



2nd Airdrie Scout Group (SC054268)

Trustees' Annual Report 2025

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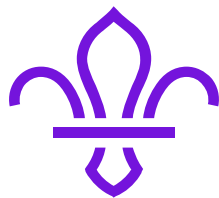
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2025 Growing, Exploring and Learning Together

Across all sections, 2025 was a year of growth, achievement and opportunity. Young people were encouraged to explore new skills, build confidence, support their communities and develop lasting friendships. None of this would have been possible without the dedication of our volunteers, the support of parents and carers, and the enthusiasm of the young people themselves, who continue to make Scouting such a positive and rewarding experience for everyone involved



Squirrels

NEW SECTION LAUNCHED AT 2ND AIRDRIE SCOUT GROUP!



Learning Through Adventure

Our Squirrels have enjoyed a fun-packed programme designed around play, imagination and discovery. Activities throughout the year have included storytelling, games, creative projects and outdoor exploration, helping members build confidence, develop friendships and learn important life skills.

Storytelling sessions have proved particularly popular, encouraging young people to share ideas, develop communication skills and grow in confidence while having fun.

Growing Confidence Outdoors

A key part of the programme has been introducing Squirrels to outdoor adventures in a safe and supportive environment. Through nature activities and exploration, children have learned about teamwork, following instructions and staying safe while enjoying new experiences.

"The future of Scouting at 2nd Airdrie has never looked brighter."

Squirrel Scouts Off to a Flying Start

September 2025 marked an exciting milestone for 2nd Airdrie Scout Group with the launch of our brand-new Squirrel Scout Drey. Since opening, the section has quickly become a valued part of the Group, welcoming 13 young people aged 4–6 to begin their Scouting adventure.

Preparing for the Next Step

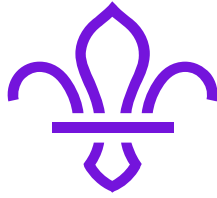
Working closely with our Beaver Scout Colony, we have introduced a structured transition programme for older Squirrels. This helps young people become familiar with Beaver Scouts, meet new leaders and build confidence before moving to the next section of their Scouting journey.



Thank You

The successful launch of the Squirrel Scout Drey would not have been possible without the dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteer leadership team. The Trustees would like to thank all volunteers, parents and supporters for helping establish such a positive and welcoming environment for our newest members.

The energy, excitement and engagement shown by our Squirrels and their families has been fantastic to see, and we look forward to watching the Drey continue to grow and thrive in the years ahead.



Beaver Scouts – A Year of Learning, Friendship and Adventure

Creativity and Imagination

Throughout the year, Beavers have taken part in a variety of arts and crafts activities, including painting, hand-printing and exploring different colours and materials. These activities encouraged creativity, self-expression and teamwork while helping young people develop confidence and pride in their achievements.

Teamwork and Friendship

Working together has been a key theme across the programme. Through games, challenges and group activities, Beavers learned how to communicate, share ideas, listen to others and support one another. These experiences helped build friendships and encouraged a strong sense of belonging within the Colony.



Active and Engaged

Physical activity remained an important part of weekly meetings, with Beavers taking part in active games, obstacle activities and movement-based challenges. These opportunities helped improve coordination, balance and confidence while encouraging healthy and active lifestyles

Exploring the Outdoors

Outdoor learning continued to be a highlight of the programme. Time spent exploring nature and participating in outdoor activities helped foster curiosity, environmental awareness and a love of adventure while supporting the physical and emotional wellbeing of our young people.

BEAVERS

A Year Fun Packed

The Beaver Scout Colony has enjoyed another fantastic year packed with fun, creativity and adventure. Through a varied programme of activities, our Beavers have continued to learn new skills, build friendships and grow in confidence while enjoying everything that Scouting has to offer.

Learning New Skills

Beavers were encouraged to think creatively, solve problems and persevere when faced with challenges. Activities involving construction, matching games and group problem-solving helped develop resilience, independence and critical thinking skills in a supportive environment.



