

30th CRAIGALMOND (DAVIDSON'S MAINS) SCOUT GROUP

ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

30th Craigmmond (Davidson's Mains) Scout Group
Trustees' Annual Report
Year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustee Board has pleasure in presenting its report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Name & Address

The Group's name is 30th Craigmmond (Davidson's Mains) Scout Group and it may be contacted through Chris Richardson (Treasurer, acting as an honorary reporting accountant), 102 Silverknowes Road, Edinburgh.

Constitution

The Group's governing documents are those of 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, with Scottish variations.

The Scout Group was recognised as a charity by The Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR) which gave the Association's Scottish Charity Number as SC007789.

Structure, governance and management

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

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

The Group is managed by the Group Trustee Board, the members of which are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group, which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

All charity trustees are familiar with the work of the charity. If there are any areas where additional training is required, this will be discussed at the Trustee Board meeting and a solution identified.

The day-to-day management is delegated by the Trustee Board to the Group Lead Volunteer (GLV).

Objectives and organisational structure

The objective of The Scout Association is to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

Scouting in the United Kingdom is organised in Scout Groups, Scout Districts, Scout Counties (Scout Regions in Scotland) and Country Headquarters. These 'units' of Scouting provide, support; channels for communication; opportunities for youth Members and adults to make decisions and take responsibility and functional units through which the design and delivery of the youth programme can be best achieved. A Scout Group comprises one or more of any or all of the following: a Squirrel Drey; a Beaver Colony; a Cub Pack or a Scout Troop. Additionally, a Group may also include one or more Active Support Units. An Explorer Scout Unit may also be attached to a Scout Group.

Trustees

	:	Treasurer
	:	Chairperson (resigned 9 November 2025)
	:	Secretary (resigned 9 November 2025)
	:	Member
	:	Member
	:	Member
	:	Member
	:	Group Lead Volunteer

Trustees are recruited and appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation & Rules ("POR") of the Scout Association.

Activities and Achievements

The Scout Group, which is made up of around 150 young people and supported by around 40 weekly volunteers, had another successful and busy year. As well as weekly volunteers, we are also very well supported in the background with support with admin and finance functions as well as waiting list, hall management and bookings, fundraising and the Trustee Board who collectively help with the smooth running of the Scout Group.

We also have an Active Support Unit of around 40 members who help with events and camps where additional support is needed which is a great help.

Leaders continue to run excellent fun and adventurous programmes, with lots of badges, events and camps taking place in all sections.

We continue to have great links in with the local community and with the Pink Panther Explorer Scout Unit (PPESU) where most of our Scouts move to at 14 years old.

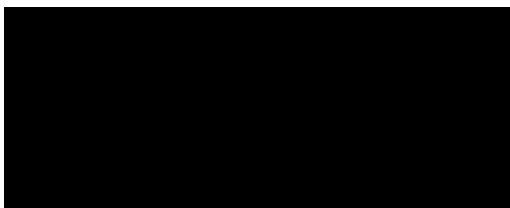
Looking back over the last year, the GLV noted the following highlights:

- Squirrels have now been running very successfully for two years
- We collected food bank donations for the Edinburgh Food Project
- We raised funds for our Scout Group via the smarties fundraiser which raised around £350
- We participated in the Christmas Lights Switch-on in Davidson's Mains where we served hot drinks and home-baking
- We were successful in being selected for Tesco "blue tokens" where we received a £1,500 donation which will be used to purchase new equipment
- We purchased some new tents thanks to a grant from Edinburgh City Council
- Our Scout section had a great weekend camp at Canty Bay, East Lothian
- Our Beaver section had a fun Beaver camp at Bonaly
- Our Cubs had a fun pirate-themed camp at Bonaly
- The Scout section completed an expedition in the Pentland hills
- We held our Group Camp in the grounds of Lauriston Castle with around 160 of us who enjoyed the best weekend of sunshine in 2025! All sections took part in local activities, including a walk to Carmond Island and back
- We participated in Gala Day where we served hundreds of hot dogs, hot drinks and chili con carne
- A number of our Scouts attended a camp in Switzerland
- We also served hot dogs, cold drinks and snacks at the Gala Football events
- We visited the Gang Show and some of our young people took part in the performance

- We finished our term in June 2025 with a sausage sizzle for all sections in Davidson's Mains Park
- We ran a community volunteering event which was a coffee morning for those interested in volunteering. The funds raised were donated to Davidson's Mains Primary School and The Royal High School
- We took part in the Remembrance Service in Davidson's Mains where we made a poppy display
- We are continuing to work on the Oral History Project to document the last 100 years of Scouting in Davidson's Mains. This project, which received funding from the Heritage Lottery Fund, is due to complete in December 2025 and an event to mark this is scheduled for January 2026

Reserves Policy

The Trustees believe that no less than three months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves in order to cover the timing differences between receipts and payments and to allow for any unexpected expenditure on repairs to the Scout Hall and its environs, and replacement of equipment.



