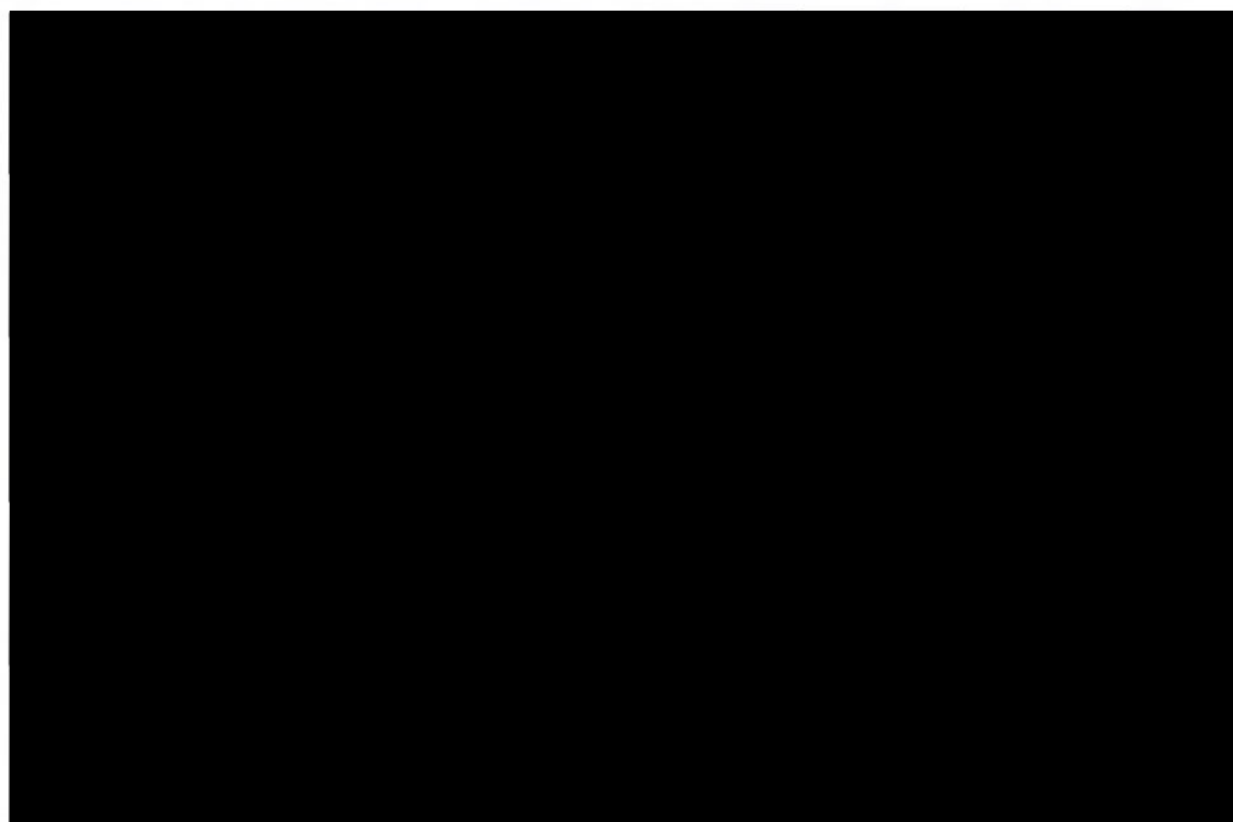


Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31st March 2024



The Group

The 5th Fife Scout Group Executive Committee have pleasure in presenting their Annual Report together with the Financial Statement and the Independent Examiners Report for the year ended 31st March 2024

Name and Address

The Group's Name is the 5th Fife Scout Group and it may be contacted [REDACTED]

Constitution and Purpose

The Scout Group is constituted in terms of the Rules of the Scout Association which is a charitable body incorporated by Royal Charter. The 5th Fife Scout Group is a registered Scottish Charity - Number SC03551

Objectives, Activities and Achievements

The purpose of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. These aims are delivered in line with the Values of Scouting which are as follows:

Integrity – we act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal

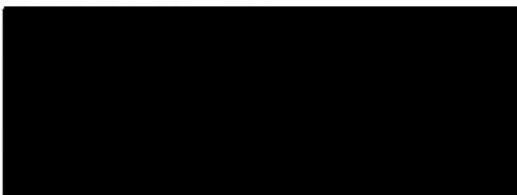
Respect – we have self-respect and respect for others

Care – we support others and take care of the world in which we live

Belief – we explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes

Cooperation – we make positive difference; we cooperate with others and make friends.

