

The Lovat Scouts

March

The image shows a musical score for 'The Lovat Scouts' march, arranged in four parts. The score is written in 2/4 time and consists of ten staves. The first two staves represent the first part, and the last two staves represent the second part. Each part includes first and second endings, indicated by '1.' and '2.' above the staves.

The Lovat Scouts: were the creation of Simon 14th Lord Lovat, a wealthy Highland landowner with powerful military and intelligence connections, who was for long president of the Piobaireachd Society. It was recruited largely from Highland gamekeepers and ghillies, many from his own estate. It was to have the famous Willie Ross as pipe-major during the later stages of his career (his father Alexander Ross had worked for the Lovat Estate), and be commanded by J. P. Grant of Rothiemurchus, Lovat's successor as president of the Piobaireachd Society. The tune forms part of James Scott Skinner's sequence of marches named for the Scottish regiments. It is given in its original four parts here; usually the first two only are played by pipers.