



**BRADFORD NORTH
DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
14th September 2021
Blackhills Scout Campsite**

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Tuesday 14th September 2021
AGENDA

1. Welcome and introduction.

2. Apologies

3. Chairs Annual Report

4. Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 14th July 2020.

- *To approve the minutes Executive Committee Approved:*

5. The District Constitution

5. Blackhills Constitution

6. The Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2021.

- *To receive and consider the report and accounts submitted by the District Executive for the year ended 31st March 2020*

7. ADC Sectional Reports

- *Beavers - DC*
- *Cubs - Sarah Falkner*
- *Scouts - Craig Simpson*
- *Explorers - Adam Simpson*

8. The District Commissioners Appointment for District Chair.

- *To receive the District Commissioner appointment*

9. Election of Officers to the District Scout Council.

- *To elect the following officers to the District Scout Council:*

District Treasurer: Andrew Wilson

District Secretary: Nomination from the Council

District Scrutineer: Paul Stocks

Elected and Nominated members of the Council to the District Executive.

- *Elected Members on committee until 2022–*
Ballot from the council

Nominated Members on committee until 2022 – Nominated members of the Council to the Blackhills Management Committee.

- *The Decision has been taken to continue with the current Representatives from Bradford North until the joint meeting with Bradford South to review the current constitution and development of the campsite. once this has taken place, we will go out for nominations for Bradford North Representatives and these will be ratified at an EGM.*

Ballot from the council

Representative to the County Scout Council.

- *To announce the results of the election of member of District on to the County Scout Council.*

10. The District Commissioner - Report

11. Presentation of Awards

12. County Representatives

Toby Hammond - County Youth Commissioner

Howard Fishwick - ACC Training.

13. Date of Next Meeting:

3. Chair Annual Report

I started my report by reading the previous Chairs report for his year in office and more so, his closing remarks of hoping to get back to 'face to face' Scouting. I don't think anybody fully understood how impactful the Pandemic would be and how protracted it would be too.

As you are all aware, Covid 19 massively impacted on our Scouting in every way shape and form, as we entered a 'virtual World' with 'face to face' being replaced by 'Zoom' and other virtual platforms.

It's fair to say, that the young people in the organisation and in the wider environment, were really impacted on, also being out of school for weeks at a time and not being able to take part in activities they had previously taken for granted.

Scouting within the District has looked very different, with groups taking differing approaches to delivering their Scouting, with some Groups embracing the virtual world to meet on a regular basis and where some groups have taken the time to 'sit it out' and not meet.

We've also seen this as a time for some Young People and Leaders to move on and leave the movement and it will be a while, before we see the true picture of retention within the Groups and District.

Of course, this has been a challenging time for our District Commissioner, who took on the role at the start of the Pandemic and who I know, had a very clear plan of where she wanted to take the District and of course, the restrictions to keep us all safe, have been an obstacle to this taking place. I'm sure, with the continued easing of the restrictions that this plan will start to come to fruition in the coming months.

As the District Executive, we have continued to meet throughout the Pandemic and we've been looking at the role of the Exec moving forward, in its support of Scouting within the District, not just to have an oversight, but to look at how we can really move the District forward as we get back to normal activities.

We have been mindful of the work that needs to continue at Blackhills and how there needs to be a much more collaborative approach to managing the campsite with Bradford South, which is the driver to coming together in October to review the Constitution and to look at the future direction of the campsite.

Yours in Scouting,

John Briggs

Chair

Bradford North District Scout Council.

4.

Minutes for Bradford North Annual General Meeting

Held Tuesday 14th July 2020

Held over Zoom @ 7.30pm. BRADFORD NORTH DISTRICT AGM

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 14th July 2020

1. Present

Dave Rollins (Chair),
Wendy Flatters (DC)
David Hall (Tech)
Andrew Wilson (Treasurer)
Phil Lowde (Minutes)
John Briggs (Chair)
Nat Howard
Kyra Bowles
Louise Atkins
Sarah Faulkner
Craig Simpson
Tim Atkins
Adam Simpson
Emma Day
Bev Howard
Nathan Allatt
Eryn Ward
John Reynolds
Jacqueline Craven
Phil Pearson
Malcolm Race
Sarah Parkin
Ian Womersley
Beth McGrath
Steve Rollins
Rosie
Catherine Hetherington
Daniel Simpson
Anthony Lander
Vickie Pearson
Michelle Laws
Jake Laws
"Nads"?
Liz Griffen
Rosie Watson