Trustees



Trustees are recruited and appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules ("POR") of the Scout Association.

Leader and Parent Involvement

The Scout Group’s success stems from the enthusiasm and commitment of our members and their leaders. In the year 2023/24 our thanks go to the following leaders:

Beavers	Cubs	Scouts	Explorers

At camps, particularly Summer Camp, we benefit from the continued support of some former members and parents, both on site at camp, and driving minibuses as required. This year we need to thank:

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Community Involvement

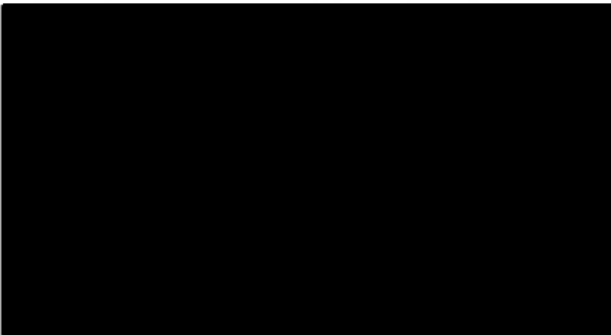
Our Hall is our greatest asset and we make it available for use by other local community groups. In this way the Group’s facilities support regular Judo, Taekwondo and Dance sessions with ad hoc use by Dysart Colliery Silver Band, and singing groups.

On an annual basis we support the Kirkcaldy Running Festival and in 2023 also collected for the Kirkcaldy Foodbank.

Membership

The Group’s Membership increased by 10% during the year, fully returning to pre-covid levels. At the 2024 Census our numbers stood at 11 Beavers, 13 Cubs, 22 Scouts and 10 Explorers. Four of our Explorers are supporting Thursday night programs as Young Leaders, having completed their training in September 2023.

Approved by the Group Executive on _____ and signed on its behalf by:



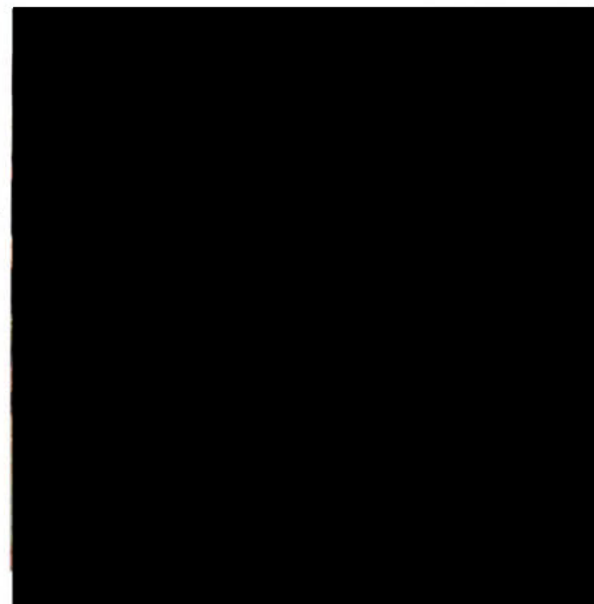
Activities and Achievements

During the year the Group has continued to deliver the Scout program for the benefit of young people in Kirkcaldy.

