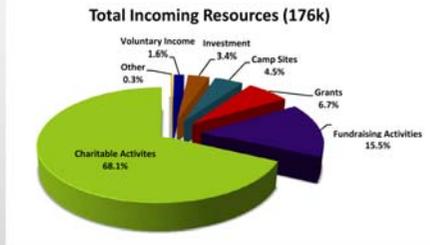


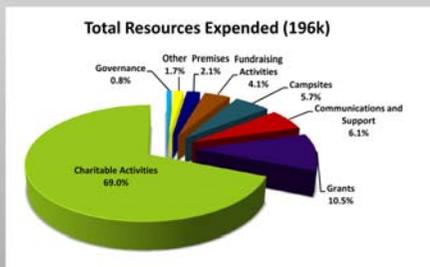
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Highlights of financial report year ending 31st December 2007

Incoming Resources	2007	2006
	£	£
Camp Sites	7,865	8,028
Charitable Activities	119,774	50,706
Fundraising Activities	27,286	18,369
Grants	11,862	7,215
Investment	5,921	4,882
Other	441	379
Voluntary Income	2,845	2,645
Total Incoming Resources	175,994	92,224

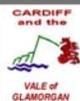


Resources Expended	2007	2006
	£	£
Campsites	11,141	7,807
Charitable Activities	135,148	53,334
Communications and Support	12,004	4,392
Fundraising Activities	8,107	8,806
Governance	1,532	1,823
Grants	20,616	8,627
Other	3,271	3,019
Premises	4,123	3,218
Total Resources Expended	195,942	91,026



More Highlights from 2007 / 2008

- ❑ **650 children and adults** from the Area attended Our Journey through Time at St David's Hall. An event showing Scouting through the years.
- ❑ A shooting competition held at the Area Campsite saw **89 Scouts, Explorers, Network** and Leaders take part.
- ❑ The Area now has a **full Activity team** with skills covering activities such as archery, climbing, sailing, mountaineering, shooting, and water activities.
- ❑ Scouts from the Area visited several **international countries** during the year including Malawi, Tunisia and the Netherlands.
- ❑ A **new Fellowship** was launched based around the service team at the Area's Campsite Jubilee Fields.
- ❑ Our **new Area headquarters** 'The Hub' was officially opened by the Area's President, providing a new base for training and activities.



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CATVOG Scout Area

Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan

Annual Report 2007 / 2008



Mission Statement

The Aim of The Scout Association is to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potential, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

The Method of achieving the Aim of The Scout Association is by providing an enjoyable and attractive scheme of progressive training, based on the Scout Promise and Law, and guided by adult leadership.



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From the Area Commissioner and Area Chairman ...

Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan Scouts



The past year has been an exciting, fun packed programme of activities and events. Our Centenary Camp – Glamboree - just about made it into last year's report but we went on celebrating our Centenary with the Scouting Then and Now Exhibition at St Fagan's Museum of Welsh Life and A Journey through Scouting (Doctor Who style!!) at St David's Hall, to name but a few.

Congratulations to the 1st Barry and the 6th Barry who successfully retained their Royal Naval Recognition. Congratulations also to all those who have received Awards during the year.

During the year we said 'farewell' to Andrew Bollington, Deputy Area Commissioner, who moved to Geneva. Ian Mathias had to stand down as Area Chairman for personal reasons. Gareth Llewellyn stood down as Mountain Leadership Adviser after very many years. We are also saying 'farewell' to our President, Captain Sir Norman Lloyd Edwards, and thank him for his support and interest over the past 17 years. My thanks go to all of them and I wish them all the best for the future.

I would like to thank Richard Thomas, not only for stepping in as Area Chairman, but for the expertise and time he gave in getting us into our new Area HQ – The Hub. Thanks also to the Project Team.

We moved out of RER House which has served us well for very many years, but is no longer suitable for our needs. We found some very interesting records, photographs and memorabilia much of which has been deposited with Glamorgan Archives and Cardiff Museum thus keeping the history of Scouting in the Area safe and secure.

My thanks go to all members of the Area Team, Area Executive and all of you who continued to provide Scouting week in, week out, for our young people. With the Centenary Celebrations behind us we move onto the next chapter of Scouting in Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan and I look forward to an active and exciting programme of events during the next year!

