

**87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond (Granton Seaway) Edinburgh Scout Group**

**Annual Report & Financial Statements**

For the

**Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015**

**Scottish Charity No SC030643**

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**Trustees Annual Report**  
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The Executive Committee has pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015.

**Name & Address**

The Group Name is the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigmmond (Granton Seaway) Edinburgh Scout Group and it may be contacted at 81 Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh EH5 2PW or email [info@87thscouts.org.uk](mailto:info@87thscouts.org.uk)

**Constitution & Purpose**

The Scout Group is constituted in terms of the Rules of the Scout Association, which is a charitable body incorporated by Royal Charter. The Group is a registered Scottish Charity – No SC030643.

The purpose of the Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities. The method of achieving the aim of the Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Law and Promise and guided by adult leadership.

Trustees	Position
Andrew Dean	Chairman
Anna Hamilton	Treasurer
Chas Macintosh	Group Scout Leader (acting)
Anne Macintosh	Beaver Leader
Scott Macintosh	Quartermaster and Assistant Beaver Leader
Isobel Logan	Cub Leader
Charles Macintosh	Scout Leader
Cliff Blackie	Hut Caretaker
Stuart Young	Explorer Leader
Norman Smith	Group Chaplain
Vitor De Fonseca	Fund raising Sub Committee Chair
Mhairi Jarvis	Cub Parent rep

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

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Activities & Achievements

During the year the Group has continued to deliver a Scout Program for the benefit of the young people (see below):

**Update from the Group Scout Leader –**

If you're reading this at the AGM, then welcome – and thanks for coming along. I'm pleased to report that 2014-2015 has been a brilliant year for the Scout Group. We continued our 60th birthday celebrations throughout 2014, culminating in a re-union in October. It was superb seeing load of old faces – and made some of us remember just how old we are!! It's also been a good year with some wonderful additions to the leadership team. A big welcome to Carrie Bush who comes to us from Scout Groups in London and Leeds, and also to Tilly Taylor who joined us last year.

Welcome back also to a couple of 'home grown' new leaders, with Jamie Manson joining us over the first half of the year as Assistant Scout Leader. Jamie's new work commitments means that he can't do as much now with us these days, but we hope he'll return when he can. Welcome back also to Paul Gunderson as Assistant Scout Leader. We are also pleased to have Peter, Tia and Euan as Young Leaders. All the new leaders are taking their training so that they can play a full part in the in providing great Scouting to around 60 young people in the Group.

Harry Lancashire, our Group Scout Leader, left us at the end of 2014, and we extend many thanks to him for his work while he was in the role. We are now on the lookout for someone to take over this important role – in the meantime I'm holding the fort as Acting GSL'.

*Chas*

**BEAVERS**

We have 18 Beavers at the moment. A few members transferred to Cubs in January and several more will be 'pulled up' tonight.

As always, the Beavers have had a very varied weekly programme since last August. This included themes such as having Tia's dog visit us on Pets night, learning circus skills, making sweets, tasting different fruits and celebrating the Chinese New Year. In October, we joined with other Beaver Colonies from our district at a Magic Night.

In September we had another boating night and this time the engine worked. We had to reschedule from June when the boat engine gave up in the middle of our trips. Beavers and parents got a trip out around the harbour in Sparkie.

We went on an exhilarating Wellie walk to Cramond Island at the end of March. We survived sleet and a howling gale and even had time for juice and a biscuit.

As usual our annual picnic to North Berwick was a great success on Saturday 23rd May. We took the train and then walked to the play park for a picnic. We had a great time there and one Beaver was heard to say "Let's go on one of the rides we've not been on". (Eat you heart out Disney!!) Later we moved down to the beach where we played in the sand and paddled. We had sunny weather and special thanks to Adam one of the Cub Leaders for helping to supervise.

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We are in the middle of a series of evenings giving taster sessions about camping to the Beavers. We have completed camp cooking on gas stoves and learning about lighting a wood fire, ropes and knots, first aid and hygiene including a look at the camp latrines. Last week we pitched a tent in the ground and next week we plan to do maps and tracking.

Our last Beaver night of the session will be the usual BBQ and sports night in our grounds and we hope the sun shines for us then as it did last year.

