

12th Portobello – Meeting places

1931 – the outset, the Cubs met in the Preparatory School in Northfield Broadway (which had only opened that year), and the Scouts in the gymnasium in Regent Road. The Sea Scouts also used the adjacent swimming pool.

1938 – Rover Scouts formed, and meet at 26 Frederick Street (nowadays an office block)

1939 – all School Buildings requisitioned for War use

1942 – Happily reinstated, a fine photo shows Rector James Robertson (later Sir James), a great supporter of the troop, visiting just before his departure for Aberdeen grammar school. The photo shows him with the scouts in the Regent Road gymnasium.

1949 October 15th – Memorial Hall in Tower Street opened and dedicated. It was formerly the church hall of St Mark's Episcopal Church, 287 Portobello High Street.

1958 - The Rover Crew restarted after a 10-year absence, with the School providing a den in in one of the School Annexe buildings at no 4 Regent Terrace

1968 – The end of Tower Street, sold to the 'Corporation' in November for £2500. A large proportion of the street was eventually converted into local authority housing.

1976 - Group takes title to a lock-up in Bath Street Lane, suitable for the dormobile and large items of equipment.

1978 (the end date of this history), Cubs and Scouts (Land and Sea merged in 1973) meet in Northfield Broadway, Venture Scouts meet in member's houses, and the Johnston's lock up.

Curiously, the only meeting place not to have survived (as of March 2023) is the Memorial Hall in Tower Street, demolished in the 1970's



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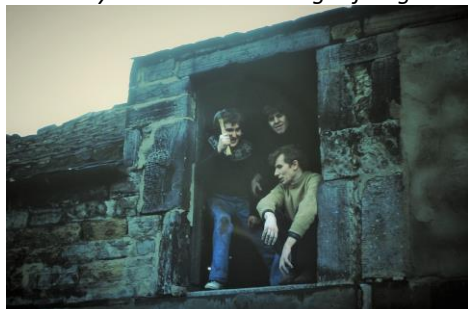
1949 October 15th, Memorial Hall in Tower Street Portobello dedicated. Lord Glentanar inspects the group



1970 – Cubs Christmas party in Northfield Broadway – Miss Hamilton right foreground



The Royal High Primary School, opened in 1931, welcomed the Cubs that year



1976 – Bath Street Lane lockup