Sue Ryan

Sue Ryan
Area Commissioner

Richard Thomas
Acting Chair – CATVOG Area Scout Council

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Awards Presented

Silver Wolf: Keith Burfoot



Silver Acorn:

Mary Jarret
John Myall
Gary Reeves
Barry Mawson
David Pendlebury
Reginald Spackman



Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service :



Nicholas Varney

Congratulations to them all.

Highlights of 2007 / 2008 ...

Here are a few things that made the news or involved lots of people or just seem a little extra special!

- ❑ We appointed a paid **Office Manager** based at the Area's Headquarters.
- ❑ A **grant of £3,000** was awarded to the Network to improve the facilities at the Area's Jubilee Fields campsite.
- ❑ A **grand reunion** was held for all those who have been involved in Scouting in CATVOG over the past 100 years!
- ❑ Network and Explorers attended the national **Queen Scout parade at Windsor Castle** and the Duke of Edinburgh Gold presentations as St James' Palace.
- ❑ In April **150 Beavers** enjoyed a Fun Day at Cantref Farm in Brecon and gained their Hikes Away badge.
- ❑ In May **25 colonies (257 Beavers)** attended an Area Fun Day to gain their Health Challenge Wales badge.
- ❑ An **Area Centenary camp** was held at Tredegar park with over 1800 members attending the 4 day event.
- ❑ A **Garden Party with strawberries and cream** was held at Miskin as part of the celebrations for the Centenary of Scouting.
- ❑ '**Scouting then and Now**' was held at St Fagan's, an event showcasing our Scouting history, attended by members of the public from around the country.

❑ As part of the Scouting Sun Rise, we celebrated the Centenary of Scouting by **renewing our promise** in Cardiff City Centre.

❑ CATVOG played host to **111 visiting Scouts** from the Netherlands and from Switzerland before they headed off for the 21st World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) along with 42 Explorer Scouts and over 25 adults from the Area.

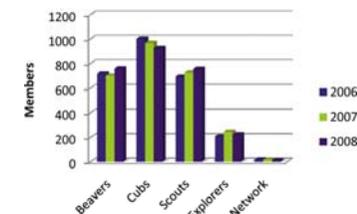
❑ Members of the **Lord Mayor's Own Scout Troop** supported the Lord Mayor on the following occasions: St David's day service, parade & celebration ; national holocaust service ; civic christmas carol service ; national remembrance day service ; installation of the new Lord mayor.

❑ During the year we had **48 people** attend open training evenings resulting in **12 wood badges** being awarded. We also issued **19 new appointments** during the past 12 months.

❑ Nicholas gale and Matthew Evans from Brave Dragons Explorer Scout Unit completed the expedition element of their **Explorer Belt in Tunisia**.

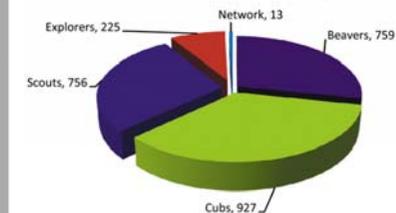
❑ As part of CATVOG's 'Gifts for Peace' and a legacy on to the next 100 years a **new Area Scout Group** was opened in Ty Hafan, the Children's Hospice.

Youth Membership



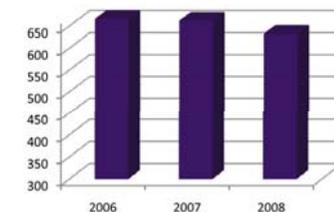
For a third consecutive year we have increased our overall youth membership. Our largest section **Cubs** has shown a year on year decrease in numbers since 2006, whilst Beaver and Scout sections are showing healthy growth this year.

Sectional Membership



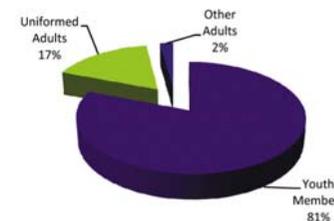
Youth membership spans from 6 to 25 – 19 years. **63%** of our total youth membership comes from our two youngest sections representing only 4.5yrs, leaving the remaining 14.5 years split across the other 37%.

Adults in Scouting



For a third consecutive year the number of adults has decreased. Although five new sections have been created. Overall membership totals 3303 in 174 sections/units across 53 Groups in 5 Districts.