We have help every Tuesday from Tia one of our Explorer Scouts and also Tilly who joined us at Christmas. Thanks also to all other leaders and adults who have helped out on various occasions over the last year and of course to all parents for their continued support and encouragement.

*Anne, Scott, Tia and Tilly.  
87th Beaver Leaders*

### **CUBS**

Cubs have a steady number of 12. None of the Cubs are ready to make the move up to Scouts this summer. The Cubs have completed the Handyman Badge and First Aid Level 2. We also had a Cub that took part in a junior golf tournament at St Andrews – this earned him the Sportsman Badge for his achievement. We are of course all looking forward to camp in September and we are being joined by four of the new Cubs that will be coming from Beavers. We have 2 of the Explorer Scouts explorers helping us out on Monday evenings who are who are doing their Young Leader training. Thanks to all the parents for their support throughout the year.

Have a good safe summer.

*Isobel "Akela"*

### **SCOUTS**

The Scout Troop is strong in numbers and enthusiasm at the moment, reflecting a huge rise in popularity in Scouting across the UK – numbers are up everywhere and we're no exception.

Highlights of the year include: Cramond Island firelighting, Creative Challenge, Stop Motion Photography, Halloween, Christmas Night Hike, Burns Supper, Pancake Night, Chines New Year, back to basics with fire, knotting and tent pitching, climbing wall, archery, King Swing, Earth Ball.....

Summer camp in August was back by popular demand to Sandy Island on Loch Tay – a great time was had and it was good to get back to our old haunt at 'the island'. We're looking forward to another summer camp on Sandy Island this year – a return visit for many in the Troop and a new experience for others.

We're sure that you'll agree that we've had a vary varied and exciting programme over the year.

*Chas Macintosh*

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**EXPLORERS**

In September 2014 the Explorers re-started after 2 years of inactivity with two leaders, Stuart Young & Katy Macintosh. We started with six Explorers, all ex-scouts that had just turned 14 years old. Since then we have added another three members, two ex-scouts and 1 new member.

Since last September we have taken part in the following activities : District Dodgeball competition, Trampolining, Swimming Badge, Crate Building, Grass Karting at Bonaly, Fire Lighting, First Aid at The Royal Victoria Hospital.

In July this year there are two Summer Camps on offer, one to the Netherlands with Explorers Scouts in another District, and the other to Killin with the Scouts.

As a new Explorer Unit we successfully applied for a £1000 start up grant and are now using it to update our camping equipment in time for Summer Camp.

*Stuart*

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond (Edinburgh) Scout Group**

I report on the financial statements of the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond (Edinburgh) Scout Group ("The Group") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015 which are set out on pages 6 to 7.

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner**

The Group's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The Group's Trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) 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 Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Group 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**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:-

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect, the requirement
  - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with the section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
  - (b) to prepare accounts which agree with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulationshave not been met, or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michael G Cockburn FCIBS  
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Bankers in Scotland  
9 Carfrae Road Blackhall Edinburgh EH4 3SD

Signature:

Name:

Date:

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	Note	2015 £	2014 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>			
Group Activities			
Hire of Scout Hall		4424.85	4182.61
Camp income		nil	58.00
Subscriptions		1043.50	823.90
Community payback		500.00	nil
Voluntary Income			
Donations		790.00	nil
Fundraising Activities	3	nil	943.35
Investment Income			
Bank interest		nil	nil
<b>Total receipts</b>		<u>6758.35</u>	<u>6008.86</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
Group Activities			
Scout Hall costs	4	1,923.60	1988.20
Insurance		1,043.28	1,307.69
Equipment purchase and maintenance		362.49	nil
Subscriptions		1,402.50	1,823.00
Camp Expenses		1,385.27	48.00
Donations		nil	nil
Uniforms		435.75	nil
Training		20.00	50.00
Miscellaneous expenses		290.08	108.95
		<u>6,862.97</u>	<u>5,325.84</u>
Surplus for year		<u>(104.62)</u>	<u>683.02</u>
<b>Cash and Bank Balances (Unrestricted)</b>			
Balance brought forward at 31 March		1,483.06	800.04
Surplus for year		(104.62)	683.02
		<u>1,378.44</u>	<u>1,483.06</u>
Represented by:			
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,378.44</u>	<u>1483.06</u>

