

Shouting for Scouting

in Louth & surrounding villages



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Get ready for take off!

1st Grasby Scout Group were recently welcomed to Humberside Airport as part of a visit, which included a tour around the Air Traffic Control tower and an Eastern Airways' Saab 2000 aircraft as part of attaining their aviation badges. The Scouts said it was a very interesting and informative evening.



Drum to the beat

4th Louth Scouts took part in a fantastic drum workshop; the tutor thought they would even be good enough to take part in a festival later this year. Watch this space!

1st Grasby Beavers

Baked beans for everyone

Earlier in 2018, the Beavers visited Harbour Place, a day centre for the homeless in Grimsby, and decided they would raise money to buy them a microwave.

So they held a fundraising event, called Baked Bean Night, in Grasby Village Hall on December 6th. Beans on toast were served to parents and siblings, and the Beavers entertained everyone with Christmas songs.

Just over £140 was raised for Harbour Place.



Spreading Christmas joy

At their last meeting of term the Beavers sang Christmas carols at Waterloo House Care Home. The residents really enjoyed the carols and the Christmas cards, which the Beavers had made for each of them.

The Beavers also played pass the parcel, which the residents enjoyed watching. At a later date the Beavers took another parcel to the care home, for the staff to play the game again with residents.

A very enjoyable evening was had by both young and old, getting everyone into the Christmas spirit.



Who stole the trees?

Scouts from 2nd Louth were joined by Ludensian Explorers on their Winter Camp at Claxby. Whilst the Scouts and leaders enjoyed the comforts of an insulated building, the Explorers camped outside - thankfully it only rained overnight on one night!

Three walking routes were completed, ranging from 10 to 14 miles over challenging terrain. Sadly the traditional evening wide-game of 'No-Flo' was cancelled due to the forestry commission 'stealing' a lot of the trees. Scout, Ruby Dixon, demanded to be told who removed the trees, why had they been removed and who she could complain to!

All in all it proved to be an excellent weekend, made even more special by the integration of Scouts and Explorers.



A day of fun at William's Den

1st Grasby Beavers went on a trip to William's Den, an adventure attraction in Yorkshire.

Beavers Florence, Meredith and Dandy have shared their hand written reports with us.

William's DEN REPORT

By: Florence Lucy White



It was very fun going on a BEAVERS trip on a SATURDAY. First we met CAROLINE AND she was very kind.

What we did

First Caroline took us to a Locked Box that we could put our stuff safe in it.

Play

Then we went into a cool inside playground. It was fun. Then we went to the outside play area and had a fun play. The sunest bit of the outside play area was the mud kitchen. We pretended to make chocolate.

Den Building

Caroline did a very good demo on the den building. I loved building my den.

We had lunch

After Lunch we went and had another play.

The zip wire challenge

After we played again we did a zip wire challenge. It was fun.

What we had to do!

There were 3 buckets you had to get all of the rings in the buckets. If you did you would get 30 points. If you hit the bucket with the rings but didn't get it in you would get 5 points.

Sadly we had to go home.

very fun



William's den.

I really enjoyed visiting Williams den my best bit was the zipwire challenge where we had to drop three hoops into three buckets. I also really liked playing in the mud kitchens that were ~~out~~ out doors. I had lots of friends to play with. I made a poppy too for remembrance Sunday. All the staff was really friendly.

By Meredith & Dandy.



Contact us

If you want to find out more information about Shouting for Scouting in Louth & surrounding villages or anything to do with local Scouting, please contact Mike Kaynes on 07410 958158. or email dc@louthdistrictscouts.org.uk



Cub Challenge Day

Sunday 14th October was Louth District Cub Challenge Day. This is an annual event and this year 1st Manby, Coastal, Binbrook and 2nd Louth Cubs all took part. The Cubs are given challenges to do and as a team they gain points at each challenge. At the end of the day the points are added up and the winning team get to keep the trophy for a year.

This year Binbrook won, with 1st Manby coming a close second. Well done everyone!

Finn of 1st Manby Cubs said, "The Challenge Day was a very good day. It was good we came second. We had a good team and all the activities were fun. It was fun to be with other Cubs and to mix with other groups".

Change of District Commissioner

The role of District Commissioner is important in providing fun and adventure.

They ensure the District runs effectively and provides good quality Scouting for young people. They proactively support and manage adults in the District and ensure rules and policies of The Scout Association are followed.

After three years in the role Tony Groom (pictured far left) has stepped down and Mike Kaynes of the Binbrook Group (back row middle) takes it on.



Adventure for more young people By Tony Groom

I was eight when I joined Scouting in the 1960's as a Wolf Cub and it's been a part of my life ever since. In '67 I remember what a big deal it was when the uniform changed from shorts to long trousers, and later when girls were allowed to become Venture Scouts.

My first adult role was Assistant Cub Scout Leader for 1st Chalkwell Bay, a group in Essex. It was here I embraced everything Scouting had to offer – making lifelong friends, travelling to some amazing places and challenging myself physically and mentally with a variety of activities.

Looking back my life would have been very different if it weren't for Scouting. Over the years I have taken on a variety of roles at Group, District and County level.

When eight years ago my wife and I were looking for our next adventure, with our children moved away and retirement around the corner, we came to Lincolnshire for its tranquillity and nature. So when four years later I was approached to take on the busy role of Louth's District Commissioner, to take the helm and steer it in the right direction, it wasn't what we had planned.

But I couldn't leave the District in the balance. Because I had seen firsthand how Scouting provides unique opportunities for young people and adult volunteers, shapes them into better people and plays a vital role in communities. This hasn't changed since my Wolf Cub days.

