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Bottom: Ciaran Casey, Luke Joyce, Phil McDowell; Level 2: - Cillian Osbourne and Ben Somers.
Top: Alex O'Reilly.

Roisin Hoey, Nikki Lynch and Erin Rock.

Watch Leaders Helena Butterly, Lisa McEvoy, Niamh Cullen and Aine Keogh.

Ciaran Casey Luke Joyce, Phil McDowell and Helena Butterly, Niamh Cullen AineKeogh and Lisa McEvoy.

Malahide Sea Scouts enjoy a summer camp in County Waterford

THE annual scout camping season got under way and early this year with two of the Malahide Sea Scout troops - Neala Girls Troop and The Talbot de Malahide Boys Troop - who camped together in the picturesque little village of Villierstown in County Waterford.

Their camp site was close to the village pier on the River Blackwater where it becomes tidal and gave the sea scouts plenty of scope for a full scouting activity Camp, both on land and on the water.

Nearby, is the densely wooded Dromana Estate, which gave a fabulous opportunity to practice the traditional scout skills of 'backwoodsmanship' and 'bivouacking'. The River Blackwater on also provided an ideal setting for the scouts' sailing and rowing boats and for swimming.

Lara Nolan and Emma Rowen.

The Scouts camped in a field, courtesy of a local farmer and were delighted with the welcome and hospitality shown by the entire community of this petite pretty village.

Annual camp is the highlight of every scout troop's year and is keenly looked forward to by scouts both young and old alike.

The older scouts look upon it as a badge of honour as to how many annual camps they have been on and where. It is not unusual for some of the older scouts to have spent up to three months of their lives under canvass in scouting, when all of their camps are taken together.

The Malahide Wednesday troop will camp later in July on the shores of Lough Derg near Portumna.

A highlight of this year's camping season will be toward the end of July when 25 Malahide scouts will join with over three hundred other scouts from around the country to form the Irish contingent to the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan.

This will be the largest contingent of Malahide Scouts to ever to attend a World Jamboree outside of Europe.

Claran Casey, Zara hussey and Colm Casey.

Claran Casey, Phil Mc Dowell and Luke Joyce.

Marsheoil Watch eating dinner - Nikki Lynch, Anna Ryan, Megan Collins, Roisin Hoey, Aine Keogh, Niamh Patterson, Erin Rock, Lydia Wynne and Aishling Cashell.