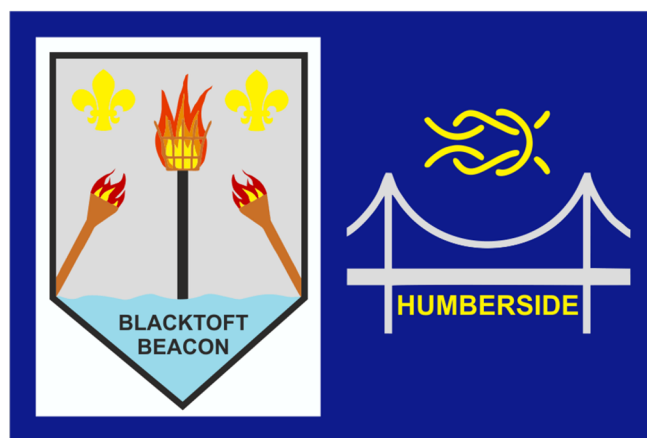


JUST LOOK AT WHAT WE'VE ACHIEVED TOGETHER...

Blacktoft Beacon District Scout Council Annual Report
for 11th June 2015 to 14th July 2016 and Financial
Review for the period ending 31st March 2016



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'We challenge our members to experience fun, friendship and everyday adventure to help them reach their potential and have a positive impact on society'

WELCOME

A word from the District Chairman, Scott Millard

I am sure the gap between AGMs gets smaller every year, as it seems like only a few weeks ago that I was writing the introduction to last years AGM report. The fourth Blacktoft Beacon Scout District AGM is once again a time to reflect upon the successes and challenges of the past year, as well as looking to the future. The report shows how the District continues to grow and offer new experiences, development and enjoyment to all areas of our membership.

Once again, the St George's Day event at Beverley Racecourse in April was a highlight and a great day. It was an opportunity to see many of our groups gathered together and sharing in fellowship, this year with some of the City of Hull District groups.

Over the past year, the District website has established itself as a key tool, used by many of our membership. The site is something of a benchmark and is used by Scouters far outside the borders of our District. Maintaining the pages on the site requires a lot of time and skill, and this is very much appreciated by the District team and the site users.

Our District Campsite, Tablers Wood, continues to develop through the hard work and commitment of a relatively small team. Sadly there are members of our society that create additional challenges in running such a site. Despite such set-backs, our volunteers make this a great place for Scouting and external groups to enjoy and create lasting memories.

I would like to thank Linda and all of the leaders that allow our District to provide direction, purpose and fun to so many young people in our communities.

DISTRICT GROWTH

2016 Census Figures

Name	Beavers	Cubs	Scouts	Explorers	Young People	Leaders	Total
Blacktoft Beacon				80	80	28	108
Anlaby (St Mark's)	14	19	16		49	12	61
Cottingham	32	41	28		101	12	113
Elloughton-Cum-Brough	24	29	33		86	15	101
Ferriby and Swanland	22	46	26		94	11	105
Gilberdyke (St Stephen's)	19	7	9		35	8	43
1st Goole	19	23	11		53	10	63
Hessle	24	59	23		106	22	128
1st Hook	8	7	10		25	4	29
1st Howden - St Peter's	12	27	21		60	8	68
2nd Kirkella (St Andrews)	57	58	32		147	25	172
1st Snaith	26	39	32		97	15	112
South Cave	19	20	21		60	19	79
Willerby	21	23	21		65	9	74

It is amazing to see another year of growth within Blacktoft Beacon! We have had a **9% increase** in the number of Young People and a **7% increase** in the number of Adults. The Explorer section alone has seen an **increase of 18%** from last year.

"I am super proud to see so many young people and adults learning new life skills and achieving personal rewards through Scouting in Blacktoft Beacon District. I am excited to see Scout numbers continue to rise across the UK and the big reasons for this are that more and more young people are realising that Scouting can give them so much - whether it's the opportunity to be involved with some incredible adventures, learn practical life, outdoor and team work skills or helping to improve their local communities. People don't want to miss out and Scouting brings them all together, empowers them and allows them to make a positive impact."

