



CLEVELAND SCOUTS Invite you to their AGM 2025



6th June 2025 at 7.00pm
St Cuthberts Church Hall, Marton, Middlesbrough.

Guest speaker:-
Rylie Sweeney, Youth Board Member
For The Careers and Enterprise Company
Formalities will be followed by a Pie and Pea supper,
Bar and socialising

Volunteers Week

National Volunteers Week commences 2nd- 8th June. During this week the County AGM will be occurring (Further details to be shared shortly)

We are looking for nominations for a volunteer for 'unsung hero' awards. These could be those volunteers who have contributed to Scouting in the last 12 months and you would like to recognise them.

At the County AGM, we will then announce **10 winners** from across the County who will win a **£10 Costa voucher** to treat themselves to a well earned treat from us!

To nominate an adult member of Cleveland Scouts, email ClevelandscoutsCC@gmail.com with:

Your name and group/Unit

The nominees group/unit/district role.

Why they are an unsung hero in your eyes (No more than 100 words)



Deadline is Friday 30th May.



County Commissioner's Corner



World Scout Jamboree 2027

Applications open this month for Unit members for the World Scout Jamboree. Unit allocations have been announced and Cleveland will be allocated 1 Patrol consisting of 9 Young People and 1 adult leader. We will make up a Unit alongside Humberside Scouts

Applications for the adult leader for Cleveland will be collated nationally and then sent to the County International Lead (Kathryn Rose) for selection to be organised locally. If you would like to apply, look out for the information email being sent from HQ imminently. Applications close at the end of the month.



POLAND 2027

World Scout
26th Jamboree
Scout Mondial



Haarlem 2027

www.haarlemjamborette.nl

In order to increase our capacity to attend international events, we are looking at taking a contingent to Haarlem again as we did in 2023. Further information about this, alongside applications for both adult and youth members, will be released in the Summer. More information will be emailed to GLVs and advertised across our usual communication methods.



If you require a further chat or information about being a leader for either Poland or Haarlem, contact Kathryn on clevelandscoutsinternational@gmail.com



County Lead Volunteer Andy presenting Billingham Explorer team leader Faye Capes with her Kings Scout Award.

Many Congratulations Faye from the County and we hope that you enjoyed the Windsor Parade last month.



Andy



County Chair Frank Rose and Middlesbrough District Chair Les Bland pictured at Windsor with Scout Ambassador Tim Peeke. Frank and Les were both there as they had both been presented with the Silver Wolf award during the past year.



Many Congratulations from everyone in the County.



Ian's Bit's & Piece's



Summer Challenge for young people and volunteers.

Drum roll please!!

Here's the Summer 2025 Challenge. Make and decorate a Campfire Cake.

You can either do it in a weekly meeting, at a residential experience or at home.

Send a picture of your cake or the young person's cake to dccprogrammecs@gmail.com by August 31st.

After that we'll have a look at the cakes and invite you to attend the County's Summer Challenge Bake Off Final in the Autumn term.



Programme Idea:

Five years ago we were in lockdown and one of the favourite activities for the online sessions was armpit fudge! If you haven't done it recently have a go at it this summer!

Cut out of thin card our logo, one per small group, and tell them to go outside and lay it on the grass and look closely at what they can see.



Any Ideas ?

Came across this in an old Scouting magazine. Can anyone from 2nd Normanby or Redcar and Eston District shed any light on David.



Do You know

<p>NHS</p> <p>Do you know the difference between a heart attack and cardiac arrest?</p> 	<p>NHS</p> <p>Heart attack</p>  <p>The person will usually be conscious and may experience symptoms including chest pain, dizziness, and shortness of breath.</p> <p>If you think someone is having a heart attack, call 999 immediately.</p>	<p>NHS</p> <p>Cardiac arrest</p>  <p>The person will be unconscious and not breathing, or not breathing normally. The faster you act, the better their chances of survival.</p> <p>If you think someone is having a cardiac arrest, call 999 and start CPR immediately.</p>
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Gilwell Reunion



The annual Gilwell Reunion takes place on the last weekend in August at Gilwell Park. Those that have been before will know what a great event it is, with bases, exhibitions, programme ideas, entertainment and food!

