



8th Great Yarmouth

St. Nicholas Church and Bauleah House (1914-1919)
Wesleyan Church (1925-1950) Methodist Church (1950-1953)
Alderman Swindell School (1953-1972)
Scout Hut, Keyes Avenue (1972-2011)

Colours Wine (1932) McKenzie Tartan (1933) Maroon (1967)

The troop originally opened in 1914, however no formal records exist and closed in 1919. The group re-opened in 1925 at the Wesleyan Church on Dene Side.



At the Norfolk Jamboree c. 1930.

The troop in 1925 was registered under Scoutmaster W. F. Jary who led a Troop of 12 Scouts.

In 1928, Wilfred (Skipper) Curson took charge of the group and remained the Group Scoutmaster for 32 years.

By 1932 the Scout troop was led by Assistant Scoutmaster R. G. (Slim) Berry. The group operated throughout World War II and was one of only five to do so.

Later years saw meeting places which included a school and the HQ building on Keyes Avenue. The group also had use of a campsite in a former brick works, a Gypsy caravan, a sailboat moored at Cobholm, and disused air raid shelters.

The last Group Scout Leader was Steve Gray and the group closed in 2011.

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Blind and Deaf School, Gorleston (1914) and (1920-1928)
East Anglian Blind School (1929-1945) and (1947-1957) and (1962-1983)

Colours Black and Lemon Border (1948) Gold and Black Border (1962)

There are no formal records of the troop for 1914, and it is not clear if it existed during the war years.

The troop was re-registered in 1920 under Scoutmaster Gladhurst with 20 Scouts, all resident at the school on Church Lane, Gorleston.

By 1923, R. G. H. Gough had taken over as Group Scoutmaster and the Scouts numbered 36. The group's success was dependent on the number of pupils enrolled in the school and laid dormant for a number of years.

The last Group Scoutmaster was P. Johnstone, after which a series of Scoutmasters ran the school sponsored group until it closed in 1983.