



# 1st Shipley Scout Group (Windhill)

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# Reports & Accounts

**1st January to  
31st December 2011**

## GROUP REGISTRATION WITH THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION

The Group is registered with The Scout Association under Registration No.66 dated 1908

### TRUST STATUS

The Group is deemed to be a trust established under its rules and constitution which are common to all Groups and defined in The Scout Association *Policy, Organisation and Rules* document and is exempt from direct registration with the Charity Commission by virtue of *Charities (Exemption of Certain Charities for Boy Scouts and Girl Guides from Registration) Regulations 1961, SI 1961 No1044*.

### CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

The Scout Association is registered with the Charity Commissioners under Registration No. 306101.

### TRUSTEES

**The Trustees** are appointed in accordance with the *Policy, Organisation and Rules* of The Scout Association and are as follows.

#### **Ex-Officio**

<b>Group Scout Leader</b>	Andrew Manley
<b>Assistant GSL</b>	James Stannett
<b>Beaver Scout Leader</b>	Rachel Shoulder
<b>Cub Scout Leader</b>	Paula Wright
<b>Explorer Scout Leader</b>	Lee Farrow

#### **Elected**

<b>Group Chairman</b>	Les Benton	<b>Parent Trustee</b>	Jim Mackie
<b>Group Treasurer</b>	Derek Manley	<b>Fundraising Officer</b>	Gillian Shackleton
<b>Group Secretary</b>	Vacant		

#### **Nominated**

<b>PR/Grant Officer</b>	David Bryan
<b>Group Administrator</b>	Julie Wright

#### **Co-Opted**

<b>Secretary</b>	Karen Hammonds
<b>Parent Representative</b>	Julie Reid

### BANKERS

Lloyds TSB Plc	
Thomas Duggan House	Sort Code. 30-91-12
Wellcroft	Account No. 4860803
ShIPLEY BD18 3QH	

### CONTACT NAMES AND ADDRESS

<b>Accounts</b>	Mr Derek Manley 3 Cragside Thackley Bradford BD10 8JR	<b>All other matters</b>	Mr Les Benton Roundwood Lodge, Silson Lane Baildon BD17 6SW
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## **GROUP AIMS**

The Group is a member of The Scout Association of the United Kingdom and as such its Aims are those of The Scout Association as detailed in The Association's *Policy, Organisation and Rulers*. These are, briefly, the overall development of young people to achieve their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

## **GROUP OBJECTIVES**

The overarching objectives of the Group are those of The Scout Association, namely to provide a balanced, varied and progressive programme of enjoyable, attractive and challenging training, designed to achieve its Aims, based on the Scout Promise and Law, guided by well trained adult leaders.

## **MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES IN THE YEAR IN REVIEW**

The Group currently has 8 fully qualified Leaders and 4 part qualified Leaders following approved training courses. Our Group Scout Leader is a deputy head teacher and holds a specialism in Special Needs Issues. Our Assistant Group Scout Leader is a qualified part time Youth Worker and our Beaver Scout Leader is a schoolteacher. All are adept at transferring their skills to a Scouting context. The Group also has Leaders with specialist qualifications in Archery and Air Rifle Target Shooting and various survival skills. There are 5 Young Leaders undergoing training. Current membership stands at 75.

During the last 12 months, the Scout Group has accomplished the following major achievements:

- Facilitate the involvement of 2 young people in the 22nd World Scout Jamboree and the Rotary Club Young Leaders Course.
- Successfully recruited 4 new leaders.
- 23 Scouts, Explorers and their Leaders attended a week long Summer Camp at Shoreham, Brighton.
- Ran a successful group camp at Hesley Wood Scout Camp, Sheffield
- Ran a successful group activity camp at Fanwood, Gomersal
- Increased our youth membership by 12%.
- Provided over 10 separate Nights Away opportunities for our Young People
- Successfully secured £3000 funding for Expeditions and commenced the Queen's Scout Award.
- Our Beaver Scouts planted bulbs in our community garden.
- Successfully secured over £500 for group development from the Local Authority fund for Uniformed Groups.
- Provided over 100 hours of Archery tuition to local scouts, youth groups and schools and increased our archery leaders by 1.
- Secured an agreement to run Rifle Shooting sessions in a partnership at a local shooting club.
- Successfully trained leaders in crate stacking, building cob ovens and in survival techniques.
- Worked in partnership with the Salvation Army in starting a Second Cub Pack.
- Set up and administered a Group Website and Texting service.

Turning to our objectives for the coming year we seek to consolidate the advances made in 2011 and expand our activities in a number of areas to enhance the Scouting experiences and opportunities of our members. To this end we plan to:

- Successfully take part in the county Big Camp for all sections.
- Reach a Census membership of 100 (capacity for the group).
- Present more Chief Scout Award Across the Section (the highest award in Scouting)
- Explore the idea of a partnership with Windhill Christchurch in order to secure accommodation for the Scout Group.
- Celebrate the Olympics and the Queen's Diamond Jubilee
- Hold a successful cycle of fundraising events co-ordinated by a parent team.
- Look into the feasibility of operating a Group Minibus.

## **CHILD PROTECTION**

A rigorous Child Protection Policy is in place which equals or exceeds the extensive and detailed requirements of The Scout Association. The named Child Protection Officer is Mr Andrew Manley (Group Scout Leader). The District Child Protection Officer is Mrs Carolyn Driver (District Commissioner). The County Child Protection Officer is Mr Colin Knightley

## **EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

The Group, being a member of The Scout Association, is a member of a worldwide youth movement. As such it is committed to equality of opportunity for all young people and Leaders. This means it is committed to extending Scouting, its purposes and methods to people in all parts of society, especially to young people and to ensuring no young person receive less favourable treatment on the basis of, nor suffer disadvantage by reason of; class, ethnic origin, race, gender, marital status, sexual status, mental ability, physical ability, political belief or religious belief except in such cases as it may reasonably be judged that such non-discrimination may result in excessive danger to, or actual harm to, the individual or other members.

## **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

In planning The Group's activities, the Leadership and Trustees work together to ensure every effort is made to comply with the Charity Commissioner's guidance on public benefit. Particularly, membership is open to all young people prepared to make the Scout Promise and to try their best to obey the Scout Law. This Promise and Law places a strong emphasis on public service and the continuing educational development of young people outside the normal school curriculum.

## **RESERVES**

At the year-end, income reserves were £2500. This is in accordance with The Group's policy on reserves to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of The Group for one year should income fall short of the minimum estimated amount so required. This is normally an amount equal to one year's subscriptions to West Yorkshire County Scout Council and The Scout Association UK based on the most recent census figures.

## **RISKS**

The Trustees have examined all identifiable potential risks to which they believe The Group may be exposed. They have been unable to identify any such risks.

## **APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS**

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis consistent with the previous year and represent the year starting 01 January 2011 through to 31 December 2011. The accounts were approved by the trustees on the 12th March 2012 and are signed on their behalf by

Les Benton  
Group Chairman

Derek Manley  
Group Treasurer