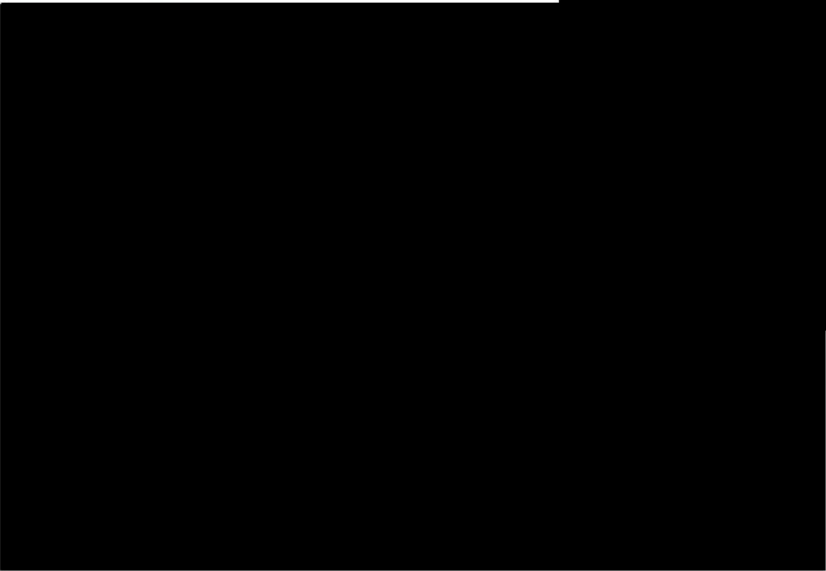
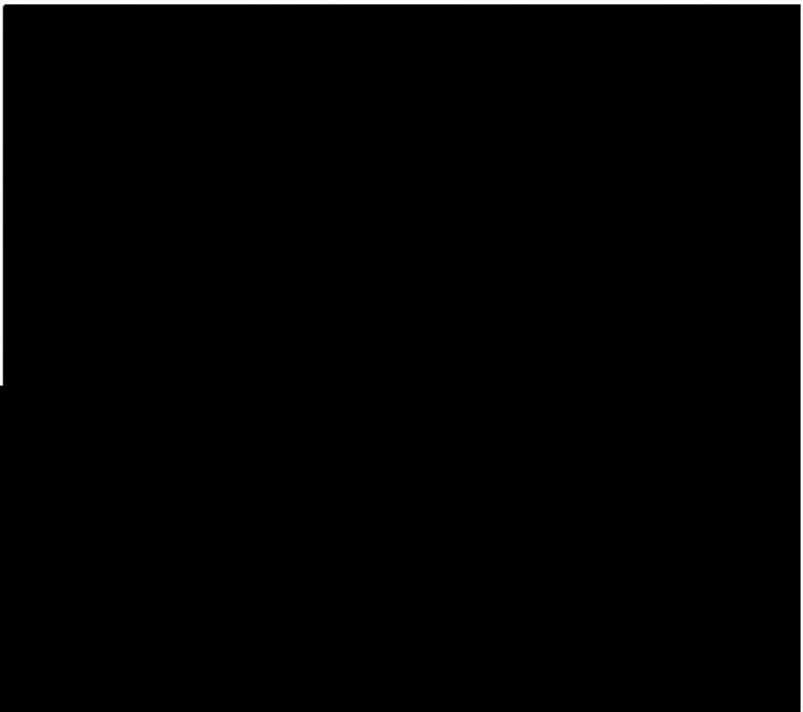
In April, and May we camped at Wemyss and Ettrick



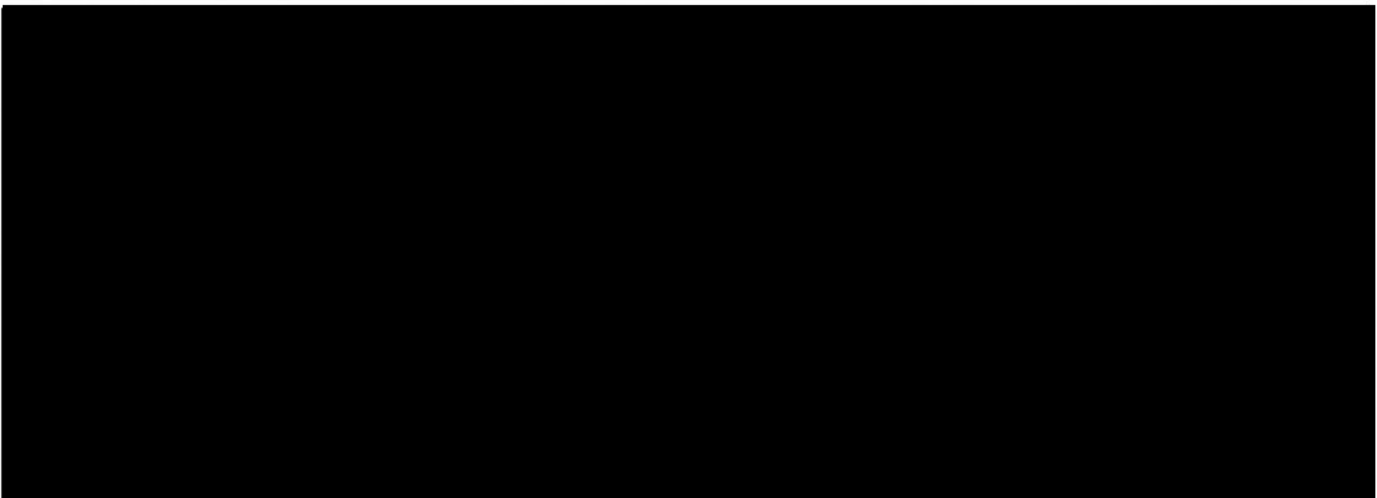
...and we held a very successful Family Camp at Nineacres in June. ~36 Parents and Children enjoyed warm sunny weather on Saturday and learned some archery on Sunday whilst waiting for the rain to go off and the tents to dry.



