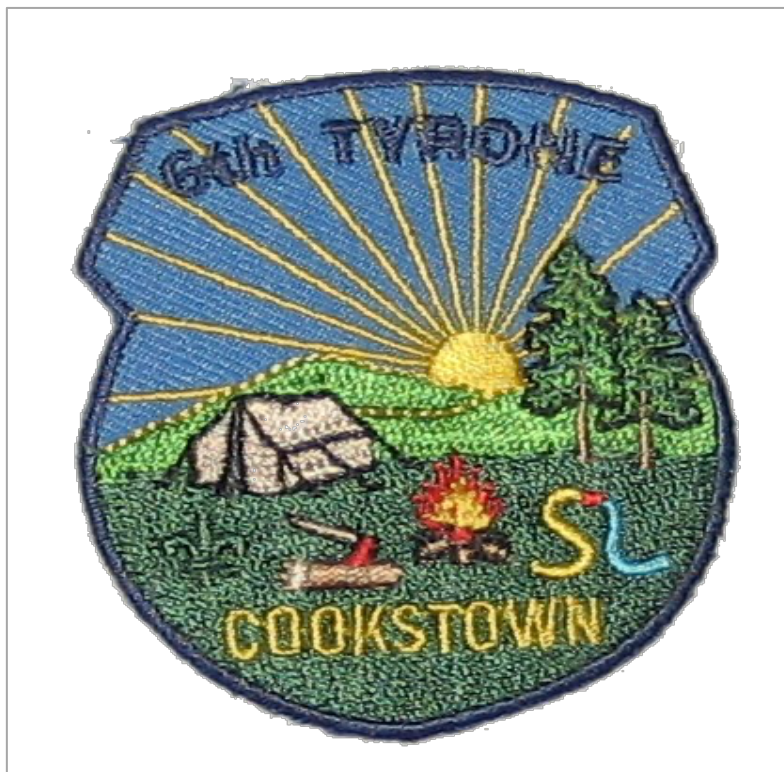




SCOUTING IRELAND 6TH TYRONE COOKSTOWN GROUP COUNCIL
CHARITY TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR NORTHERN IRELAND



Annual Report for the Year 2022-2023

Please read the notes at the end when filling in this form. When complete the form should be signed and scanned then uploaded up on to the CCNI website when completing your annual report.

1. Charity Name as listed on the Charity Register	<i>6th Tyrone Cookstown Scouting Ireland</i>
2. Financial year the report is for	<i>2022-2023</i>
3. CCNI Charity Registration Number	<i>NIC105993</i>
4. The address from which the Charity Operates (usually your Scout Hall)	<i>7 Chapel Street</i> <hr/> <i>Cookstown</i> <hr/> <i>Co Tyrone</i> <hr/> <i>BT80 8QB</i> <hr/>
5. The names of all our Trustees at the date of this report plus any who stepped down as a trustee during the year	Current Trustees <i>Mary Hogg</i> <hr/> <i>Jacqueline O'Neill</i> <hr/> <i>Brenda Buchanan</i> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> Trustees who stepped down

6. A summary description of the purposes of the charity

The aim of Scouting Ireland is to encourage the physical, intellectual, character, emotional, social and spiritual development of young people so that they may achieve their full potential and as responsible citizens, to improve society.

The Charity's purposes are:

The advancement of education

The advancement of citizenship or community development

***7. The name of any person, or body of persons, permitted by the trusts of the charity to appoint one or more new charity trustees and a description of the method used to make such appointments**

If there is any individual or organisation with the power to appoint charity trustees, such as another charity or a government department, provide their details, the relevant powers, and methods of appointment.

N/A

***8. Include details of any funds held by the charity as a custodian trustee**

This is mandatory for charities preparing accruals accounts.

N/A

9. Charity's Main Activities and Achievements during the year.

Our AGM was held on Wednesday 7th September 2022 where group reports and financial accounts were on the agenda. Registration for the new scouting year took place with an excellent signing up for all youth sections. Group Assembly meetings took place throughout the year on the following dates:

- 1. 5th October 2022*
- 2. 24th January 2023*
- 3. 21st March 2023*
- 4. 13th June 2023*

Members attended the SI online AGM, County Planner Night on the 31st August and a Scout Skills weekend on 23-25th September. Scouters completed a weekend of First Aid training over the 8-9th October. Scouters celebrated Christmas with a Party Night on the 10th December and we set up a Santa Day for our Youth members on the 11th December. Group completed their new 3 year plan for the 22-25 on the 28th January. Leaders were brought up to date with incident reporting using the SIF 10 – 05 Accident and Incident Report Form. Leaders completed Group Leader and Deputy Group Leader training finishing on 21/22nd April.

Beavers worked on First Aid, Pioneering, Camping, Backwoods and Air Badge. They had a sleepover in the Den in November and their investiture was in January. Hosted the County Skills Day for all the Beavers in the county. Took part in an environmental award project. Beavers attended the County Fun Day on the 11th June in Oxford Island. Summer camp took place 21st – 23rd July and was taken to the Scout Den due to the very wet weather. A quartermaster inventory day took place on the 8th July to reassess all gear belonging to the group. We finished the scout year with a fun night and BBQ in Drum Manor which took place on the 27th June.

Cubs worked on Hiking and Camping adventure skills. They invested their new Cubs in November and had their first sleepover on the 26/27th November. Cubs also worked on teamwork, working the small group system. Took part in the County Quiz and Challenge on the 23rd April and the County Hike on the 7th May.

Preparations are underway for Summer Camp. Cubs to host Cub Skills Day in Drum Manor on 4th June. 5 Day Summer Camp was arranged for Crawfordsburn but due to it being closed down, change of venue to Portstewart Scout Hall.

Scouts started the year with a weekend expedition where they had the five different teams assessed. Worked on Pioneering and Knife work. Scouts hosted the County Quiz and Challenge for all the Scouts in the County. Preparations are underway for Summer Camp. Scouts prepared and attended the County Shield competition. Summer Camp was split over two events – first was a hammocking weekend in Drum Manor and second was a weekend in the Share Centre.

10. How is the Group doing financially?

The Group is coping well financially and is able to meet the needs of the different sections within the Group for the coming year. We have deemed ourselves a going concern.

11. How has the Group ensured members have not come to harm?

All volunteers receive training in Safeguarding, Programme (youth work) skills and adventure skills. There is oversight of all activity by the Group Leader and the Group Council. Parents are regularly communicated with. All activities are carefully planned and the appropriate equipment used. All leaders are currently up to date with their Access NI checks.

12. How has your Group ensured that any private benefit to your volunteers has been incidental to the public benefit of your work?

Volunteers gain additional transferrable skills but this is incidental to the work that they do and are the skills that they require to undertake that work.

13. A statement that the Trustees have had regard to the CCNI's guidance on Public Benefit.

We the Trustees of 6th Tyrone Cookstown Scouting Ireland can confirm that in setting our objectives and planning for the year that we have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland's guidance on public benefit to ensure that the activities have helped to achieve the charity's purposes and provide a benefit to the beneficiaries.

14. This report was approved by the Trustees (Group Council) on

Date: *Monday 3rd June 2024*

15. Signature of Trustees. (This should be signed by 2 Trustees approved by the Group Council)

Trustee 1: *Mary Hogg* **Date:** *03/06/2024*

Trustee 2: *Jacqueline O'Neill* **Date:** *03/06/2024*