If you haven't been before why don't you think about it. You might see one or two familiar faces around promoting Raven Gill!

Weekend tickets

£55.00 for general admission with arrival on the Friday and including camping.

£49.50 for over 65s and members of Scout Network.

Saturday only ticket

£34.50 general admission

£30.50 for over 65s and members of Scout Network.

Catering

Make your day hassle-free and book your meals in our Adventure Kitchen!

Lunch and Breakfast £8

Dinner £12

For best value for money this year why not consider our catering package? All meals from Friday Dinner – Sunday Lunch for £50.

HQ Zoom Meetings

<p>Risk Management for Trustee Boards</p> <p>Thursday 22 May 2025 Tuesday 11 November 2025</p> <p>7.30pm – 8:30pm</p> <p>Online, Zoom</p>	<p>How to be a great Trustee Board</p> <p>Wednesday 11 June 2025 Wednesday 15 October 2025</p> <p>7.30pm – 8:30pm</p> <p>Online, Zoom</p>	<p>Running a good AGM</p> <p>Wednesday 19 March 2025 Tuesday 6 May 2025 Tuesday 24 June 2025</p> <p>7.30pm – 8:30pm</p> <p>Online, Zoom</p>
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Raven Gill Update

So while the site has been quiet over the winter period some very big changes have taken place at Raven Gill. A very long over due total refurbishment of the toilets at the Centenary Centre end of the site.

It's been a complex task as you will see, which started in December working in every weather condition known to man! Storms ,gales , temperatures below zero to name a few.

From first erecting temporary toilets , to demolishing walls and moving tonnes of rubble to then utilising hundreds of meters of timber , to lifting in over a ton of toilet/ shower cubicles.

Much of the waste removed from the building is or has been recycled / repurposed to make the project as sustainable and cost effective as possible.

We have finally got to the point of just needing a few bits to be delivered this week and they will soon completed and ready for use.

Both the Men's and Ladies now have 4 toilets and 3 showers in each along with sinks in a vanity unit .

All done by our great team of volunteers.

Hope you enjoy the new facilities .

Not long now!!



Raven Gill Guests

..... **We need your help!**

Waste disposal from the site currently costs **£6,000 per year.**

The only facility available to the site is the "mixed waste" skip in the car park. Due to the geographical location of Commondale and the local capacity of North Yorks Council for waste disposal, we have no other alternative for recycling or general waste.

Can you help please?

If you are able to collect recycling and general waste and take it home with you (or burn it if appropriate), it would be much appreciated and allow us to spend the money on development of the site for you.

The mixed waste skip will remain if you cannot take it home

Youth Forum

Theo Nicholson Report of the UK Scouts Youth Forum

In early April, I had the incredible opportunity to attend the UK Scouts Youth Forum at Edinburgh Zoo! Only 500 young people from across the entire UK were chosen to take part, with just **six** representatives from each County. I felt proud and honored to be one of them

The weekend was all about giving young people a voice in shaping the future of Scouting—for now and for generations to come.



One of the best parts was meeting so many Scouts. Everyone had their own unique take on Scouting, and hearing all those perspectives was inspiring. We took part in lots of workshops, each focused on different parts of our Scouting. Our groups rotated through them, sharing ideas, getting creative, and sparking conversations about change.

We stayed at the 150th Craigmmond Scout Hut, just a short five-minute walk from the zoo. On Sunday, before heading home, we explored Edinburgh. We visited the castle, walked past the Scottish Parliament and checked out the science museum. Then we had free time to shop and soak up the atmosphere on the Royal Mile!

We travelled there and back in the Middlesbrough District minibus, which took about four hours each way.

The highlight? Definitely being surrounded by like-minded friends, contributing real ideas, and knowing that what we shared could actually help shape the future of Scouting. It was exciting, inspiring, and something I'll never forget—and maybe one day, I'll run nights based on the very ideas we came up with!

By Theo Nicholson

The Cleveland delegation are off on their way to Edinburgh to represent the County in the National Youth Forum!



Around the County

44th Middlesbrough

Cubs and scout started their emergency aid badge tonight. We had rather a lot of giggly unconscious patients and some rough first aiders but everyone tried very hard.