June saw each section spending an evening at Kinghorn Loch gaining time on the water, and the Explorers spent a glorious Saturday afternoon, Kayaking, Paddleboarding, finishing it off with a BBQ.



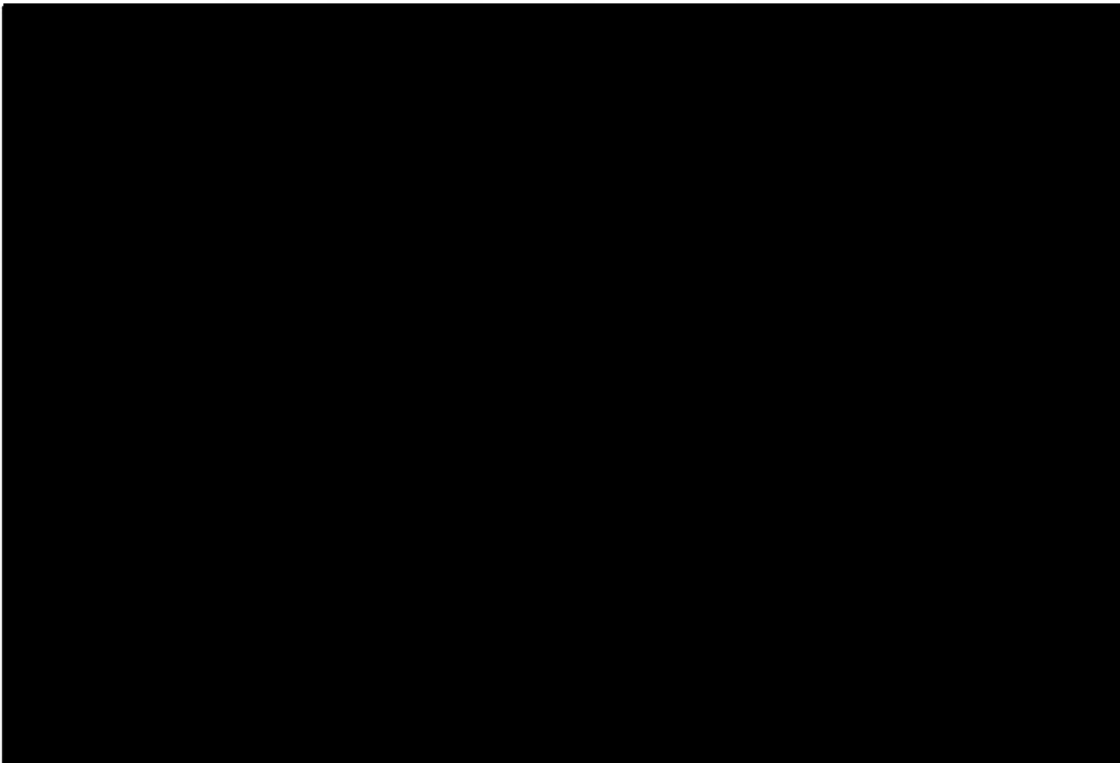
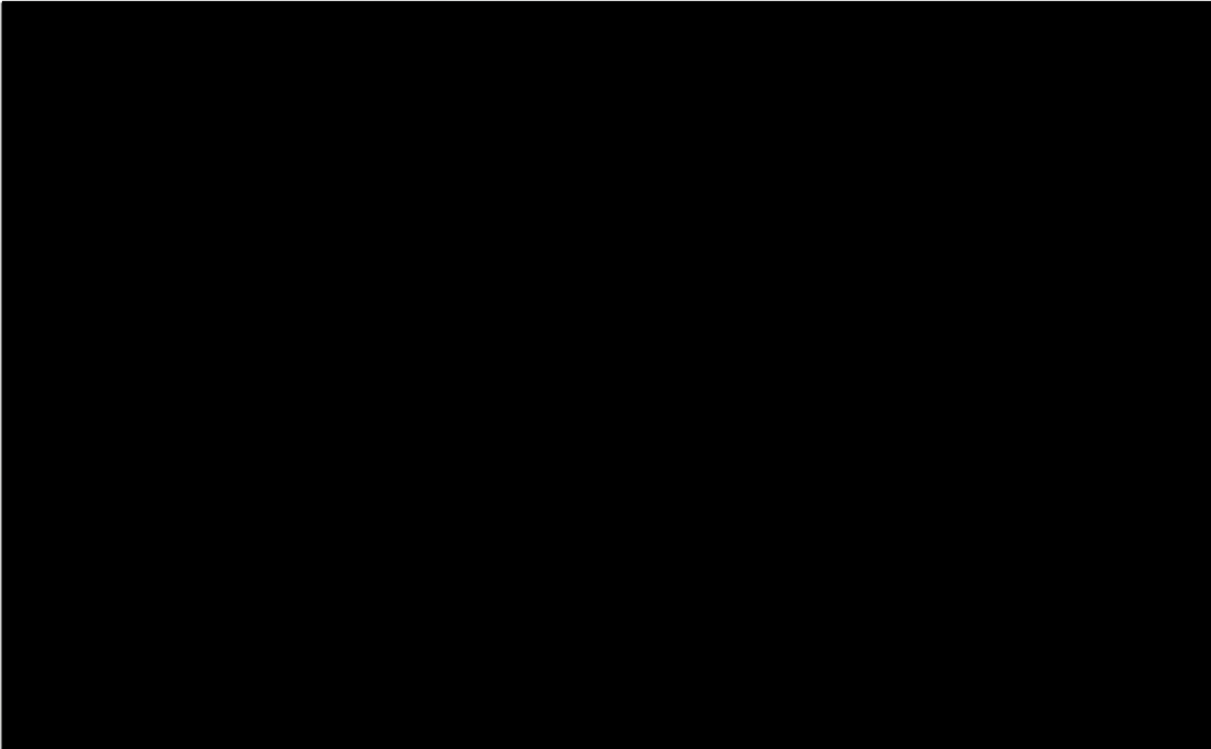
Next, a packed 49 seater coach took the whole group on our annual pilgrimage to Landmark Forest Adventure Park, always popular and very reasonably priced for educational groups.



Just before the break for the Summer Holidays we gathered for our Summer BBQ evening when badges earned through the year were awarded.

In July we had more than 80 members (Cubs, Scouts Explorers and Adults) spend 7 nights under canvas at our Summer Camp in Ettrick Valley.

After the summer holidays we participated in the District Training Camp and two weeks later all this year's practice paid off when our patrol took home the District Jubilee Camping Trophy!

