

Annual Report

For the Period of 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024

Charity name: 7th Larne Scout Group

Registered Charity Number: 103949

Governing Document:

The groups governing documents are those of the Scout Association.

They consist of the Royal charter, which in turn gives authority to the bylaws of the Association. The Policy, Organisation and Rules of the Scout Association.

Constitution:

The group is a trust, established under its rules which are common to all scouts.

Trustee selection methods:

The trustees are appointed in accordance with the policy organization on the rules of the Scout Association.

Risk and Internal control:

The group executive ensures that all activities are undertaken in accordance with his Scout Association policy, organisation, and rules.

All leaders are members of the Scout Association and as such have a valid access N.I. check and covered by the Scout Association national accident insurance policy.

Risk Assessments are undertaken for all activities.

Objectives:

The objectives of the group are as a unit of the Scout Association.

The aim of the Scout Association is to promote the development of the young people in achieving full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials as individuals as responsible citizens and members of their local, national and international communities.

The method of achieving the aim of the Association is providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training based on the scout promise on law and guided by adult leadership.

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

- Enjoy what they are doing and have fun
- Take part in activities outdoors
- Learn by doing
- Share in spiritual reflection
- Take responsibility and make choices
- Undertake new and challenging activities
- Make and live by their promise

The group meets the charity commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and advancement of citizen or community development headings.

7th Larne Scout Group 2023 to 2024

The Scout Group had a very exciting year 2023 – 2024.

We held a family camp for all the members of the group at Curran Caravan Park in Larne.

At the end of 2023 we had an awards ceremony with an end of year party with bouncy castles. Our Explorers attended a Survival camp in September. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers attended the Larne Remembrance Parade in November, and we had an all-members trip to the Cinema and a Christmas party in December.

Beavers visited the local Fire station at the start of March. The whole group had an Easter party in March.

Awards

All sections have gained several activity badges and challenge awards appropriate to their section.

We had 1 Squirrel achieve their Acorn award, 1 Beaver achieve their Bronze award and 2 Cubs achieve their Silver award. These are the highest awards in their sections.

Training

The awards mentioned above are the result of a steady input from the leaders of all sections. All leaders must attend training appropriate to their role with full leaders requiring First Response first aid. Skills are kept up to date by attending refresher courses when available. Online courses have been made available for the "Getting started" modules required for all Leaders and assistants.

Programme

Each meeting provides an exciting programme based on the challenge and activity badges.

Topics which have been covered this year include life skills, first aid, international, fitness, events and outdoor adventures.

Numbers

We have 45 youth members in the group

12 Squirrel scouts

13 Beaver scouts

13 Cub scouts

4 Scouts

3 Explorers

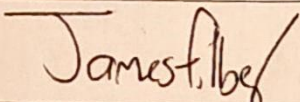
Financial Review:

The Group is funded by the fees from each of its youth members. Grants from the Education Authority and Mid and East Antrim borough council.

Any extra events are supported directly by the parents of the members.

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

Signed on behalf of the Charity's trustees.

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Full Name	JAMES FILBEY
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Position	TREASURER
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Date:	07 / 04 / 2024
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