Great team building tonight, boys team and girls team. Who can build the highest tower? What a brilliant effort from everyone including a little help from the leaders. Been the cubs had a team going ! Bravo everyone!!!!



Synthonia Scout Group

A little reminder. We are still running our Boots exchange. From sizes 4 -8 Boots for growing young ones can get expensive so bring the old ones in and swap them.

All we ask is the boots you bring are in good condition and are clean. Thanks.



Stockton Thornaby

Well done to our winners of the District Cub Quiz yesterday and a big thank you to everyone who took part it was a fun afternoon special thanks to the leaders too 🏆



1st Norton on Tees Scout Group

Tonight we prepared for some camping. Pitching a tent, washing up, making a torch circuit and learning what to do in emergency first aid. Well done everyone.



Synthonia Scout Group

Mothers Day Afternoon Tea was another well attended event, we ended up serving around 70 Afternoon teas, thank you to all who attended today, we hope you enjoyed the food. I would like to thank all the volunteers who gave up so much time this weekend, especially those who could have been enjoying their mothers day, your an amazing team to work with.



Around the County

18th Hartlepool St Pauls Scout Group

Tonight the Scouts visited the planetarium at Wynyard woodland park. This was to complete their space badge. I think the leaders had just as much fun as the Scouts.



1st Skelton Scout Group

Ending Spring term the only way we know how with our Easter Egg competition!!! A massive well done to everyone for their hard work it was a tough choice for the judges. Have a lovely Easter 🐣



44th Middlesbrough Scout Group

My favourite part of camp.... Campfire, marshmallows and smores 🔥



THE APPRECIATIVE LEADER

- Sends hand written notes.
- Says THANK YOU.
- Praises publicly.
- Listens for feedback.
- Shows appreciation.
- Gives verbal praise.
- Praises efforts.
- Admires others.
- Values purpose.
- Pays tribute.
- Listens to understand.
- Approves good work.
- Recognizes hard work.
- Celebrates accomplishments.
- Provides acknowledgement.
- Listens with empathy.
- Shows compassion.
- Leads from within.



Around the County

East Cleveland District Scouts

Last night Redcar explorers celebrated their 1st birthday 🎂
 Along with 3 Platinum awards being presented!
 Well done to everyone



6th Redcar

This week Cubs visited Pets at Home as part of their Animal Carer badge. They learnt about how to look after animals, did a short quiz and enjoyed stroking the guinea pig.



1st Norton on Tees Scout Group

Our second visit to the police station tonight for the other half of the group.



Middlesbrough SASU

Middlesbrough SASU were entertained by the Northallerton Hand Bell Ringers



Around the County

Middlesbrough Fitya Scout Group

Middlesbrough Fitya Scout Group held an end of term party where food was eaten and presentations were made.



East Cleveland Scout District

Last night over 100 beavers from across the district came together for our District Easter walk. What a great turn out and a massive welcome to the Normanby colony!



18th Hartlepool Scout Group

Our Beavers had a fun-filled time at an activity afternoon with 90 Beavers and Squirrels from Tees Valley North District.

The afternoon began with everyone singing around the camp fire. 🎵

Then onto a carousel of activities:

🔥 Toasting marshmallows to make S'mores, 🏹 inflatable archery, 🐦 bird feeders, 🍎 fruit kebabs, 📖 tuck shop, 🏠 thumb & reef knot.

