

Shouting for Scouting

in Louth & surrounding villages



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Ahoy, matey!

It was all hands on deck for the Coastal Scout Group at Mablethorpe Carnival. They worked hard and tirelessly to turn a boat shell into a fantastic pirate themed float.

Complete with flowerpot men, adapted from their entry for Mablethorpe in Bloom, it was a team effort with young people, volunteers and parents giving their time and creativity.

They were rewarded with the Best Non-Commercial Float award. Congratulations!

The Coastal Scout Group would like to pass on their thanks to the organisers of the carnival and all of the staff who kept the carnival safe for everyone. Special thanks also go to the Hildreds Centre in Skegness for the use of the float and to Coastal Recoveries for bringing the float from Skegness.

We look forward to seeing next year's entry!



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Going back to the 40's

In September Lincolnshire Wolds Railway in Ludborough held a 1940's weekend.

Young people from Binbrook, Manby and Coastal Scout Groups went along to play the key roles in the re-enactment of evacuees leaving by train during WWII. In full costume they really got into the spirit of the event.

Off the train there was lots to see and do, including singing and dancing to live forties music, battle re-enactments, vintage vehicles and a Lancaster flypast.



Contact us

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Scouts christen course

Over the summer young people from Coastal Scout Group were invited to the opening of the Lincolnshire Aquapark in Mablethorpe. After the official opening by the Mayor of Mablethorpe, they spent an energetic hour playing on the apparatus and some took part in a 'Total Wipeout' race around the course, with one member achieving top timings for the course.

Backwoods cooking menu

Check out this scrummy menu cooked with style by 1st Grasby Beavers.

Mains

Hotdogs wrapped in bread dough

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Sides

Cheese & onion potatoes

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Dessert

Campfire waffles with fruit, chocolate & marshmallows

Or

Popcorn

Their verdict – yum!



Caring for our coast

Beavers and Cubs from Coastal Scout Group got involved in the UK's biggest beach clean and survey – Beachwatch. Organised by the Marine Conservation Society it aims to help people from all around the UK care for their coastline.

With Lincolnshire having more than 50 miles of coast, which for members of the Coastal Group is right on their doorstep, they wanted contribute to its protection. It's not only a playground for them it's also home to a variety of marine wildlife, and is the livelihood of friends and family who work in tourism and fishing. The information they collected will help the Society continue to fight the war on litter.

On behalf of local residents and wildlife at Theddlethorpe Beach we'd like to thank the young people for their hard work and dedication.



A spotlight on... Binbrook Scout Group

The first group in our spotlight feature is Binbrook, headed by Group Scout Leader Mike Kaynes.

The group was established in April 2016 with 15 young people across Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. Mike and his team of volunteers, including two new young leaders, work across all sections.

Their efforts have seen the group expand to 40 young people in sections that are all still growing. The group attracts members (currently with an equal girl/boy split) from Binbrook and neighbouring villages.

A full sectional programme is offered as well as a vast group programme of both camps and activities. Recent activities include a Beaver camp at St Luke's and a group camp at The Oaks, where the young people were able to take part in an axe throwing activity.



The air force connection

Binbrook Scout Group is twinned with 1st Binbrook Scout Group in Canada.

Lincolnshire is home to two Lancasters – British bomber planes used by the Royal Air Force and other Commonwealth air forces during World War II.

The plane at RAF Coningsby is one of only two airworthy Lancasters left.

The other is in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, which is only 12 miles from the Binbrook Scout Group!

Coincidentally the Canadian group is situated the same distance away from Lincoln, Canada as our group is from Lincoln, UK.



Join in the fun at Binbrook

Cubs – Tuesday evenings
Beavers – Thursday evenings
Scouts – Thursday evenings

At the Reading Room, Binbrook
Mike Kaynes deputy@louthdistrictscouts.org.uk



Summer in Sweden

By Alex Carver, Explorer

At the end of July our Explorer unit went to a camp in Sweden. We were invited by a Swedish Scout unit that one of our previous members had met in the past. We had a separate Explorer campsite and spent all week cooking, eating and doing activities in joint patrols with Explorers from Sweden, Norway and Germany.

The camp was called DUST. There was a huge lake, which had a beach connected to it. The lake was mostly used for swimming and water sports, for example Canadian Canoe water football, sailing and canoeing. The water was freezing, however it was refreshing.