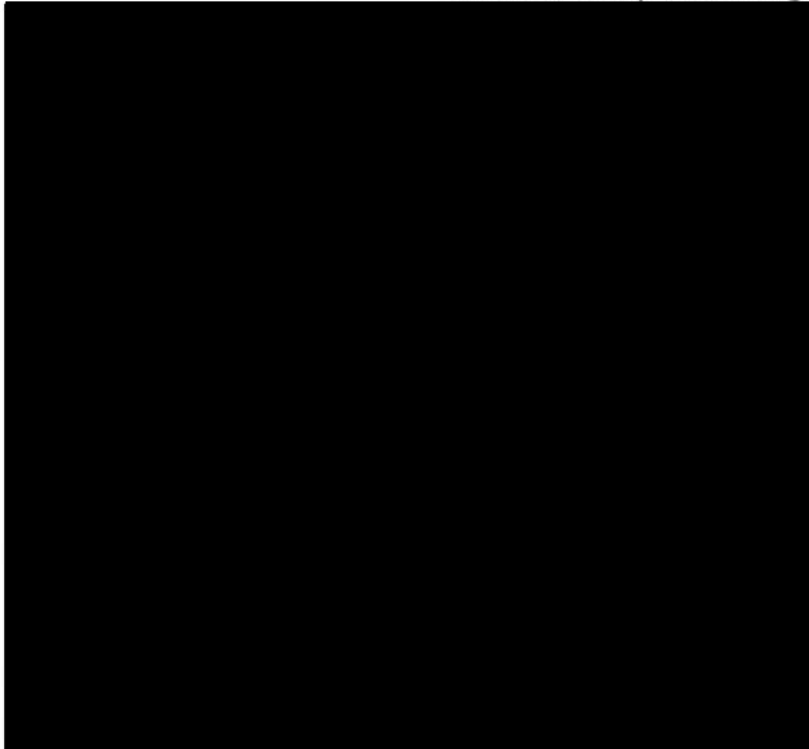


After the summer holidays, in August we supported the Kirkcaldy running festival standing out water to thirsty half marathon runners.

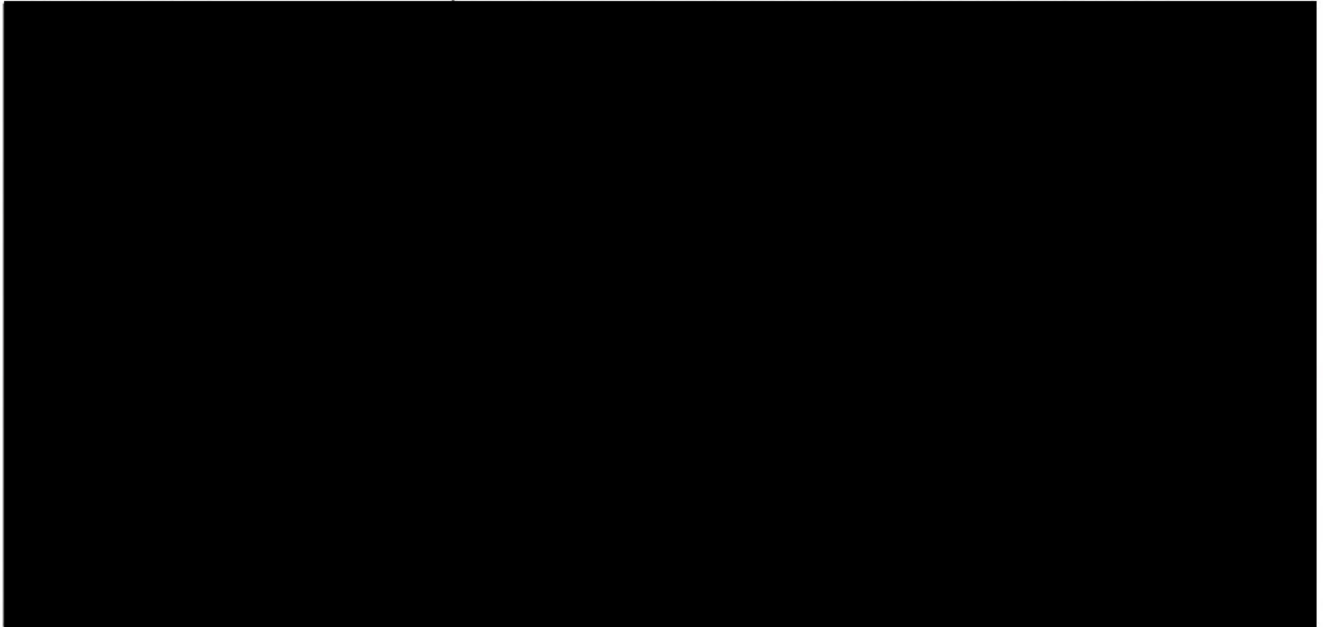
In September our Beavers had a very popular visit from some Lamas, and a couple of weeks later a trip by train, to the National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh.



