

DENMARK - 1989

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A party of 25 Leaders, Venture Scouts and Scouts went. First week was camping, second week was hospitality.

Camp site was in the north of Denmark near Hjørring. Camp activities were orienteering, bivouacking, wide games, the obligatory hike Danish style ie. in sweltering heat. Overnight outside bivouacking for the boys, the Leaders went back to their dorm. During the camping week we visited the most northerly point of Denmark which has a striking resemblance to the Sahara Desert. There we saw where the North Sea meets the Kattegat Sea. During the day we also visited a sea life centre at Skagen. Only complaints of camp was the food or lack of it. The Danes tend when camping to go back to the basics, food wise. However I am sure we all shed a few pounds. All through this week the weather was tremendous. During the hospitality week we visited Hjerl Hede, which was a working old time Museum showing how shoes, clothes and livings were made in the 18th/19th century. We also visited Djurs Sommerland which was an aqua fun park. We had our Danish nights and Scottish nights which were all successful. Unofficial trips on which the boys and leaders went during the hospitality week were to Legoland, Silkeborg, Hauge and Mausing markets. We also had barbecue nights.

The Danes were pleased with the "Gnomosapien" present. This was a typical Scotsman figure dressed in Trinity uniform. Trinity received from the Windir Gruppe a large brandy glass with Scout emblem and names of both groups on it. Also received was a kind of plaque on a branch frame with leather stretched across it. On this were the camps we have jointly attended - Ravnsø 1984 - Inverary 1986 and Norlev 1989.

Outwith organised trips most boys and leaders all got on well together at night with their hosts, had several parties, forged new friendships and renewed old ones. Everyone returned very tired after an enjoyable holiday.

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