

# Scouts

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

### Group investitures of Beaver & Cub Leaders

This term commenced with the investitures of Chris Wray as an Assistant Beaver Scout Leader, with the group flag for his investiture being held by his children Edward & Bertie. James Metcalf was also invested as the Cub Scout Leader.



### A Group event

In Early September the Cubs and Scouts set off on a sponsored hike from Bog Lane, up to the top of Sharp Haw, and then dropped down into Gargrave for lunch where they were joined by the Beavers and some parents to walk on the canal back to Skipton with refreshments supplied for all at the Dump.



A breather on route to Malham

As part of this hike a group of 6 scouts Alice, John, Daniel, James, Bradley & Edward walked the same route for day one of their expedition challenge, after which they prepared their evening meal and slept overnight at the Dump. On Sunday, after cooking breakfast, they caught the train from Skipton to Gargrave, before hiking to Malham. They walked a total of 17.2 miles

### GSL REPORT

Welcome to this month's newsletter for the Autumn term.

During the summer months leaders met to plan each of the section programmes, and these have been posted on OSM.

Whilst I'm mentioning OSM, can I ask all parents/guardians to please update all your child's records, especially their medical records and emergency contacts so that they are available, just in case.

It's a pleasure for me to attend the section meetings to see the interesting & varied programme that the leaders are providing. Recently, due to leaders' commitments, I ran the scout section meeting doing pioneering lashings and what a thoroughly enjoyable night it was for all.

I have just had to provide a mid-year update on the numbers in the group to County. We now have 59 youth members (up 20% on the numbers in January), with more waiting to join. All this is down to the commitment of the leaders & backroom helpers. Our leadership team is increasing too but we still need more. Alongside the leaders we have Sophie a District Explorer helping at Beavers and Will an old scout who is helping at Cubs as part of his D of E.

Although leader numbers are increasing, we still need a few more leaders, so if you or anyone you know wants to come and join us at the 5<sup>th</sup>, then please let me know.

Gary Sorsby - GSL

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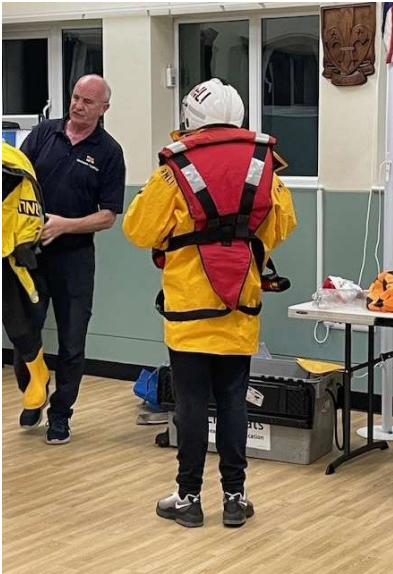
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## Cubs



The cub pack had a very interesting evening talk about water safety from Martin a member of the RNLi, where they learned how to call for emergency services on land and at the seaside. They also got chance to practice rescuing a fellow cub as well as wearing RNLi equipment.  
May I welcome Daniel, Amber, Ethan and Eden-Rae who have been invested into the Cub Section.

## Beavers

The Beavers continued to put the OUT into SCOUTING by going to Gargrave for a spot of river dipping. Some got a little bit soggy by the end, but that's the fun of scouting.



May I welcome Taiga, Ray, Jacob, Sami & Marty, who were all invested into the Beaver Section.



## Scouts

The scouts have been in and out this term, including a photo treasure hunt round Skipton. They had an evening out leaning how to use our new walkie talkies.

They had an evening in learning how to do Square, Diagonal & Lineal flashings and the dreaded fraping & clove hitch too.

They too had an evening listening to Martin from the RNLi learning amongst other things about 999 & 112 emergency numbers.

A team of scouts entered the Manchester Monopoly Run, a full day walking and riding round Manchester looking for clues

May I welcome Matheo, Nate, James and Max who have been invested into the Scout Section.



Join the fun & support the longest running Group Gang Show in the country

## 81st Gang Show

Fri 22nd & Sat 23rd Nov 2024

In the Glusburn Institute

Adults/Leaders £7.00 Youth members £5.00

Doors open 6.45pm Commence 7.15pm

Please support us & bring along your Beavers, Cubs & Scouts

To book tickets please email [1stkandfscouts@gmail.com](mailto:1stkandfscouts@gmail.com)



Please use the following email to book tickets -

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Seats will be reserved, and tickets left on the door for you.

## Some future events - Please see OSM for further details

Christmas camp 6<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup> December at Curley Hill, Ilkley. A joint event for Cubs & Scouts sleeping over in inside accommodation.

Beaver sleepover is on the 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> October at the dump

Remembrance Day Parade 10<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Meet 10am Parents invited

District Christmas Carol Service Wednesday evening 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 for all sections and parents. Further details later.

Next year the group will be 110-years-old. Please see the OSM message about designing a badge to mark the event. Entries close 28<sup>th</sup> November