Looking Back

Most importantly, Beaver Scouts has continued to provide a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment where young people can have fun, make friends and gain confidence. The enthusiasm and energy shown by our Beavers throughout the year has been fantastic, and we are proud of everything they have achieved as they continue their Scouting journey

Cubs – A Year of Challenge, Adventure and Achievement



Working Towards New Badges

Throughout the year, Cubs have worked towards a number of Activity Badges, including Athletics, Artist, Fire Safety, Scientist and Backwoods Cooking. Each badge provided opportunities to try new experiences, learn new skills and build confidence while having fun.

Learning Through Creativity and Discovery

From artistic projects to scientific investigations, Cubs explored their creativity, curiosity and problem-solving abilities. They experimented with different techniques, participated in hands-on learning activities and developed a greater understanding of the world around them while building confidence in their own abilities.

Developing Life Skills

Working towards the Fire Safety and Backwoods Cooking Badges gave Cubs valuable practical skills that can be used both at home and outdoors. They learned about personal safety, emergency procedures, outdoor cooking and responsible behaviour while developing independence and teamwork.

Challenge Awards and the Chief Scout's Silver Award

Alongside Activity Badges, Cubs worked towards their Challenge Awards, encouraging participation across all aspects of Scouting, including adventure, community involvement, personal development and outdoor experiences. A key focus has been supporting Cubs to achieve the prestigious Chief Scout's Silver Award, the highest award in the Cub section, recognising their commitment and participation throughout the year.

Celebrating 110 Years of Cubs

One of the highlights of the year was our special overnight sleepover celebrating the 110th birthday of Cubs. The event provided an opportunity for young people to strengthen friendships, develop confidence and independence, and create lasting memories through a range of fun activities and shared experiences.

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Looking Back

2025 has been a year filled with achievement, adventure and personal growth. Through badge work, challenges and memorable experiences, our Cubs have continued to develop skills for life while demonstrating enthusiasm, resilience and a willingness to embrace new opportunities. We are incredibly proud of everything they have achieved and look forward to seeing them continue to thrive on their Scouting journey.

2nd Airdrie Scout Group Scout Troop – Adventure, Skills and New Challenges

The Scout Troop has enjoyed a busy and exciting year, taking part in a wide range of activities designed to develop leadership, teamwork, practical skills and community involvement. Throughout the year, Scouts have embraced new challenges with enthusiasm, demonstrating confidence, resilience and a willingness to learn.

Building Teamwork and Leadership

The year began with a joint team-building evening alongside the Cub Pack, providing opportunities for young people to build friendships, strengthen communication skills and work together to solve challenges. The event also encouraged Scouts to support and mentor younger members, helping develop leadership and responsibility



Trying Something New

One of the highlights of the programme was the opportunity to learn the sport of fencing. Scouts developed an understanding of technique, safety and sporting etiquette before putting their skills into practice in a friendly competition. The activity promoted discipline, focus and self-confidence while giving young people the chance to experience a completely new challenge.

Innovation and Engineering

Creativity and practical problem-solving were at the heart of an exciting engineering project to design and build a go-kart using recycled materials. Scouts were involved in planning, design and decision-making, gaining valuable experience in teamwork, sustainability and project development. The project continues to progress and has generated great enthusiasm across the Troop.

Caring for Our Community and Environment

Environmental awareness remained an important focus throughout the year. During a visit to The Glen, Scouts helped construct bird feeders and prepare an allotment area for future planting. These activities encouraged responsibility, conservation and an appreciation of the natural environment while making a positive contribution to the local community.

Supporting Local Community Initiatives

The Troop also supported local community activities through a visit to the annual pantomime organised by a local theatre group. The event provided an enjoyable social experience while demonstrating support for a valued community organisation.