In the evenings we cooked our own meals and had 'camp fires', except there was a nationwide fire ban because there were big forest fires in Sweden this year. After the camp we had a day in Vasteras, with a guided tour of the town and we slept in the Swedish Scout hall. Then we had a day exploring Stockholm and spent the night on board a ship.

Overall it was a great trip and I would like to go again. Thanks to Jan for organising it.



Skills for life

By Tony Groom, District Commissioner

The summer is over and we start a new Scouting year. Scouts of all ages will have been out and about doing exciting and adventurous activities making friends along the way, and now we look forward to what is in store for the coming year.

Scouting wants to be 'youth shaped' – by that we mean we want the young people to be involved in the planning and organisation of what they do each weekday evening or at the weekends. For Explorers (14-18 year olds) that means putting together a programme and agreeing with their fellow members what realistically can be achieved and getting stuck into making it happen. At

the younger end, Beavers (6-8 year olds) can have their say in chatting with their leaders about what they would like to do. All this is part of our new motto 'Skills for Life'. Young people making decisions and seeing them through, even if sometimes they don't get it right, because that's a great learning curve in itself.

Over the summer many of our young people have been out working with and in the community. For example helping at the Lions Duck Race in Louth, entering the Mablethorpe in Bloom competition and the carnival, and in September three groups supporting the Lincolnshire Wold Railway 1940's event

at Ludborough. All this is great stuff as it shows the community at large that young people and Scouts in particular are learning to be good citizens by giving to society rather than taking.

I wish everyone great Scouting throughout the coming year.



Bringing colour to the community

The Coastal Scout Group added their fragrant and colourful touch to the streets of Mablethorpe as part of this year's Mablethorpe in Bloom.

The town entered into the Britain in Bloom competition and also featured in the BBC's Britain in Bloom series starring some local residents. The displays certainly brightened the streets and made residents smile!



My Dutch adventure

In August 1st Grasby Scouts spent a week in Hoorn, Holland making friends and exploring with Dutch Scouts. To keep their global footprint down the 22 young people and volunteers stuck to public transport as they travelled around the area, including a trip to Amsterdam.

Scouts from the four patrols shared extracts from their diaries with us.

Stags Patrol

"A leader from a Dutch group talked to us about the history of Holland and their empire (Dutch East Indian company). He mentioned how Holland was formed by windmills pumping water out of the ground. This meant the country was constantly growing as more and more water was pumped out to sea. It went from 11 provinces to 12 in 10 years. However, every year Schiphol Airport sinks by 1 centimetre and on average the rest of Holland sinks by 1 millimetre, which makes it a constantly changing country."



Wolves Patrol

"On our first day in Hoorn it was time to explore! After an unusually early start and some breakfast shopping, we set off on foot. Our mission, to find out about the local area, specifically, the swimming pool. After a while we arrived at the pool and after tackling some language barrier issues we came away with answers to the following questions: how much a child/adult would cost, what time it opened /shut and how much a locker cost. We were pleased with ourselves!"



Eagles Patrol

"Today we went to Amsterdam at nine o'clock, travelling by train for about one hour. When we arrived we waited for a ferry across to the other half of Amsterdam and having boarded we took photos. Soon after arriving we looked at an interesting art gallery where there was some cool architecture. We then returned to the ferry and set off to Anne Frank's house. The museum was very interesting and we all enjoyed learning about her life and backstory."



Hawks Patrol

“We cycled for 20 miles against the edge of the sea and through little villages, where the view was amazing and made the cycle ride enjoyable. Along the ride there were lots of different animals such as: many sheep filling the fields, horses being ridden, large goats and lots of little ducks.”



New troop for Scouts in Louth

We're pleased to announce that Louth now has two Scout troops. For many years the 2nd Louth Scout Troop was the only option, but now loyal 4th Louth Cubs can stay on with the creation of the new 4th Louth Scout Troop.

After a successful opening information evening the first of four taster sessions started on Monday 24th September.

The troop will start officially after the October half term break. They will meet on Mondays from 7:00-8:30pm at Louth Methodist Church.

If you have a 10.5 to 13 year old interested in joining Scouts in Louth, or if you or anybody you know aged 18+ who would be interested in helping out then please contact Tony Groom on 01507 354389 or email dc@louthdistrictscouts.org.uk



Good luck to all the young people who are leaving us to go to university. We wish you well and hope you come back and see us again soon!

**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