

1st. CARLTON-IN-LINDRICK SCOUT GROUP

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Charity Registration Number: 522434.

ANNUAL REPORT FOR APCM MAY 2023.

This has been a tremendously successful year with a King's Scout Award, three members of the group selected to attend the World Scout Jamboree and a new section (Squirrels) started.

Numbers of young people in the group continue to increase and we are at maximum capacity in some sections. There are waiting lists of children wanting to join these sections, particularly those for younger children.

Luke Annals has completed all the requirements of the King's Scout Award. This is a real achievement as this is the highest award that can be earned in scouting and is rarely gained. It is the first time it has been awarded in Bassetlaw since Charles III became King. Congratulations to Luke.

Two of our scouts, Amy Cohen and Laura Maddock, will be attending the World Scout Jamboree in South Korea in the summer of 2023. One of our young leaders, Luke Annals, will also be attending as part of the International Service Team. Congratulation to them all. We look forward to hearing about their "trip of a lifetime" after their return.

In the autumn of 2022 we were able to start a new section called 'Squirrels'. This is for 4 to 6 year olds. We are the first group to have Squirrels in Bassetlaw and one of only a handful in Nottinghamshire. We are very fortunate in having three very enthusiastic leaders to run this section, Claudia Cofield-Vance, Rachael Raymond and Caroline Savage.

We have been able to pay for the refurbishment of part of the Parish Centre courtyard. This will enable more of our activities to be outdoors whenever the weather and other constraints allow.

As one of her last honours award Queen Elizabeth II granted the "Queen's Award for Voluntary Service" to Nottinghamshire Scouts. This is the highest award that can be given to a voluntary organisation and is equivalent to an MBE. Each leader and adult volunteers received a certificate and a badge.

We are very fortunate in having many excellent leaders and helpers but we always welcome extra help in all sections. The current leaders are all thanked for their hard work and the many hours they have put in during the year. We are very pleased that many of them continue to be involved with the Group after many, many years of valuable service.

The Group is also grateful for the continued support from its Group Committee members.

Finally the Group would like to thank everyone, including parents and friends of the Group, who has supported us during the year. Our thanks must also be extended to our Church, local authorities, charitable trusts and other organisations which continue to support us extremely generously financially.

We look forward to this support continuing in the forthcoming year.

A copy of the annual balance sheet is available on request.

Richard Smith

(Group Scout Leader)

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