Area Membership



PART TIME VACANCIES

Your local branch of a world-renowned international organisation has exciting vacancies for a range of interesting roles. The organisation has grown from an experiment in the UK for 20 potential customers in 1907, to become the world leader in its field. We currently have 28 million customers from a wide range of backgrounds across the globe, and we're growing every week.



RECRUITING NOW IN THIS AREA

Across Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan there are hundreds of customers waiting to enjoy the services offered by us. Unfortunately, however, we currently do not have enough staff to be able to offer our services to all those people seeking to enjoy our product. To meet the demand of the potential customers on our waiting lists - and more - we are looking to recruit dedicated individuals to join us. By expanding our staff team, we will also be able to offer even better services to our existing customers.

The package on offer is substantial. Each individual will receive comprehensive training and support, not just when they join us, but throughout their time with us. All posts on offer are part-time. Hours are flexible to fit in with existing demands, but often require a regular weekly commitment. The working environments are fun and enjoyable for our staff and customers.

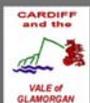
Most roles on offer involve evening work, and some work will be undertaken outdoors. Some roles also include overnight stays away from the usual working place, when we provide special activities for our customers. As we have such a broad range of vacancies, we can offer a role to suit most people interested.

All applicants will be subject to an Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check, and other local enquiries, before they can work alone with our customers. However, we can offer **immediate** opportunities to try out some of our roles to see if you'd enjoy working for the organisation, and also so that we can find the best role within our organisation for you.

We are an equal opportunities organisation, and welcome individuals from all backgrounds. All roles are reviewed on a regular basis.

In case you haven't worked it out already, we're The Scout Association, the UK's largest co-educational youth organisation. We're seeking to recruit volunteers both male and female (aged 18 upwards) to help support our local 'customers' - the Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Explorer Scouts and members of the Scout Network. We are also looking to recruit adults to help with administrative and support roles.

Please contact us if you'd like further information:



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What is Scouting and How do I join?



Beaver Scouts – (ages 6 - 8)

Beaver Scouts belong to the first and youngest Section in the Scouting family. Young people can join Beaver Scouts in the three months leading up to their sixth birthday

Easily recognised by their distinctive turquoise sweatshirts, Beaver Scouts enjoy making friends, playing games, going on visits and helping others. They usually meet together once a week in a Beaver Scout Colony.



Scouts – (ages 10 ½ - 14)

The Scout Troop is the third and final Section in the Scout Group. Scouting is about being with friends, as part of a team, participating fully in the adventure and opportunities of life.

There are various Badges and awards which can be gained while you are scout, the main Award's are called Challenge awards. The scout section offer over 70 Activity badges covering a wide range of interests and pursuits, these can be achieved as an individual base's or as the Troop. Once you have gained at least 5 Challenge Awards you can move on to the Highest Award in the Scout Section called the Chief Scout's Gold Award.

Want to Join?

To Join, either visit our website <http://www.catvog.org> and click the 'Join' link on the home page or contact the area office:

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Cub Scouts – (ages 8 - 10)

Cub Scouts meet in a Cub Pack and have lots of fun. The group is called a Cub Scout Pack, which would usually have between 6 and 36 members and a mixture of uniformed leaders and regular helpers.

There are loads of fun activities for a Cub Scout to do, such as swimming, music, computing, exploring, the list is endless. Sometimes they go camping; this will mean sleeping in a hall or a tent and doing loads of outdoor activities.

There is a Cub Scout Programme which has been developed to meet the general needs, likes and abilities of the young people within the group.



Explorer Scouts – (ages 14 - 18)

As a Explorer Scout, you will be able to decide, along with the rest of the Unit, what you want to do - whether it is powerboating, socialising, hiking or enjoying a trip abroad. Some Units hold their meetings in a hall, or at someone's house, or even up a mountain!

You will be able to gain badges such as the Chief Scout's Diamond and Platinum Awards. The highest award you can earn is the Queen's Scout Award. This is recognised by many employers as the sign of someone that is enthusiastic, dedicated and reliable.



Scout Network – (ages 18 - 25)

The Network is run by the members for the members and they each decide how active and involved they want to be, flexibility is the key.

The Network programme reflects the huge variation in Members' interests and is based around the programme zones also used by other sections.

As a member there is the opportunity to achieve the Queens Scout Award and the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's award as well as the Group Awards. You can also take part in the Duke of Edinburgh as well as Scout Awards.