I took on the role with a particular goal in mind. I wanted more young people to experience the adventure I had in my youth - like when at 16 my best friend and I travelled from Essex to the Lake District to youth hostel around the lakes and mountains, a trip I couldn't have done without the skills I'd learnt from Scouting.

So it is my greatest delight, as I look back over the last three years, that we have built three new Groups in Marshchapel, Binbrook and the Coastal area around Mablethorpe. We have also seen growth in the existing Groups to a point where all Groups now have waiting lists. We are literally full-up in the younger two sections and Scouts aren't far behind.

This could not have been achieved without simultaneous growth in the number of adult volunteers, mostly parents, who have stepped forward to support the District. I am eternally grateful to all our volunteers, for their time and effort and for their support to me personally. Our successes have only been achievable together.

I recognise that there is still more to be done, as more and more parents are eager for their children to join. This will mean more places to meet and even more volunteers. Whilst I have stepped down as DC and passed the role to Mike Kaynes, I will continue to support him and the District in my new role as Group Scout Leader for our two Louth Groups. I am really looking forward to working with everyone to ensure we can offer the best adventure to our members and support the Louth community.

Embracing the spirit of Scouting By Mike Kaynes

Firstly I'll quickly introduce myself to those of you who I have yet had a chance to meet. My name is Mike Kaynes or better known in Scouting as Kwazii (for which the story can be recounted when we meet) and I have the honour of being the incoming District Commissioner for Louth.

It's often asked "who is District?" the easy answer is all of us. We all make up a great Louth District from Grasby to Mablethorpe, with the joint goal of providing the best Scouting we can. New opportunities for all and great experiences to help give Skills for Life to our Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, Network members, Young Leaders, Adult Helpers, Sectional Leaders and Support teams.

During 2019 we will be working hard to embrace the spirit of Scouting and help provide more opportunities for all who are part of the wider Scouting family.

I look forward to meeting you all and hearing your ideas to improve Scouting in Louth District. I can be contacted by mike.kaynes@louthdistrictscouts.org.uk or 07410 958158.

Finally I finish by thanking Tony for the fantastic work he has carried out as DC for Louth District Scouts over the last three years. Tony leaves us as with more Groups, more Leaders and more Young People participating in Scouting than when he joined as a DC, which is a credit to him.

The adventures of Manby Cubs

Life saving skills

On the 16th October, Restart a Heart Day, Richard and Liz from LIVES (a Lincolnshire charity made of volunteers who respond to medical emergencies) came along to Cubs to teach them how to do CPR. A few weeks previously the Cubs had completed their training in Emergency Aid Stages 2 and 3. After the CPR training all the Cubs received badges and had a photo taken with a very large inflatable heart (pictured), which they were allowed to keep.

Cub Callum said "It was good because we got to learn how to restart someone's heart and put them in the recovery position".



Tongue sizzling tasting

On the 30th October the Cubs meet was themed 'Horrible Night'. There was a taste table where they guessed substances blind by taste and feel, apple bobbing and finding chocolate in flour (pictured). To finish the evening they made sandwiches with a difference – all the fillings they liked in ONE sandwich – scrumdiddlyumptious!

Cub Ronnie said "The sandwiches were horrible with disgusting things in them. I didn't like the boxes where we had to put our hands in and touch stuff. Rama got my face in the flour".

We will remember them

In November they attended the Remembrance Service at Manby Church, where they placed home-made crosses on the war graves.

Christmas treasure hunt

When Christmas was approaching they took part in a Santa Present Treasure Hunt - a walk through Grimoldby following clues and if the clue was found a present was given. They found all four presents and finished up at friend's house for squash, biscuits and mince pies. A further 'find the sweets' game in their garden and a visit from Santa rounded off a great event.

Cub Alfie said "It was fun and we saw different places in the village. Looking for sweets at the end was good".

District website

louthdistrictscouts.org.uk

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- District calendar
- Groups and section information
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Christmas in Edinburgh

In December the Ludensians went on their Christmas trip, this year to Edinburgh. They visited Edinburgh Castle, the Christmas Market and joined a Harry Potter tour. They also took part in a monopoly style event, which took them to landmarks all over the city, and they got varying points for distance travelled and popularity. Explorer Amy Crumblethorpe tells us more about the trip.

"We travelled to Edinburgh by train and on the way new Explorers got invested. On arriving we walked to the youth hostel getting a good first glimpse of the city. We woke up early on Saturday morning and headed to the old town where we split into two groups. One went to the National Museum of Scotland and the other to Edinburgh Castle.

After lunch we went on a Harry Potter tour. It entailed visiting Victoria Street, which is believed to be what Diagon Alley is based on, and Greyfriars Kirkyard, which is where many of the character's names are from. We also visited some of the cafes that JK Rowling actually wrote the books in.

After this we went back to the hostel for tea and then went out to the Dominion Cinema to watch Aquaman. The movie experience was very good and everybody enjoyed it.

The next day we did a monopoly run type game around the city. I really enjoyed this because it was all over the centre, sending us wide across the new and old town. We ended up in the Christmas Market where we ate lots of food and rode many rides.

Overall Edinburgh was one of the best experiences! From the people to the activities it was incredibly fun and an awesome experience that I would do again."



**Do more.
Learn more.
Be more.**

Groups meet regularly in the following locations:

- Binbrook
- Coastal area
- Grasby
- Louth (2nd & 4th)
- Manby
- Marshchapel



BEAVERS

6-8 yrs

cubs

8-11 yrs

SCOUTS

10.5-14 yrs

EXPLORERS

14-18 yrs