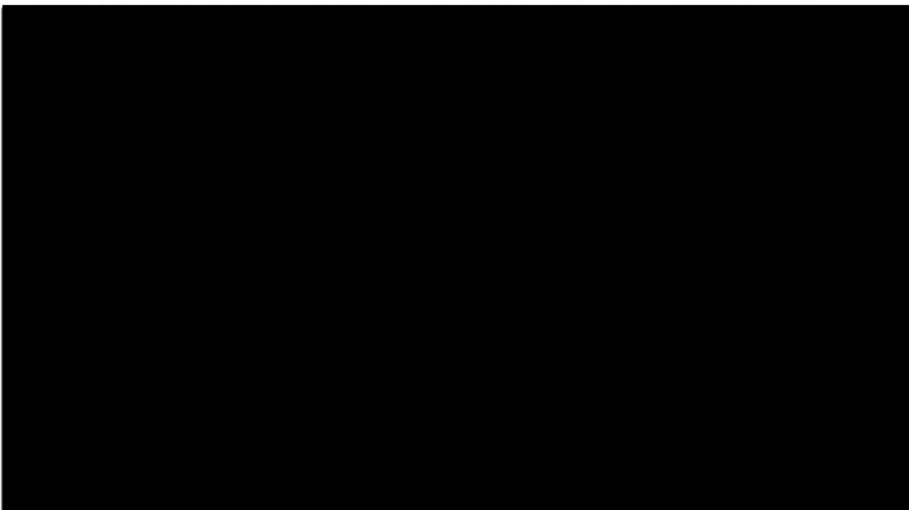
District Camp was a big hit for our Cubs



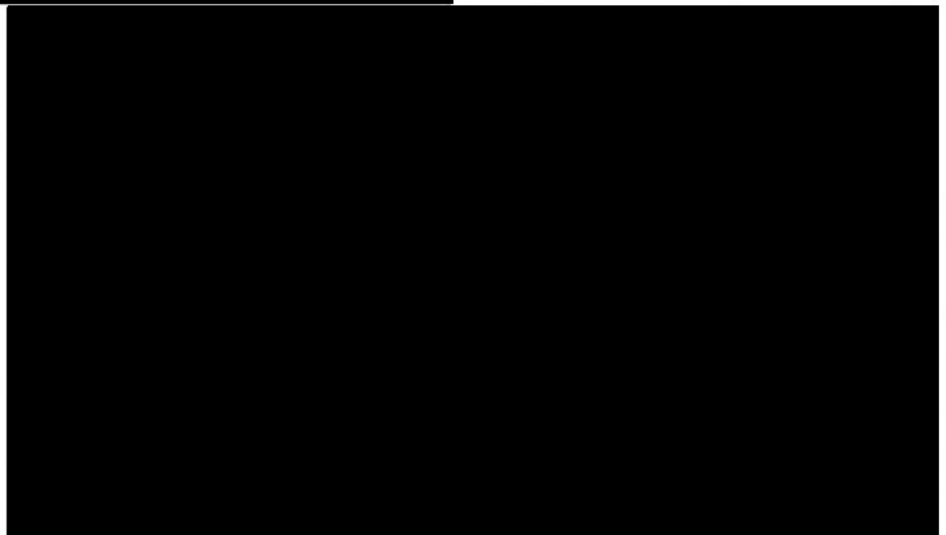
and we finished the calendar year off with a well-attended Christmas Concert.



The Scouts Celebrated Burns Night 2024 in style



And another successful Year
ended with a fundraising
Beetle Drive, enjoyed by all.



Treasurer's Report

Reserves Policy

The trustees believe that around 4 months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves to cover the timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected expenditure on repairs and maintenance of the Scout Hall and the Scout Equipment.

In addition a concerted effort has been made to fund-raise with the long term objective of replacing the roof of the Hall. Some of the funds have been gifted solely for that purpose, and additionally the trustees have allocated past savings, so that the total Restricted Funds allocated to Roof Replacement is £79,000.00

This Policy and the sum reserved will be reviewed on an annual basis.



Independent Examiners Report to the Trustees

I report on the financial statements of the 5th Fife Scout Group (“the Group”) for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out in pages herein.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The Group’s Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (“the Act”) and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (“the Regulations”). The Group’s Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1)(d) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1)(c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner’s Statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with the Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner’s Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter as come to my attention:

- (1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirements
 - a. To keep accounting records in accordance with the Regulations, and
 - b. To prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and comply with the Regulations, have not been met.

