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Saying "Thank You"





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Why we should say "Thank You"

- Recognise above average service
- Recognise dedication under suffering
- Recognise gallantry
- Motivate recipients
- Motivate friend & family
- Motivate others by association
- Publicity & media coverage
- Retain and re-energise



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The categories are

- Thanks Badge)
- Length of Service) for adults
- Good Service)

- Gallantry
- Meritorious Conduct

- Cornwall Scout Badge) young person only

- Chief Scout's Personal Award



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THE AWARDS OF THE SCOUT ASSOCIATION.

The Cornwell Scout Badge



Awards for Gallantry



Awards for Good Service



Awards for Meritorious Conduct



Chief Scout's Length of Service Awards



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The Process

- Idea
- Discuss with DC
- Application Form
- Citation
- CRB / Training
- Signatures
- CC recommendation
- Send to Gilwell
- Checked by Awards Team
- Awards Board
- Decision
- Notification
- Award Dispatch
- St Georges Day List
- Presentation



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Clarifying the roles ~ who does what?

- Office

Lynda Gray – Awards Co-ordinator & Jackie Heale – Awards Administrator (Steve Moysey – Appointments and Awards Manager)

- Awards Board

Appointed by the Trustees for 5 year term (maximum two terms)

Chairman – Richard Butler; 5 Members (incl 1 YP under 25);

Chief Executive (Ex Officio); Lynda Gray (Sec) & Jackie Heale (Admin)

The Board only considers the St George's Day Awards

Meritorious Conduct/Gallantry/Cornwell/CSPA



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Chief Scout's Length of Service Awards (Adults)

- Auto Run – *every other month – approx 2500*
- Manual Request – *each month – approx 50*

Cloth emblem or enamel brooch available

Service does not need to be continuous

Occasional Helpers do not accrue service



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Good Service (Adults)

Chief Scouts Commendation for Good Service
Award for Merit
Bar to the Award for Merit

Issued monthly – approximately 200

Silver Acorn
Bar to the Silver Acorn
Silver Wolf

Issued at St Georges Day each year – 700 - 800



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Meritorious Conduct and Gallantry (Adults & Young People)

Issued monthly during the year - in cases of urgency within 48 hours

The differences:

- Gallantry is where the individual puts their own life at risk during the action.
- Meritorious Conduct – Courage, initiative under great suffering, but no element of personal risk.
- Cornwell Scout Badge (Young People from Beaver Scouts up to Scout Network Members up to age 25) – awarded for cases of extreme suffering or action involving danger



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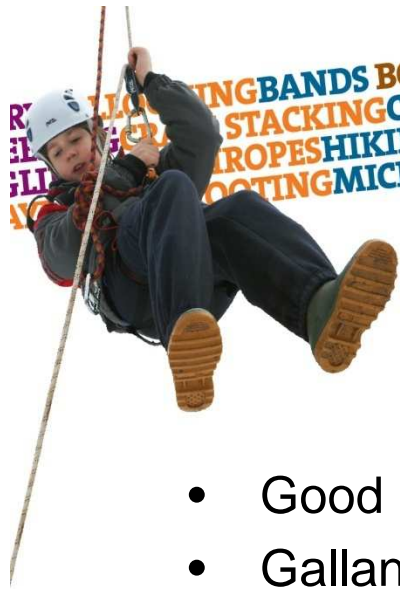
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- Its all the Awards Board can rely on
- Not required for Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service
- Only a few bullets for Chief Scouts Personal Award
- Basic for Award for Merit / Bar
- Quality essential for all other awards
- Always remember
 - its quality of service
 - be specific on achievements
 - only info since last award is appropriate
 - more of same v increased quality



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Citation Examples – good and bad

- Good Service
- Gallantry
- Meritorious
- Chief Scouts Personal Award

Type if possible

- easier to read
- allows other to suggest changes locally and amend
- can be printed on application or attached separately
- form can be downloaded from scouts.org



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Effectiveness within their role:

Long before became SL he had become the active ingredient in the Scout Troop filling a gap in the leadership strength by undertaking the programme planning, preparing the resources for the evening meetings and organising regular and frequent camps. These included gliding camps in Cambridgeshire and, with their Cubs and the Ettingshall Group, camps with the Stavanger group in Norway, and the Haarlem Jamborette in Holland. attends all appropriate District and Group meetings and represents the Group at others. stepped up to the mark when the Troop was down to just 6 youngsters. It is now at 30 plus - very much due to his efforts. His Troop take part in all District Activities - often with great success and he is now planning on the troop participating in County events.

