

## 16<sup>th</sup> HARROGATE SCOUT TROOP ----- 2013 REPORT TO AGM

It is the quality of scouting we provide not the numbers in the troop that matters. I have known brilliant scout troops with just 18 scouts and ones with 40 plus that are poor.

What we have tried to do in the past year is essentially no different from other years. We have tried to make them self reliant, further develop their skills, introduce them to new adventurous activities and help them get through the scout training scheme towards their ultimate goal The Chief Scouts Gold Award

**So what have our scouts done this last year?**

**Pictures tell things much better than words so:-**

**Hikes for all helping to learn develop and practice navigational skills from easy walks in the Dales to mountaineering in the Lakes**



**By the time they have to leave scouts they should be able to take care of themselves on the mountains and moors as the pictures show**



**An essential part of learning to manage at camp is cooking**



**They usually manage the eating with out too much trouble**



**Pioneering a traditional Scouting Skill**



**No pictures but we also had a go at:- archery, climbing, crate stacking and abseiling.**



Once the scouts get to 12 or 13 years old they are ready to complete an expedition an examples of which are:-

**Tohunga --where scouts do not have to carry camping equipment**



**Teko ---- where scouts have to carry all their equipment, successful completion gains them their Expedition Award.**



**Youth Hostelling Weekend**



Plus we must not forget  
Luke, Ryan, Greg, Leah  
Jennifer & Josh who all  
completed the top award  
in the scout section the  
Chief Scouts Gold Award