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Welcome & Reflection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome from Dave R the Chair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Muted is on all screens – please ask questions via chat option. ○ Quiet reflection from Dave R 	
2. Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emily Hall • Susie Smith • Sue Aldridge • Sam Aldridge • Stephen Rawlinson • Bill Joynes • Paul Gray • Scott Dalton • Leslie Atkins 	
3. Approval of Minutes	<p>Minutes of the 2019 were shared and approved via on-line ballot at 100%</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No questions arising from the Council. • Minutes approved 	
4. Blackhills Constitution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Changes to Blackhills Constitution presented 	
5. District Constitution	<p>Changes to District Constitution presented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These are all the updates from POR, mainly impacted by COVID-19 • Advance ballot – 100% approved. • No questions raised. 	
6. Annual Report and Accounts Presented	<p>Annual Report and Accounts Presented</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership up this year • Youth involvement promoted. <p>Section Reports – all shared by ADCs and acting ADCs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attachments for Details <p>Financial Results shared by Andrew Wilson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Already shared on-line • Details covered by Andrew • Badge Stock reduced by £300, still a stock of £3,000 plus. • Scout Shop – similar turnover to previous years. Setting up an e-mail order form. • Majority on advanced Ballot approved accounts. 	

<p>7. Nomination and Election of Officers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Chair – John Briggs for next year and to take over for the rest of the meeting. • District Treasurer – Andrew Wilson – Advanced ballot 100%. • Secretary – No nominations • District Scrutineer – Paul Stotts agreed to continue as Scrutineer • DC Nominations – John Reynolds, Susie Smith and Craig Simpson • Elected Representatives – Phil Lowde, Adam Simpson, Dave Rollinson • Youth Representative – No representation <p>Co-opted Member – Anne Dignam</p> <p>Blackhills Management Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Faulkner • Phil Lowde 	
<p>8. District Commissioner Report</p>	<p>Wendy shared both DC and DESC reports</p> <p>DECS Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Scout Jamboree – highlight!! • Growth in District • DofE progressing well – Joe Turner taking on DofE Lead Role • Young Leaders developing well in the District. • Camps attended. • New DESC appointed soon. <p>Full details available</p> <p>DC Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Busy 5 months – COVID-19 had a little impact on meeting people. • Steve Rollinson taking on Development Role to support the District. • Lots of Electronic linked activity. • Update on moving from Red to Amber. • Training Key to being signed off. <p>Moving from Red to Amber and beyond</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Wilson – Shared key elements of the process for the District. • Questions raised and answered. • GSL Meeting to be arranged. 	
<p>9. County Representative Report</p>	<p>Phil Person & Ian Womersley</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise to leaders for the creativity and work during the Lockdown • Great to see Youth Commissioners • New Stay at Home Badge coming out. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look out for summer initiatives!! • Face to Face Scouting support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bradley Wood open ○ Surgeries from County being offered ○ Looking for management roles for “Green Withins & Bradley Woods” ○ Summer skills swap shops ○ Grim up North – not happening this year ○ Big Camp decision 	
10. Date of Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13 July 2021 	

DESC Report 2019-2020

Looking back on the past year – 4 Explorers and myself attended the World Scout Jamboree in West Virginia – a time and experience that I am sure will stay with our Young People for the rest of their lives taking part in many new experiences, meeting other Young People from all over the world making new friendships and seeing places that were new to them and having to get used to long Coach travelling!!.

For all Explorers it has been a busy Year, we have seen a growth in Explorer numbers of 18% we now have 4 Active units.

D of E has grown in member signing up to the Award, 5 have gained their Bronze Award. Roger is stepping down from being the D of E co-ordinator for the District later this year and we welcome Joe Turner who is taking on the role – unfortunately, Expeditions are suspended at present due to Covid-19.

Young Leaders have been a great asset in the sections they have been helping with over the last year, we have one member who has gained their Y.L. Belt, Young Leaders will be developing over the coming months under the leadership of Anthony Landers, as with everything else the County Training weekends have been cancelled due to Covid, hopefully will resume once we hit Green. Anthony would like Leaders to contact him if they have Young Leaders helping in their section.

