

This has been an incredible year for our Keir Troop, filled with exciting adventures and remarkable achievements.



Our troop has been actively engaged in various activities throughout the year, including a thrilling residential trip to Glasgow (with thanks to 29th and 159th Glasgow). We explored the beautiful parks of the city's southside, immersing ourselves in nature and discovering new landmarks. It was a memorable experience that allowed our Scouts to appreciate the outdoors and develop their sense of adventure.

Additionally, we are proud to announce that two of our Scouts achieved the prestigious Chief Scout's Gold Award, and a further 3 achieved their awards by the time of the writing of this report. This accomplishment is a testament to our Scouts' dedication, hard work, and commitment to personal development. They have demonstrated exceptional skills and leadership qualities, setting an inspiring example for their peers.

Braving the cold at a winter camp was another highlight of the year. Despite the chilly temperatures, our Scouts embraced the challenges and engaged in a range of outdoor activities. A true back-to-basics camp in patrol tents and cooking on open fires, they demonstrated resilience and determination throughout the camp.

Furthermore, our troop actively participated in group and district camps, joining forces with other sections at the Chief Scout's Challenge Camp and Gordon Gathering. These events fostered a sense of camaraderie and teamwork among our Scouts, allowing them to forge new friendships and collaborate on exciting projects.



Throughout the year, our Scouts also acquired a plethora of new skills. From learning essential Scout techniques like knots and lashings to gaining knowledge in emergency aid and shelter building, their repertoire of abilities expanded significantly. Additionally, they enjoyed engaging in various themed nights, taking part in activities away from our meeting place, and participating in events such as Ignite, Cally Rally, Blair Atholl Satellite, and the District-run hikes.

As we reflect on the past year, we express gratitude for our leadership team, who have worked tirelessly to deliver a balanced and varied programme for our young people. Many of our older Scouts are moving on to Explorers very soon and we look forward to seeing some new faces join the section. Looking ahead, we are excited about the upcoming year and the opportunities it holds for our Keir Troop. With a renewed sense of enthusiasm and a commitment to personal growth, we are confident that our Scouts will continue to thrive and achieve great things!

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