Adventure and Outdoor Skills

Outdoor learning remained a key part of the Scout experience. A memorable sleepover gave Scouts the opportunity to pitch tents, build forts and cook outdoors while developing camping, survival and teamwork skills. More recently, they explored traditional Scouting heritage by learning how to erect classic canvas tents and comparing them with modern camping equipment, reinforcing practical outdoor skills while gaining an appreciation of Scouting's history

Looking Back

2025 has been a year of adventure, learning and personal growth for the Scout Troop. Through community projects, outdoor experiences, practical challenges and new activities, Scouts have continued to develop confidence, independence and skills for life. Their commitment, enthusiasm and positive attitude have been a credit to the Troop, and we look forward to even more adventures in the year ahead.

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Scottish Charity Regulator

Office of the Scottish **Charity Regulator**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period							
Period start date				Period end date			
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	01	2025	To	31	12	2025

Reference and administration details

Charity name

2nd Airdrie Scout Group (SC054268)

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number

SC054268

Charity's principal address

8 Alvie Place Airdrie

Postcode ML6 8FL

Names of the charity trustees on date of approval of Trustees' Annual Report

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Julie McMillan			
2	Charlene Miller Cunningham			
3	Esther Watson			
4	James Gray			
5	Christopher Cunningham			
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Reference and administration details

Names of all other charity trustees during the period, if any, (for example, those who resigned part way through the financial period)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document

The Group's governing documents are those of the The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association

How the charity is constituted

The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.

Trustee recruitment and appointment

The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.

Additional Governance :

- a) the induction and training of trustees;
- b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

Objectives and activities

Charitable purposes

The Purpose of Scouting

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The Scout Method

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

- enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- take part in activities indoors and outdoors-
- learn by doing-
- share in spiritual reflection
- take responsibility and make choices-
- undertake new and challenging activities
- make and live by their Promise.

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Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the financial period

Squirrel Scouts

2025 marked the successful launch of our Squirrel Scout Drey, providing a fun and welcoming introduction to Scouting for 13 young people. Through storytelling, creative activities, games and outdoor exploration, Squirrels have developed confidence, social skills and friendships while learning through play in a safe and supportive environment.

Beaver Scouts

The Beaver Colony enjoyed a varied programme of creative, active and outdoor activities that encouraged teamwork, problem-solving and personal development. Through games, crafts, challenges and outdoor learning, Beavers developed confidence, resilience and a strong sense of belonging while having fun and making new friends

Cub Scouts

Our Cubs enjoyed a busy year working towards a range of Activity and Challenge Awards, including Athletics, Artist, Fire Safety, Scientist and Backwoods Cooking. A highlight of the year was the Cub sleepover celebrating 110 years of Cubs, helping young people develop independence, confidence and lasting friendships while continuing their journey towards the Chief Scout's Silver Award.

Scouts

The Scout Troop embraced a year of adventure, learning and community involvement. Activities included fencing, environmental projects, engineering challenges, camping skills and overnight experiences, all helping Scouts develop leadership, teamwork, resilience and practical skills for life while enjoying new challenges and adventures. continues to be made possible by the dedication of our volunteers and the support of parents and carers who help make Scouting a rewarding experience for all.

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient funds to ensure the continued delivery of its charitable activities should income or fundraising fall short.

Details of any deficit

The Group had **no funds** in material deficit at the year end.

Donated facilities and services (if any)

N/A

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Other optional information

A Year in Scouting

Across all sections, 2025 was a year of growth, achievement and opportunity. Through a diverse programme of activities, our young people developed confidence, gained new skills, built lasting friendships and made positive contributions to their community. The Group's success continues to be made possible by the dedication of our volunteers and the support of parents and carers who help make Scouting a rewarding experience for all

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) <i>OSCR will accept digital or typed signatures</i>	Julie McMillan	
Full name(s)	Julie McMillan	
Position (e.g. Chair)	Treasurer	
Date	15/07/2026	