Explorers had a very wet but enjoyable week on the District Camp to Horton and also attended the District Camp at Blackhills helping and taking part.

A new DESC is to be appointed very soon, as you know I have held this role for the last 16 years and have thoroughly had a fantastic time in the role organising events, meetings and visits abroad – hopefully I will get an invite to any new ventures.

My thanks go to all the Leaders who put in a lot more hours than the “Hour a week”, preparing and delivering the Programme, Thanks also to the Explorers and hope they have learnt new skills to take forward in their life and also thanks to the parents for providing a “Taxi” service and letting us share in the development of their Young People.

A very short report as DC,

What can I say, it has been a busy 5 months but not really seeing many people - thanks Coronavirus

I had (and still have) plans that I would like to develop in the coming months – so taking the District forward and becoming more Youth led – as you heard from Nathan our Youth Commissioner.

I have also asked Stephen Rawlinson to take on the role of District Local Development Officer (long title – I know!!) Stephen and I will be coming out to meet Groups (when we can with the restrictions) and discuss where we need to recruit Adults/ Young People to succeed in having thriving Groups.

I would like to thank all of you in trying to keep in contact with our Young people during the “Lockdown” I am sure it has developed our IT skills and you should all be awarded the relevant badge, from what I have seen there has been a varied approach in keeping Scouting alive in the District and hopefully an abundance of badges to be awarded once we are “Face to Face” – remember all badges can be ordered through the District.

As the County is at the Amber stage as defined by the National Youth Association, we are able to meet with the Young people again outside in Groups no larger than a total of 15 members (adults and Young people) once a Risk Assessment has been submitted to your GSL who is to forward it to District Exec and it is approved – no meetings are to take place before being approved.

Please can I remind all Leaders that you will not be able to meet Face to Face with your Young people if any member of your leadership team is not up to date with their Mandatory Learning of Safety, Safeguarding and GDPR. We have not been able to arrange any First Aid Training due to not being able to make contact, we will let you know the details as soon as a course can be held. All Training can be found on your personal page of Compass, please ask me if you are not sure!!

(I will now pass to Andrew Wilson who I have asked to be the representative from the Exec to Assess the Risk Assessments - Thanks Andrew)

I will be sending out Zoom invites to a GSL meeting to be held next Tuesday 21st July at 7.30pm where Risk Assessments, returning to Face-to-Face Scouting and Census will be discussed

Thanks once again to all Leaders and members of the Exec and a special thanks to Dave for the help he has given me over the past 5 months as DC and I know he will still be able to help in his role of Exec member and he will also be taking on the role of Media for the District.

I would now like to hand over to the representative from West Yorkshire County Scouts - Phil Pearson and Ian Womersley our County Commissioner.

5. The District Constitution (please see Appendix (1))

6. The Blackhills Constitution

Due to the meeting being cancelled where we were to discuss the Blackhills Constitution with Bradford South, there will be no changes made to the Blackhills Constitution. Any changes made on discussions with Bradford South would be ratified at an EGM.

7. District Accounts 2020/21

TREASURERS REPORT 2021

The Scouting year 2020 / 2021 left Scouting with challenges not experienced in recent times following the suspension of Scouting due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

This left Groups within Bradford North with potential financial difficulties.

The District was fortunate that most Groups received some support from the Scout Association by the means of the Scouts Recovery Fund which covered the Scout Association Membership for 2021.

Bradford North District supported Groups too by waiving the District Levy for 2021 and West Yorkshire Scout Council reduced their levy for 2021 contributing to support for the Groups in our District.

As such Income for the District in 2021 fell by £36,875.21, due to reduced Membership income and no activities taking place.

With Scouting activity being suspended in the main for the financial year there were no activities taking place, the income for activities shown in the accounts is the refund from West Yorkshire Scout Council for the payments for Big Camp 2020, the expenditure for activities is refunds to the Groups in the District for Big Camp 2020 and refund to one Group for the cancelled District Trip to Flamingoland.

Some Groups continued with an online program and the achievements of the children in these Groups can be seen in the income & expenditure for badges achieved. We do encourage all Groups to buy their badges from the District Badge Secretary and to support the District Scout Shop.

The financial year sees the District report a deficit for the accounts of £ 6379.84, this in the main is due to the timing of payments versus income for the Scout Association Membership. West Yorkshire Scout Council request payment for the years Membership by the beginning of April. Therefore these accounts report the payment for Membership of the financial year 2019/2020 against the income for Membership of 2020/2021.