Chief Scout Bear Grylls

ROLL OF HONOUR

Silver Wolf

Linda Thelwell	DC	Blacktoft Beacon
Frank Cook	SAS Member	Blacktoft Beacon

The Award of Merit

Nigel Kemp	ACSL & AESL	Cottingham
Allan Moore	CSL	Snaith

Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service

Chris Whiteley	SL	Hook
	Campsite Warden	Tablers Wood
Craig Whiteley	GSL	Goole
Margaret Carey	ACSL	Hessle
Paul Daniel	GSL	Hessle
Sue Howson	ESL	Snaith ESU

Chief Scout's Commendation for Meritorious Conduct

Ellis Marsters	Scout	Hessle
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Ellis was nominated for his award by his Cub Leader after putting his first response training to use when he witnessed a motorcycle accident. After calling for an ambulance and whilst liaising with the emergency services, he comforted and reassured both the rider and his son, before guiding paramedics to the only set of open gates at the playing fields.

DISTRICT ACHIEVEMENTS

Linda Thewell, District Commissioner

This last year has been a hugely successful and exciting year for Blacktoft Beacon District. As always we have faced some challenges, mainly around the managing of our adults but we have strived to control and deal with all of these.

With the refreshed programme bedded in around our District it was incredibly encouraging to record another increase in our membership, through all youth sections as well as leaders. Many of our young people have achieved the top awards within their sections and have had great fun in working towards them. The District congratulates them all along with any of our adults and leaders who have continued their own self development and worked towards completing their training requirements.

To help with the continued development of Blacktoft Beacon I invited Rachael Macadam to take up the position of Deputy District Commissioner and was delighted when, after giving the matter some thought, Rachael accepted. She has approached the role with a fresh and young outlook which is great. To mention all the things she has got involved with so far would just take too long but I will highlight; her work on Youth Shaped Scouting, programme support which includes holding District sectional leaders meetings, organising and running District events and making sure the communication through our website, Twitter and Facebook is carried out in a timely fashion. If any of you feel you do not know what is going on within the District can I perhaps suggest you are not signed up for, or reading your weekly newsletters? I would also like to thank Josh Railton, GSL at Ferriby & Swanland for the work he is continually carrying out on our website, to keep it relevant and easy to navigate.

Brad Cowley has continued to lead our Network as the District Scout Network Commissioner, with their numbers growing. They have held a full programme of events whilst helping on our Wolds Challenge and Fells Marathon events, St George's Activity Day event and District Camp Craft competition.

Shaun Wilson took on the role of District Explorer Scout Commissioner just over a year ago and is making a fantastic difference to the support offered to this age range. He has organised regular District Explorer Scout Leader meetings which provides a platform to share programme ideas and events whilst facilitating a closer

working relationship between the District Explorer Scout Units. Our existing Units are going from strength to strength. We also now have two new Explorer Scout Units with partnership agreements with Goole Group and Snaith Group. Both units are growing at an amazing rate which has to be due to the exciting programmes being delivered. Shaun now has an assistant, Lucy Carne, who has taken on the role District ESL Young Leader Section. This has enabled us to deliver Module A Young Leader training within the District and we hope to expand on this over the coming months.

The District continues to run many District events and I would like to thank all those leaders, Exec members and Scout Active Support members who help with the organisation, without you these events would not be possible. We have held Sleepovers at the Deep, Cub and Scout Camp Craft competitions, YouShape events, Golden Fleece, Wolds Challenge and Fells Marathon and our annual St George's Activity Day event which this year we were delighted to be joined by our Scouting friends from City of Hull District. Along with our sections running their own events and supporting our District events they have represented us at many County and National events which include Cub Centenary camps at Raywell and Gilwell, Scout Winter camp at Gilwell and Hawkshirst, Gilwell 24, training camps for our contingent attending the Finjamboree and the list goes on!

The District Friendship Challenge award is won this year by 1st Snaith Scout Group. They have sent me notification of more joint events than any other group, ranging from District to County camps. Well done to all involved.

Tablers Wood campsite is now under a new management committee who are working hard to make the site enjoyable for all of us. They have completed a huge amount of general clearance and tidying and I think the site is looking great for camping and back to basics such as cooking on open fires. Help is always needed and I know Chris Whiteley, campsite warden will be putting out dates in the near future for a working weekend. You know what they say about many hands, well it would be great if you could come and help. Also if any Explorer Scouts or Network members wish to come they can use it towards the service part of their awards, and they would be most welcome.

