

# Scouts



## 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton Scout Group

### GROUP AGM

We are holding our Presentation Awards night incorporating our Annual General Meeting on Thursday 23rd May, meeting at 6.45 for a start at 7pm. All parents, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and volunteers are invited to join us and reflect on some brilliant moments from the year.

Help is always required, and you can volunteer on a flexible basis to suit. If you want to put your skills to use and contribute in any way to a support role in any section (or as a trustee), please let a leader know before or on the night.

The 5th Skipton Trustee board does require a treasurer, so if you or someone you know is able to help us fill this role, please let us know. The trustee meetings run about once a term, so 3 meetings a year, plus the AGM.



### St Georges Day Parade

This years parade was held on Sunday the 21st April. Many thanks to the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Leaders and helpers from our group who attended with the other 4 groups in the district. The district was led by the Kildwick & Farnhill Scout Band, marching through the town, from the Dump to the Parish Church.

The service was organised by Embsay & Eastby Scout Group, including readings, prayers and even a dragon made up of a long line of squirrel scouts. The service ended with each member from every section renewing their Promise.



Thanks to Gareth Siddons for allowing us to use his images.

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### GSL REPORT

Hi, another round up of the past, present & future events for the Beaver, Cubs and Scout Sections.

Again many thanks to the leaders & parent helpers, for their help in all sections over the past month. It has been great watching the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts enjoying themselves and also learning new skills.

I reported last month that James Metcalf has applied to be the new Cub Scout leader at the 5<sup>th</sup> and I can now add that Jackie Eeles has applied to be an assistant Cub Scout leader. Jackie was previously a leader in cubs so her experience will be welcomed.

This is great news, but we are still looking for leaders for all sections, to give us strength in depth, so if anyone wants to be a leader or knows anyone who may be interested, please let me know.

Another reminder from Catherine, can all parents, please keep checking their messages on OSM for the next term as they will be outside as much as possible and parent help will be required. Please reply ASAP, as that will help her in planning and running events.

## Cubs



The cub pack had another evening on mapping this time out in Skipton drawing various points of interest on their maps.

They have also been working on team work as well as challenge badges.

They also had a fun night in trying their hand at archery and team single finger levitation.

## Beavers



The Beavers have also been out and about in Skipton having a walk up the High Street, adding details to their sketch maps.

The Beavers enjoyed a night of activities based around St George's Day.

They also tried their skills at archery and also jousting using space hoppers.

## Some future events

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May is the Craven 30 hike, a district event for the Scouts.

17<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024, is the Scout Camp at Play Away, Eshton Grange. They will be building a scout camp, erecting tents, shelters, and trying outdoor cooking. They will all be sleeping indoors in the bunk rooms.

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June, we are having a float in the Skipton Gala. Our theme is Scouting at 5<sup>th</sup> Skipton, and we need help setting the up the float on the day, as well as Beavers, Cubs and Scouts on the float and walking with the parade. Further details of timings will be sent out later.

Other events include evenings out playing wide games, pitching tents, conservation and global issues of endangered animals, shortage of water in some countries and learning how to safely use a knife and Kelly kettles.

As always, more details will be posted on OSM nearer the date of the events. Can all parents, please keep checking their messages for next term. Please reply when requested, as that will help in planning and running the events.

**Scouts** The scouts have had a planning night for their camp. They have been making bags to hold their crockery and cutlery, by using sewing machines, under the watching eyes of parent volunteers. They have also been planning their menu for the weekend, which was a challenge due to their differing tastes. And they have even been learning how to change a tyre just in case.