The District Executive has also set aside funds within Restricted Funds to support Covid Recovery for the District, to assist with recruitment and training.

The District Executive also encourage Groups who have not already registered for Gift Aid to do so, any Group requiring assistance with registration should contact the District Treasurer.

Andrew Wilson
District Treasurer
September 2021

Scrutineer's Report to the Trustees of the

BRADFORD NORTH DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL

I report on the accounts of the Group/District for the year ended 31 March 2021.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Scrutineer

As the District's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that neither the audit nor independent examination requirements of the Charities Act 2011 apply. It is my responsibility without carrying out an audit or independent examination to scrutinise the accounts and to report to you.

Basis of Scrutineer's Statement

In accordance with the directions given in the District's constitution, I have scrutinised the records and the accounts set out on Receipts and Payments Accounts – Form CC16a.

Scrutineer's Statement

In my opinion the accounts are in accordance with the records produced to me and comply with the constitution.

Name:

Paul Stocks

P. Stocks

Address:

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Date:

29/6/2021

Bradford North District Scouts
Income & Expenditure Account 2020 / 2021

	Current Year		Previous Year	
Unrestricted Income				
Training	0.00		450.00	
Scout Association Membership	11375.00		19091.50	
Badge A/C	212.02		1356.35	
Fundraising	157.77		0.00	
Activities - Big Camp Refund WYCS	7305.00	19049.79	15233.72	36131.57
Restricted Income				
Groups	563.00		8600.00	
Duke of Edinburgh	0.00		1250.00	
Stores	0.00		500.00	
Norjam / Scouts	0.00		3297.89	
Explorers International	0.00	563.00	2240.00	15887.89
Other Income				
Scout Shop	1.57		2396.71	
Central Explorers	958.00		2926.80	
Bradford Gang Show	0.00	959.57	104.60	5428.11
Total Income		20572.36		57447.57
 Unrestricted Expenditure				
District Expenses	411.16		714.57	
Insurance	678.55		673.46	
Training	66.00		380.40	
Scout Association Membership	16046.00		0.00	
Donations - Childrens Air Ambulance	400.00		0.00	
Badge A/C	116.22		535.79	
Activities	7684.13	25402.06	12887.2	15191.42
Restricted Expenditure				
Groups	410.00		2037.50	
Duke of Edinburgh	0.00		569.00	
Stores	341.66		613.62	
Norjam / Scouts	0.00		4980.70	
Explorers International	0.00	751.66	2140.00	10340.82
Other Expenditure				
Scout Shop	0.00		1906.45	
Central Explorers	798.48		2883.96	
Bradford Gang Show	0.00	798.48	2070.70	6861.11
Total Expenditure		26952.20		32393.35
 Surplus / (Deficit)		 <u>-6379.84</u>		 <u>25054.22</u>

Capital Account 2020 / 2021

	Current Year 2020 / 2021		Previous Year 2019 / 2020	
Bank Opening Balance				
Barclays Bank Account	88140.51		58826.52	
Cash in Hand	0.00		2826.77	
Gang Show Bank	1882.98		3849.08	
Central Explorers Bank	992.98	91016.47	950.14	66452.51
Bradford North Scout Shop				
HSBC Current A/C	2825.82		2616.96	
High Interest A/C	3199.78		3193.37	
Cash in Hand	274.99		0.00	
Petty Cash	50.00	6350.59	50.00	5860.33
Total		97367.06		72312.84
Surplus / Deficit for year				
District – Unrestricted	-6352.27		20940.15	
District – Restricted	-188.66		5547.07	
Scout Shop	1.57		490.26	
Central Explorers	159.52		42.84	
Gang Show	0.00	-6379.84	-1966.10	25054.22
Closing Balance - 31/03/21		90987.22		97367.06
Represented by:				
Barclays Bank Account	81599.58		88140.51	
Gang Show	1882.98		1882.98	
Central Explorers	1152.50	84635.06	992.98	91016.47
Bradford North Scout Shop				
HSBC Current A/C	3100.82		2825.82	
High Interest A/C	3201.34		3199.78	
Cash in Hand	0.00		274.99	
Petty Cash	50.00	6352.16	50.00	6350.59
		90987.22		97367.06
Bradford North District Assets				
Scout Shop Stock		8482.21		8147.22
Badge Stock		3669.90		3785.72
Badges - Group funds in advance		172.95		194.00
50% Blackhills Scout Campsite		105239.50		114789.00
District Stores (Estimate)		20000.00		20000.00
Revised 31/03/21 - to insurance valuation				
Duke of Edinburgh Equipment		1500.00		1500.00