The District is run by a fantastic team who all contribute. I would like to mention here John Jobling, our District Treasurer, Barbara Simpson, our District Badge Secretary, Joy Milestone our District Appointments Secretary, Freddy Preston Chair of our District Appointments Committee and Audrey Harris our Local Training Manager who all keep us on our toes and make sure things 'happen'.

I would like to thank all parents for supporting us and allowing us to borrow your family members on a regular basis. To the young people, a big thank you for turning up and having fun. It is you that make it worthwhile.

Goals to achieve in the next year

- Termly GSL and District Leaders meetings to support our GSLs and Group Managers.
- At least 1 Sectional Leaders meeting per section to allow our adults to share good practise.
- District activities to be organised and run to support our programme.
- Grow our membership and reduce our want-to-join lists.
- All groups to have Beaver, Cub, and Scout provision with a GSL in place to manage the Group.
- Each Group to have a Training Adviser who will be responsible for making sure our Wood Badge training is on track, PLPs are in place for all new leaders and that First Aid, Safety and Safeguarding is up to date for all leaders.
- Continue to develop Tablers Wood, our District Campsite.
- Continue with our District Friendship Award.

VISION 2018

What Scouting will achieve by 2018

Scouting in 2018 will make a positive impact in our communities; prepare young people to be active citizens; embrace and contribute to social change. It will be shaped by young people in partnership with adults; enjoyed by more young people and adult volunteers and be as diverse as the communities in which we live. It has four key strands:

Growth: By 2018 we will have 500,000 young people supported by 150,000 volunteers. In the District this will mean ensuring all groups have at least three active sections.

Inclusivity: By 2018 Scouting will be present in some of the most deprived parts of the UK, it will continue to welcome members from all walks of life and be seen as an open organisation by the general public. Groups should aim to have at least four girls per section, whilst the District will recruit and retain leaders from diverse backgrounds.

Youth Shaped: By 2018 the majority of young people will be able to shape their Scouting experience in partnership with adults. At both Group and District level we can ensure that young people's opinions are heard and acted upon through Youth Forums and appropriate roles on Executive Committees.

Community Impact: By 2018 70% of the public will see Scouting as 'relevant to modern society' through 8,000 community impact projects per year. Let the District team know about any projects you are involved with and make sure you shout about them in the media!



DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Members of the District Executive Commitee

Ex Officio:

Linda Thelwell (District Commissioner)
Scott Millard (Chairman)
Steve Howarth (Secretary)
John Jobling (Treasurer)
Bradley Cowley (District Scout Network Commissioner)
Shaun Wilson (District Explorer Scout Commissioner)

Elected Members:

Jo Cook, Pam Bell, Barbara Simpson, Audrey Harris and Freddy Preston

Nominated Members:

Josh Railton, Matt Smith, Paul Daniel, Rachael Macadam and Arthur Harrison

Co-opted Members:

Jayne Bell, Chris Whiteley, Joy Milestone, Frank Cook and David Broughton

Vice-Presidents:

Andy Eavis and Christian Carver

Independent Examiner

Alastair Connell, 262 Beverley Road, Anlaby, East Yorkshire HU10 7BG

Bankers

HSBC Bank PLC, Hessle Merit House, Hull

DISTRICT CONSTITUTION

The District Scout Council

The District Scout Council is the electoral body, which supports Scouting in the District. It is the body to which the District Executive Committee is accountable.

The District Executive Committee

The District Executive Committee exists to support the District Commissioner in meeting the responsibilities of the appointment and to provide support for Scout Groups, Explorer Scout Units and any District Scout Network in the District.

The Structure of Blacktoft Beacon District Executive Committee

Ex-officio	Elected Members	Nominated Members	Co-opts
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The District Chairman• The District Commissioner• The District Secretary• The District Treasurer• The District Scout Network Leader• The District Explorer Scout Commissioner	5 persons elected at the District Annual General Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Persons nominated by the District Commissioner• The nominations must be approved at the District Annual General Meeting• Persons nominated need not be members of the District Scout Council and their number must not exceed that of the elected members	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Persons co-opted annually by the District Executive Committee• The number of co-opted members must not exceed the number of members who may be elected

A Quorum

For a trustees' meeting there will be a minimum of one-third of the total number of charity trustees plus one.