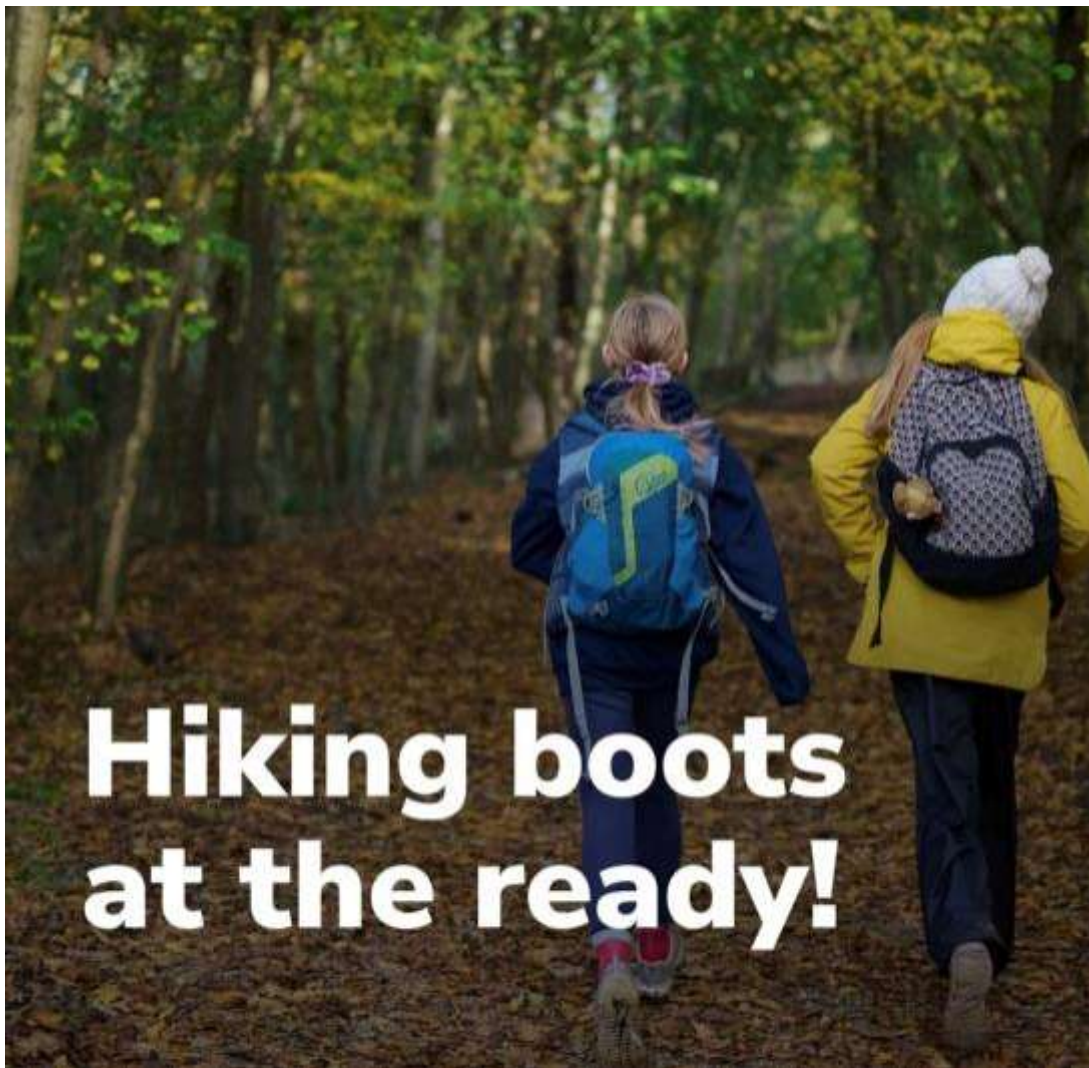
🔧 The beavers gained the Experiment Badge carrying out experiments: rockets, cornstarch goo, secret message, magnetic force and lemon volcanoes.

Thank you to all the leaders and volunteers for an amazing day.

1st Skelton Scout Group

An 'egg'cellent night tonight at beavers for our Easter egg decorating competition! A massive thank you to all the parents who attended. I think you'll agree that all the eggs look amazing! Well done to our winners and our overall winner, Baden! (Photos captured by another parent)





Hiking boots at the ready!

Why walk when you can hike?
Why sleep when you can camp?
Why follow when you can lead?
Why worry when you can dream?
Why stay still when you can go far?
Why fly when you can soar?
Why be alone when there's a team?
Why tomorrow when it can be today?
Why miss out when you can Scout?

**Do more.
Share more.
Be more.**



Thanks to James Lawson at 6th Norton for using ChatGPT to put together this graphic which could be used for recruiting more adults. Give it a go!



WATER ACTIVITIES WEEKEND

28TH - 29TH JUNE

£7.50 PER PERSON

TRY 3 ACTIVITIES DURING A 2 HOUR SESSION

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CANOEING | **BELL BOATING**

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