Approved by the Group Executive Committee on 22 December 2025.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of 30th Craigalmond (Davidson's Mains) Scout Group – Registered Charity SC007789

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

During my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe, that in any material respect, the requirements:

1. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
2. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

22 December 2025

30th Craigalmond (Davidson's Mains) Scout Group
Receipts & Payments Account
Period ended 31 March 2025

	Note	History Project	General	Total 2024/25	History Project	General	Total 2023/24
RECEIPTS							
Voluntary Income							
Subscriptions	3	-	7,273	7,273	-	8,723	8,723
Fund Raising Activities	4	28,445	15,027	43,472	-	8,127	8,127
Gift Aid Grant	5	-	3,944	3,944	-	4,140	4,140
Donations, Other Grants & Hall Rental	6	-	14,958	14,958	-	15,702	15,702
Investment Income & Bank Interest		-	1,117	1,117	-	1,209	1,209
Total Receipts		28,445	42,319	70,764	-	37,901	37,901
PAYMENTS							
Group Activities							
Programme Activities	7	24,950	16,576	41,526	-	11,655	11,655
Badges/Neckers/Uniforms	8	-	2,050	2,050	-	3,465	3,465
Equipment Purchase	9	-	2,918	2,918	-	3,150	3,150
Premises	10	-	18,110	18,110	-	18,779	18,779
Management & Administration Costs	11	-	2,056	2,056	-	2,220	2,220
Donations	12	-	-	-	-	100	100
Total Payments		24,950	41,710	66,660	-	39,368	39,369
(Defecit)/ Surplus for the period		3,495	609	4,104	-	-1,468	-1,468

30th Craigmmond (Davidson's Mains) Scout Group
Statement of Balance
Period ended 31 March 2025

	History Project	General	Total Mar 25	History Project	General	Total Mar 24
	£	£	£			£
Cash & Bank Balances (unrestricted)						
Balance as at 1/4/2024	-	51,705	51,705	-	53,173	53,173
Surplus / (deficit) for the year	3,495	609	4,104	-	(1,468)	(1,468)
Balance as at 31/03/2025	3,495	52,314	55,809	-	51,705	51,705
Bank Current Account	-	7,937	7,937	-	6,273	6,273
CAF account	-	45	45	-	5	5
Switzerland Account	-	240	240	-	2,218	2,218
Bank Liquidity Account	-	31,856	31,856	-	30,893	30,893
Bank Business Reserve Account	-	11,024	11,024	-	10,871	10,871
Bank History project account	3,495	-	3,495	-	-	-
Cash in hand	-	850	850	-	644	644
Loan granted for Shed	-	362	362	-	801	801
	3,495	52,314	55,809	-	51,705	51,705

Assets

The Group owns the Scout Hall and the land on which it stands at 5 Quality Street, Davidson's Mains.
The title is held in the names of the District Commissioner, Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the time being of Craigmmond Scout Council on behalf of the Group. The title deeds are held in safe keeping at South East Scotland Scouts legal advisers, Morton Fraser MacRoberts LLP.

The Group owns a quantity of camping, other sporting and kitchen equipment acquired over a number of years.

Liabilities

The Group has no other obligations.

Reserves

During the year the Group received grant funding of £28,445 from the National Lottery Heritage Fund for the delivery of an oral history of the Group project. This is considered to be restricted funding and it is ringfenced within a separate bank account. During the year costs of £24,950 have been incurred leaving a remaining reserve of £3,495 at the end of the year.

The Notes on Pages 7 form an integral part of these Accounts.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on 22 December 2025 and signed on its behalf

Charity No. SC007789

	2024/25	2023/24
	£	£
1. Funds		
The Group maintains both a General Fund and a ringfenced reserve for delivering an oral history project, which was funded through a National Lottery Heritage grant.		
2. Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses		
The Trustees did not receive any remuneration or expenses during the year		
3. Subscription Income		
Squirrels	1,103	740
Beavers	3,440	3,410
Cubs	4,845	5,525
Scouts	5,951	7,112
	<u>15,339</u>	<u>16,787</u>
Less: Paid to Scout Headquarters	<u>8,066</u>	<u>8,064</u>
	<u>7,273</u>	<u>8,723</u>
4. Fund-Raising Income		
Scout Fundraising and Matched Giving	28,445	
History Project Grant	<u>15,027</u>	<u>8,127</u>
Group Wide Fund-Raising Events	<u>43,472</u>	<u>8,127</u>
5. Gift Aid		
During October 2024 Gift Aid was claimed and received for subscriptions covering the years ended 31 March 2024.		
6. Donations		
Contributions received for use of hall	12,458	15,702
Donations	<u>2,500</u>	
	<u>14,958</u>	<u>15,702</u>
7. Programme Activities		
Squirrels	120	48,00
Beavers	202	594
Cubs	634	955
Scouts	2,230	1,377
Group Camping Activities (surplus)/deficit	12,175	8,681
History project	<u>26,165</u>	
	<u>41,526</u>	<u>11,655</u>
8. Badges / Neckers / Uniforms		
Leaders' Uniforms	118	374
Neckers and Badges	<u>1,932</u>	<u>3,091</u>
	<u>2,050</u>	<u>3,465</u>
9. Equipment Purchase		
Camping and Activity Equipment / Repairs	2,918	3,150
	<u>2,918</u>	<u>3,150</u>
10. Premises		
Electricity	6,407	3,462
Software	384	384
Cleaning	3,038	2,275
Repairs and maintenance	5,344	10,923
Mural	1,160	
Insurance	<u>1,777</u>	<u>1,735</u>
	<u>18,110</u>	<u>18,779</u>
11. Management & Administration Costs		
Stationery / Postage/ First Aid		60
Gocardless fees, AGM Expenses and Misc	<u>2,056</u>	<u>2,160</u>
	<u>2,056</u>	<u>2,220</u>
12. Donations		
Donation/contribution to Explorer camp		<u>100</u>