Right of Attendance

The County Commissioner and the County Chairman have the right of attendance at meetings of the District Executive Committee.

Sub-Committees

The Committee will utilise sub-committees to deliver informed proposals to the Executive. The District Commissioner and the District Chairman will be ex-officio members of any sub-committee of the District Executive Committee.

Any sub-committee will have at least one member of the Executive committee within it. They will attend the District Executive for reporting purposes. The sub-committees will exist as:

Tablers Wood Management Committee

District Appointment Advisory Group

District Finance Sub Committee

Adult Training Development Group

District Explorer Scout Finance and Operations Group

District Network Finance and Operations Group

Any further as deemed necessary by the District Executive

Meeting Structures

The District Scout Council will have a remit to hold an AGM once a year

The District Executive Committee will have a remit to look at the business and operational matters of the District. The District Executive will meet a minimum of four times in a year.

The District Leaders meeting will have a remit to look at programme, activities, Sectional and Group support issues. It will be chaired by the DC. Those with right of attendance are District Scout Active Support Managers, District Scout Network Leader, the Explorer Scout Commissioner, all Assistant District Commissioners, District Scouters, District Chair, any other District appointees, Group Scout Leaders, Group contacts and Leaders who the Group Scout Leader or Group contact feel would add positive input to the meeting's agenda. The District Leaders meeting will meet a minimum of three times a year.

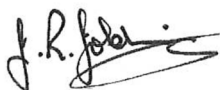
The District meeting will have a remit to feedback the outcomes from the Executive and District Leaders meeting to all Groups and Units within Blacktoft Beacon District. Those with right of attendance are the Scout Active Support members, Scout Network members, the Explorer Scout Leaders, GSLs, Group Managers, District Chair and any other District appointees. The District meeting will meet a minimum of once a year and this will usually take the form of an AGM.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

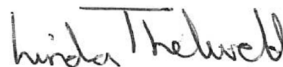
BLACKTOFT BEACON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST MARCH 2016

	2016 £	2015 £
CURRENT ASSETS		
Stock of badges	2489.50	2942.50
Building Society Investment	136.00	136.00
Cash at bank and in hand	42735.24	29206.68
	<u>£45,360.74</u>	<u>£32,285.18</u>
GENERAL PURPOSE ACCOUNT		
Balance brought forward	17093.17	15369.71
Surplus(-deficit) for year	1329.01	1723.46
	<u>18422.18</u>	<u>17093.17</u>
JAMBOREE FUND		
Balance brought forward	4620.58	5620.58
Surplus(-deficit) for year	110.00	-1000.00
	<u>4730.58</u>	<u>4620.58</u>
SCOUT BADGE FUND		
Balance brought forward	5841.04	5054.43
Surplus(-deficit) for year	87.26	786.61
	<u>5928.30</u>	<u>5841.04</u>
ACTIVE SUPPORT UNIT		
Balance brought forward	355.40	395.15
Surplus(-deficit) for year	-49.79	-39.75
	<u>305.61</u>	<u>355.40</u>
TABLERS WOOD		
Balance brought forward	4374.99	1311.57
Surplus(-deficit) for year	-63.28	3063.42
	<u>4311.71</u>	<u>4374.99</u>
SKIDBY ACCOUNT		
Funds Transferred	10118.94	
Surplus(-deficit) for year	-1782.51	
	<u>8336.43</u>	
FELLS ACCOUNT		
Funds Transferred	4529.26	
Surplus(-deficit) for year	-1203.33	
	<u>3325.93</u>	
	<u>£ 45,360.74</u>	<u>£ 32,285.18</u>



Treasurer



District Commissioner

Report of the Auditor to the members of the Blacktoft Beacon District Scout Council.

The above Balance Sheet and the attached Income and Expenditure Accounts have been prepared from the records and information supplied by the Blacktoft Beacon District Scout Council and are in accordance therewith.


