



Scouts
Cymru

ScoutsCymru had almost

18000
members

last year - That's young people and volunteers

We're proud to be a welcoming, inclusive movement

Almost 14,000 young people are part of ScoutsCymru and a

third of our members are girls



ScoutsCymru is creating spaces where young people across Wales feel welcome, valued and able to be themselves

Network 18+ members have increased by

67%



Organisation of the Year 2025



Scouts Cymru is open to all

Headline data for 2026 correct as of January 2026

Through adventure, friendship and new experiences, young people build confidence, develop skills for life and discover that their voice matters.

We want more young people to have access to these opportunities, feel a stronger sense of belonging in their communities and play an active role in shaping the future around them.



Welsh language is an important part of our movement too –

just over 28% of our members are Welsh speakers

Quotes from young people who took part in the independent Youth Voices research, carried out for ScoutsCymru by Out of the Woods.

“You turn technology off and go outdoors and explore the wild.”

“It makes me feel like genders don't matter, so we can join in what we want to.”

“It teaches me many life skills, and we are like a family where everyone can be themselves.”

Across the Youth Voices research, young people spoke passionately about friendship, belonging, adventure and feeling accepted for who they are. Their responses showed that Scouts in Wales is not just an activity programme. For many, it is a place where they build confidence, develop lifelong skills, form lasting friendships and feel able to truly be themselves.

Squirrels

grew by

35%

between 2024
and 2026



Our Waiting
list has over

4400

young people

We need more
volunteers to help us
get this number down

Scouting in Wales is
delivered by almost

4,300

volunteers
and 50%
are women



A movement that makes a difference

From Squirrels to Scouts
and beyond – we support
young people aged 4-25
through 6 age-appropriate
sections.

Squirrels

(4-6yrs)

75 Dreys

BEAVERS

(6-8yrs)

237 Colonies

cubs

(8-10½yrs)

254 Packs

Scouts

(10½-14yrs)

237 Troops

EXPLORERS

(14-18yrs)

97 Units

network

(18-25yrs)

26 groups

ScoutsCymru delivers programmes in both Welsh and English and has its own suite of badges focused on local and global issues. These include the new Cennin Pedr Award, delivered in partnership with Cadw from 2026. The badge is all about helping young people connect with the language, traditions, stories and spirit of Wales in fun, hands-on ways.

We think globally and act locally – supporting 100s of young people to travel aboard, on expeditions, cultural exchange and large Scouting events, as well as local trips across Wales.

Independent analysis of Youth Voices responses showed that friendship, belonging and learning new skills were the strongest recurring themes, showing that young people see Scouting in Wales as much more than an activity programme.