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	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>1 Funds</b>		
The maintains a single undesignated fund for all its financial transactions, however, the executive agreed to use the donation made by Granton United Church to provide financial support withscout capitation fees and/or camp, as necessary, for financially disadvantaged children.		
<b>2 Trustees Remuneration and Expenses</b>		
The Trustees did not receive any remuneration during the year (2014/15: Nil)		
<b>3 Fundraising</b>		
Bag packing	nil	943.35
	<u>nil</u>	<u>943.35</u>
<b>4 Scout Hall Costs</b>		
Heat and light	660.00	776.00
Ground rent	250.00	250.00
Water rates	600.00	639.00
Maintenance	413.60	323.20
	<u>1,923.60</u>	<u>1988.20</u>
<b>5 Bad Debts</b>		
Unpaid invoices written off in the period	104.00	nil
	<u>104.00</u>	<u>nil</u>

**Reserves Policy**

The Trustees believe that around three months of annual expenditure is an appropriate level of reserves in order to cover the timing differences between receipts & payments and to allow for any unexpected items of expenditure on the Scout Hall.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and signed on behalf of all trustees by:

Andrew Dean  
 Group Chairman

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The Group owns the Scout Hall at 81 Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh EH5 2PW. The title is held in the names of the South East Scotland Regional Scout Council office bearers, on behalf of the group. The title deeds are held in safe keeping at Scott Rae, Regional legal adviser, of Morton Fraser.

The land on which the Scout Hall is situated is leased from “The City of Edinburgh Council” under a 25 year lease commencing April 1993. The current Ground Rent is £250 per annum with the next rent review due to take place in April 2018.

The Group owns a Zodiac Rib and 25Hp outboard, this was purchased in 2004 by means of a grant of £4850 from the National Lottery.

The Group owns 3 sailing Toppers, which were purchased second hand in 1994.

The Group owns a quantity of camping, boating and other sports equipment, which has been acquired over a number of years.

**Liabilities**

The Group has no other material liabilities or obligations.

The Notes on page 7 form an integral part of these accounts.

Approved by the Group Executive Committee on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

Andrew Dean  
Chairman

Anna Hamilton  
Treasurer

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Appendix A

Triplicate Minute of Agreement and Lease between the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the City of Edinburgh (**Landlords**) and the Trustees for the Royston Boys Club (**Tenants**) and the Trustees for Edinburgh and Leith County Scout Council of the Boy Scouts Association (Subjects: Ground at Royston Mains Gardens, Edinburgh), dated 4, 26, 29, 30 May, 14 & 16 June 1939.

Copy Minute of Lease between the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the City of Edinburgh (**Landlords**) and the Trustees for the City of Edinburgh and Leith County Scout Council of the Boy Scouts Association (**Tenants**) (Subjects: Land at Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh), dated 7 September 1976;

Minute of Extension of Lease between the City of Edinburgh District Council (**Landlord**) and the Trustees of the City of Edinburgh Area Scout Council of the Scout Association (**Tenants**) (Subjects: 0.2475 acres at Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh), dated 7 & 17 September 1976;

1 Extract Registered Minute of Lease between the City of Edinburgh District Council (**Landlord**) and the Trustees for the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond Scout Group (**Tenants**) (Subjects: Area of ground at 81 Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh), dated 16, 20 March & 22 April 1993, recorded in the General Register of Sasines for the County of Midlothian on 5 May 1993;

Draft Minute of Lease between the City of Edinburgh District Council (**Landlord**) and the Trustees for the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond Scout Group (**Tenants**) (Subjects: Area of ground at 81 Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh), dated 1993;

2 Minute of Renunciation of Lease by the Trustees of City of Edinburgh Area Scout Council in favour of the City of Edinburgh Council (Lease of 0.2475 acres at 81 Boswell Parkway, Edinburgh, dated 16 & 20 March 1993;

Minute of Lease between the City of Edinburgh District Council and the Trustees for the 87<sup>th</sup> Craigalmond Scout Group (Subjects: Area of ground at 81 Boswall Parkway, Edinburgh), dated 16 & 20 March 1993 and 22 April 1993.