**Bank Reconciliation - Barclays
Bank**

	Current Year 2020 / 2021		Previous Year 2019 / 2020	
Opening Balance 01/04/20		88140.51	Opening Balance 01/04/19	58826.52
Deposits 2020 / 2021	19202.79		Deposits 19/20	49412.49
Payments 2020 / 2021	25743.72	<u>-6540.93</u>	Payments 19/ 20	20098.50
Closing Balance 31/03/21		<u>81599.58</u>	Closing Balance 31/03/20	<u>88140.51</u>
Statement Balance 31/03/21		81599.58	Statement Balance 31/03/20	88140.51
Uncleared Deposits None		<u>0.00</u>	Uncleared Deposits None	<u>0.00</u>
Unpresented Cheque None		<u>0.00</u>	Unpresented Cheque	<u>0.00</u>
Reconciliation Balance		<u>81599.58</u>	Reconciliation Balance	<u>88140.51</u>

Bradford North Scouts
Restricted Funds Summary 2020 / 2021

Groups

	Debit	Credit	Balance
4th Bradford North			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			29944.00
10th Bradford North			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			2562.50
26/03/2021 Membership Fee	410.00		2152.50
St James Beavers Thornton			
23/03/2021 Scout Association Grant		413.00	413.00
District Development Fund			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			4000.00
Covid - Support Fund			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			1419.37
Income (Bonfire 2017)		150.00	1569.37
Total Groups Funds			38078.87

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Duke of Edinburgh			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			2814.62

	Debit	Credit	Balance
District Stores			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			2335.13
Wrose - Elec & Water	196.66		2138.47
Building Repairs	145.00		1993.47

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Scouts – Nordjam			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			2109.55

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Explorers International			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			551.72

Funds Held in District Account **45548.23**

Separate Bank Accounts

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Gang Show			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			1882.98

	Debit	Credit	Balance
Central Explorers			
01/04/2020 Opening Balance			992.98
Income		958.00	1950.98
Expenditure	798.48		1152.50

Total Restricted Funds **48583.71**

8. Blackhills Accounts

Please see Appendix (2)

9. ADC Sectional Reports



A verbal report will be given on the evening by the DC



It's been a difficult 18months since March 2020 when scouting took a big change. It has been nice to see some groups get back to meeting with their cubs when been allowed to and seeing some meet on online platforms when not allowed face to face. But let's hope from now all groups can be back meeting face to face and getting back to some normality Scouting and hopefully the return of cub district events in the near future..... watch this space! Let's all come back together!

Sarah Falkner ADC Cubs



It's been a hard year like all the other sections, but we've survived and coming out the other side! Looking forward to district meetings starting again so we can all sit together and plan the future events for scouts! There is some great opportunities coming for scouts from county like the science badge day in September so keep a look out for them! Well done to all those scout sections that managed to do some scouting over this past year!

Craig Simpson ADC Scouts



Explorers in Bradford North has had a rollercoaster ride in the last 12 months.

Of the 4 Explorer units up and running before Covid, 3 are currently still meeting:

- 46th Explorers are currently meeting jointly with the Scouts having just moved up and the rest helping as Young Leaders
- Central Explorers, having moved to a new headquarters, now have over 20 Explorers meeting face to face after their first indoor meeting in 18 months.

•9th Explorers have grown and have been meeting face to face regularly at Sandy Lane Cricket Club.

•Unfortunately, 60th Explorer Unit had to close due to a shortage of leaders, but the Explorers have found a new group at 9th.

Face to face activities have already started to happen with camps, & DofE expeditions beginning in earnest.

Adam Simpson DESC

10. Election of:

The District Chair

Elected and Nominated members of the Council to the District Executive

Nominated members of the Council to the Blackhills Management Committee

Representative to the County Scout Council.