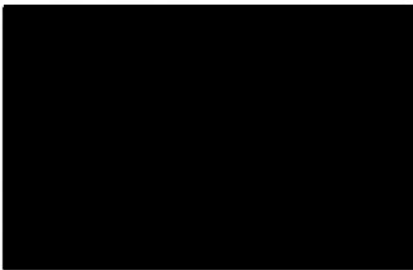
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- (2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Qualifications

Address



Date

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Accounts

Receipts and Payment Account For the year ended 31st March 2024

	2024 £	2023 £	2022 £
Receipts			
Voluntary Income			
Subscriptions (3)	5,620.00	4046.14	2639.53
Donations	0.00	755.00	473.17
	6,105.87	4,801.14	3,112.70
Fundraising and Grant Income			
Grant Awards and Gift Aid	8,516.43	5,500.00	9,000.00
Fundraising Events (4)	1318.89	1,926.84	520.69
	9,349.45	7,426.84	9,520.69
Other Group Income			
Equipment Grants	0.00	740.00	1,402.11
Scout Programme Events	5,511.50	1,905.00	0.00
Hall Hire Income	6,726.75	6,389.25	4,208.00
Badges and Uniform	65.68	97.90	17.00
Other Income	1,472.56	0.00	0.00
	13,776.49	9,132.15	5,627.11
Investment Income			
Interest	0.00	0.00	0.00
Dividends	0.00	0.00	0.00
	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Receipts	29,231.81	21,360.13	18,260.50
Payments			
Badges and Uniform	590.60	789.33	248.29
Equipment Purchase and Maintenance	2,347.99	992.97	380.79
Leader Training and Development	386.97	345.00	0.00
Group Management and Administration	4,482.89	0.00	0.00
Premises Costs	5,341.82	4,053.20	3,909.06
Programme and Events	11,185.04	3,690.53	2,799.23
Other Miscellaneous Costs	249.56	391.06	48.00
	24,584.87	10,262.09	7,385.37
Total Payments	24,584.87	10,262.09	7,385.37
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	4,646.94	11,098.04	10,875.13

Statement of Assets and Liabilities, and Notes to the Accounts
For the year ended 31st March 2024

Cash and Bank Balances

	£
Balance as at 31 st March 2023	80,435.40
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	4,646.94
Balance as at 31 st March 2024	88,462.26

Restricted Funds at 31 st March 2024	£79,000.00
Unrestricted Funds as at 31 st March 2024	£9,462.26

Restricted funds are being held for the purposes of the renewal of the Scout hall roof, expected to cost around £85,000.00 based on current quotes.

Other Assets

The Group owns the Scout Hall and land at [REDACTED] along with a quantity of equipment.

Liabilities

The Group has no other liabilities or obligations.

Notes to the Accounts

(1) Funds

- a. The Group maintains an undesignated general fund for all its day to day financial transactions, the Trustees agree that this should not be less than four months' average expenditure to ensure there is sufficient available cash to pay for expenses as they arise.

The restricted fund, currently totalling £79,000.00 is being reserved for the replacement of the Scout hall roof, expected to cost around £85,000.00 and is expected to be completed in the next financial year. The Trustees allocate additional funds to this account at year end. In this year, the Trustees have allocated a further £10,500.00 to this fund, bringing the total restricted fund to £79,000.00.

(2) Trustees Remuneration and Expenses

- a. The Trustees did not receive any remuneration during the year.

(3) Subscription Income

- a. Beavers - £1,230.00
- b. Cubs - £1,675.00
- c. Scouts - £1,693.00
- d. Explorers - £1,022.00
- e. Amount Paid to Scout Headquarters - £2,376.00

(4) Fundraising Events

- a. Sponsored Walk - £833.02
- b. Beetle Drive - £147.00
- c. Christmas Raffle - £138.00

(5) Premises Costs

- a. Utilities - £3,313.74
- b. Cleaning - £196.14
- c. Repairs and Maintenance - £1,831.94

The above notes form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the Board of Trustees on the 3rd of September 2024 and signed.