He also has a permit as an instructor for the HQ's climbing wall and is QM for the Guides and Scouts.

At Peak, his troop won the Skowt lollipop challenge.

..... is also a member of the District SASU and plays a full part. He organised the District New Year's day walk in 2010 and takes part in all their work supporting the District activities.



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Give a view as to their reliability within their position(s):

.....is utterly reliable in his position as SL - and it is due to this dependability that the troop has developed so well. He can be relied upon utterly to meet his commitments and is always generous with his time. He has also undertaken a role on the DC search group. It is his reliability that has made the Management Committee of the Scout and Guide HQ to appoint him as QM.



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What do you think their impact has been on Scouting in general?

As a SASU member he attends and supports the YL training residential events, is an active participant of the bi-annual coast to coast bike ride, attends all SASU meetings and helps with District Activities when not supervising his own Troop.

His enthusiasm, knowledge, attitude and sheer hard work have resulted in a dramatic change in fortunes for theTroop.

He has become an effective IT expert for the District and specialises in putting together quite spectacular slide shows. He maintains our presence on U tube and keeps an eye on technological developments from HQ as well as monitoring TSA blogs for us.



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Do they work as a team ? Examples please:

.....is a good team player - offering ideas and insights but able to accept other views. He is a hard worker and is able to retain the respect of all members of the Guides and Scouts in spite of some historical factionalism.

He works well with the district team and as part of the SASU - taking a lead role or a support role as required.

This is particularly impressive ashas had to grapple with a socialising problem all his life.



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Do they relate well to the age group/team they are in.

That relates well to the youngsters is self evident from the successful growth of both sections. He also fits in well into an adult set-up that has had its problems with relationships between leaders. He successfully relates well to all leaders in spite of this and was an important factor in supporting me, as DC, in establishing a more acceptable situation.



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Overall enthusiasm for Scouting in general:

Scouting is very much life and he offers his time, ideas and services freely and with great enthusiasm. He had a very difficult time a couple of years ago when he found himself having to deliver scouting without much support from those who should have been doing so. With our encouragement, he battled on and today's successful troop is the result. He spends much time on IT related Scouting activities - following discussions on eScouts, following and responding to Wayne's blogs, tracking HQ issues and advising me appropriately, and creating quite spectacular slide shows for us. He is a joy to observe.



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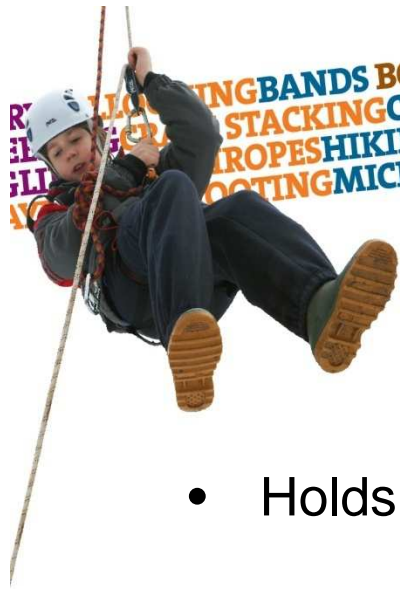
Any other information that will help us with our task - give as much as you can!

Its difficult to know what to put in here, but has developed regular overseas camps and established good relationships with the Stavanger Group in Norway through an existing connection with the one of the Scout leaders. They have hosted the Norwegians at Beaudessert. He has introduced an annual gliding camp and offers a high quality scouting programme.

I seeas GSL atin the longer term but meanwhile he has greatly strengthened and makes a welcome and youthful contribution to the SASU.



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Membership database

- Holds details of roles, training, awards and CRB
- Names, address and dob etc need to be correct
- Check Woodbadge and CRB
- Ensure all roles are recorded – amend before sending to Gilwell
- Database errors means Long Service Awards are incorrect





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