11. District Commissioners Report

District Commissioner Report for 2020-2021

Looking back on the last year it has been one of “Ups and Downs” being in Lockdown, then being able to meet outside then back into Lockdown – well we have weathered the “Storm” and now we are at GREEN - restrictions lifted so we can meet as “Normal” with our Young People, we have learnt and practised protection procedures and as a District we would encourage you to continue with the good practice.

There have been some changes with roles and Groups over the last year as four Group Scout Leaders have moved on – Bill Joynes 60th to Group Chair and Rachel Duxbury 47th, Sarah Allatt-Parkin 4th and Carol Molyneux 30th, have moved to Occasional Helper roles to further assist their Groups – I would like to thank them all for the work they have carried out while being in the role of GSL. I would like to welcome Steve Preston as GSL at 60th and Jonathan Wingfield FSL at 30th, John Reynolds has also stepped into the role of Acting GSL at 47th and with the help of members of the District and the recruitment of new Leaders we now once again have a successful Group going from strength to strength. Unfortunately, the church where 4th met has closed and for personal reasons, members of the team have stepped down which now leaves us with a Group who now have new premises at Thackley Methodist Church but as yet without a leader Team, hopefully this will be resolved soon and once again we can offer the opportunities Scouting has to offer in a different part of the District.

I would like to welcome John Briggs as the District Chairperson who took on the role at last year’s AGM and Robynne Casson who is the minute Taker at the Exec meetings and a grateful thanks to Andrew Wilson for keeping us all in check with our spending as District Treasurer.

Nominated members to Blackhills Management Committee (BMC) were Phil Lowde, Sarah Faulkener and Daniel Simpson (Secretary) who join John Reynolds as Blackhills Manager and members of Bradford South, thanks to all who have implemented and helped to keep the site open (when allowed) which has been great for meetings that only could be held outdoors due to Restrictions.

Members on the District Team have had some changes also as Stephen Rawlinson (Development Officer) and Anthony Landers (Young Leaders Leader) have moved to Bradford South, we welcome Karen Cairney as the Development Officer and Appointments Secretary, Phil Lowde – Local Training Manager and Adam Simpson as DESC who join Dave Rollins as Communication (Media) Manager.

Zoom has played an important part in keeping communications with our Young People -some Groups have been more successful than others in being able to deliver Scouting this way, while others have used other forms of communication – Facebook, email, or good old post to set a programme where Badges could be earned. Members both Young and Older have been able to join in County and National Events being held via Facebook. Zoom meetings

have taken place for the Exec and Members meetings throughout the last year when Face to Face has not been possible due to Restrictions.

I would like to congratulate Roger Hyde in being awarded the Bar to the Silver Acorn, Rosie Watson and Liz Lavan who have been presented with the Award of Merit and Long (Long) Service Awards to Jacqueline Craven for an incredible 60 years and Malcolm Race for a superb 50 years and all the members who have shown their commitment to Scouting who have been awarded Service Awards.

It was my pleasure to Award Chloe (Central Explorers) and Oliver Stanley (29th Scouts) on St George's Day with the Commissioners Commendation Award for using initiative and skills to create various wooden garden creations and made money, which was donated to the NHS, Blackhills (in the form of picnic benches) and a local football team during Covid last year. Please let me know if you have anyone (young and not so young) that you would like to recommend for an Award, as we would like to share and celebrate any achievements within the District.

I am looking forward to a Year of being able to visit you all in your Groups/ Sections and letting us all join in District events where FUN and memories are made along with New Skills learnt.

During the next few weeks we will be selecting the Young People (Scouts/Explorers) of the District who would like to represent Bradford North to attend the 25th World Scout Jamboree to be held in South Korea in 2023 – a fantastic opportunity for these Young People to make some memories that will stay with them for a long time.

Finally I would like to thank the District Team, Exec and all the members of the District for continuing to deliver some fantastic opportunities for the Young People in our District to develop and learn new skills that they would not be able to achieve without Scouting and together we will put the past 18 months behind us and continue to rebuild and go from strength to strength.

I look forward to seeing you all with your Young People for our "FUN Day" on Saturday 2nd October 2021 at Blackhills 10am -4pm a chance to have lots of FUN and laughs, where we are being supported by members of the County Team.

Wendy Flatters

Bradford North District Commissioner

11. Presentation of Awards

12. County Representatives

Sam Wakefield ACC Beavers

Howard Fishwick ACC Training

13. Date of next AGM