A.M. Connell

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BLACKTOFT BEACON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016

GENERAL PURPOSE ACCOUNT

INCOME	2016 £	2015 £
District levy	1042.30	2234.50
Building society dividend	16.29	14.15
Refund of capitation (County)	1157.00	1153.00
Willerby Group Loan Repayment	1600.00	1600.00
Use of Tablers Wood (Donation)	0.00	38.00
Bank Interest	58.67	0.00
Cub/Beaver Section net income	100.43	0.00
St Georges Day	823.50	1025.40
	<u>4798.19</u>	<u>6065.05</u>
EXPENDITURE		
County Capitation	0.00	177.00
Mileage	20.15	145.24
Insurance	41.06	0.00
Postage	111.20	199.36
Stationery	103.24	314.05
AGM Expenses	208.56	241.00
Refreshments	0.00	48.45
St Georges Day Expenses	1785.59	802.37
Friendship Challenge	50.00	50.00
Training	58.15	50.00
Hall Hire	200.00	368.00
Equipment	358.97	1160.22
Video Licence	305.54	296.64
Sundry Expenses	73.50	157.28
Scout Section net cost	153.22	44.00
Cub/Beaver Section net cost	0.00	287.98
	<u>3469.18</u>	<u>4341.59</u>
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	<u>£ 1,329.01</u>	<u>£ 1,723.46</u>

DISTRICT LEVY

Received from Groups	38124.30	36130.00
Remitted to County	35972.00	33895.50
Allocated to Jamboree Account	1110.00	0.00
	<u>37082.00</u>	<u>33895.50</u>
DISTRICT LEVY FOR YEAR	<u>1042.30</u>	<u>2234.50</u>

JAMBOREE ACCOUNT

INCOME		
District levy 2015	581.00	0.00
District levy 2016	529.00	0.00
	<u>1110.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Donations	1000.00	1000.00
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	<u>£ 110.00</u>	<u>-£ 1,000.00</u>

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BLACKTOFT BEACON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016

BLACKTOFT BEACON BADGE ACCOUNT

	2016 £	2015 £
Sale of Badges	4843.54	4352.61
Cost of sales	4679.89	3481.28
Gross profit (-loss)	163.65	871.33
Postage	59.40	74.72
Stationery	16.99	0.00
Bank Charges	0.00	10.00
	76.39	84.72
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	£87.26	£786.61

ACTIVE SUPPORT UNIT

Interest Received	0.21	0.25
Social Evening	0.00	40.00
Donation	50.00	0.00
SURPLUS (-Defidit) FOR YEAR	-£49.79	-£39.75

TABLERS WOOD

INCOME		
Lettings	4347.80	3605.43
Donations	0.00	3141.38
	4347.80	6746.81
EXPENDITURE		
Site Expenses		
Sewerage	1320.00	336.00
Water Rates	380.00	262.00
Electricity	760.03	867.79
Cleaning Materials	0.00	71.67
Site Insurance	370.06	364.17
Repairs Renewals	1498.35	1503.04
Sundries	82.64	78.72
Grass Cutting	0.00	200.00
	4411.08	3683.39
Equipment (container)		
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4411.08	3683.39
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	-£ 63.28	£3,063.42

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BLACKTOFT BEACON DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2016

	2016 £
SKIDBY ACCOUNT	
INCOME	0.00
EXPENDITURE	
Printing & Stationery	78.26
Uniform	80.10
Furniture & Fittings	485.00
Capitation	619.15
Beaver Set-up Costs	100.00
Room Hire	420.00
	<u>1782.51</u>
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	<u>-£1,782.51</u>
FELLS ACCOUNT	
INCOME	
Fells 2015	1916.31
Wolds 2016	1532.00
	<u>3448.31</u>
EXPENDITURE	
Fells 2015	
Centre Hire	800.00
Overnight Site	350.00
Food	327.47
Mini Bus	220.34
Stationery	188.60
Commemoration Buffs	1409.23
Website	83.72
Donations	600.00
Equipment	244.97
	<u>4224.33</u>
Wolds 2016	
Hall Hire	20.00
Badges	240.96
Food	121.25
Equipment	45.10
	<u>427.31</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	4651.64
SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	<u>-£1,203.33</u>

USEFUL CONTACTS

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Information about District events, training courses, meetings and anything else you could think of, is put on our website and distributed via the newsletters. Please ensure you are signed up to receive them or you could be missing out on vital information!

Badges are also sold through the website at competitive prices, with all profits going to support Scouting in Blacktoft Beacon.

**Thank you to all the young
people and leaders who have
made this year another fantastic
one for Blacktoft Beacon!**

