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GROUP SCOUT LEADERS REPORT

Since our last newsletter Ian has emigrated to South Africa, and we wish him well over there. Please parents in any of our sections, could you please go on the parent rota for the Scouts group. Please sign the rota on the door of the John Greer Hall to help Robert out. The Scouts meet on a Wednesday 7.30 to 9pm. Robert is there at about 7pm. This is very important to keep the Scouts going, Robert cannot do this on his own.

The St. Georges Day Parade was poorly attended by all our sections, also our own Church Parades. Please see future dates at the end of the newsletter.

We had a very successful Coffee for a Cause in March, which was in aid of the Agoonoree Scout Camp. This is a summer camp for Scouts with special needs. As part of the morning, we also had a car wash, which raised £115, and in total raised £318. This will enable 2 Scouts to take part in a camp, there is more information on the Scout board in the hall. Well done to everyone involved!

Janet Clark

Group Scout Leader

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Scouts



Scouts

BEAVER SCOUT NEWS

In May ten of the Beavers enjoyed a day out at Paccar Scout Camp for the annual Beaver Bonanza. This year the theme was "The Circus" and the boys enjoyed a day of games and activities based on the theme. However, I am not sure they were as keen on the clown costumes I had put together for the opening ceremony! During the lunch break we were treated to a falconry display. The boys were instructed to sit in a long line with their hands by their sides when a large owl and later a peregrine swooped over their heads, which they found very exciting.

This term we have concentrated on the Beavers obtaining their Safety badge and have discussed fire, water and road safety. Everyone enjoyed our visit to Ruislip Fire Station when the boys were allowed under supervision to play with the hoses, managing to wash a few cars along the way.

We currently have 19 Beavers in the Colony. My thanks to Ian Nichols who is currently helping me at the meetings as I am the only uniformed Beaver Leader. Ian is an Assistant Beaver Leader at another colony so I very grateful to him for giving his time to support me. In recent months VB A, LE, JW and LC have all gained their Bronze Awards. Well done boys!

Sue Barton-Hilton

Beaver Scout Leader

CUB SCOUT REPORT

We had a very successful camp over a recent weekend, at which 4 Scouts joined us. It rained late on Friday afternoon, and was showery during the evening. However although it was very cold, it did stay dry on Saturday and Sunday.

We played a wide game with the Scouts on Friday evening. On Saturday morning we did absailing and most managed to have 2 goes. We did fire lighting and tracking, and a quiz around the site. Everyone enjoyed the camp.



Our thanks go to Chris Ede who took most of the equipment down on Thursday night and brought it home again on Sunday. Also Alan Rhodes met us at Phasels Wood on Thursday to help put up the Mess tent, Roberts and my tent. That was all we had time for as it was 9.30pm by then. I am also very grateful to Robert, who on Friday morning arrived back at the campsite with the extension for the mess tent and put it up on his own, while I was doing all the shopping. Also Joshua for his help over the weekend and Philip who came on Saturday for the rest of the weekend.

We have just heard that the group of several of our Cubs and Scouts, who helped at the clearing and bulb planting in Eastcote High Road last October have been awarded the Hinman Shield which we keep for a year. This is awarded by the Eastcote Village Conservation Advisory Panel for conservation work.

Janet Clark

Cub Scout Leader

SCOUTS

The Scouts have again had a busy time since the last report. We have rebuilt and fired the catapult for the AGM, done basic First Aid, looked at contacting overseas Scout Groups for the Global Challenge, and checked through the equipment needed for camp.



The camp was at Phasels Wood along with the Cubs and the Scouts showed themselves to be mature and helpful. The Scout activities at camp were, making reed torches and a simple overnight shelter. The torches were simple and gave the Scouts an opportunity to use their knives and the shelter involved a lot of axe work and cutting ferns.

So far every Scout has had at least one parent who has been able to help with a meeting. That said we are still in need of a proper self sustaining parent rota. It is a lot of work to ring or email round and arrange for an adult to be present on a Wednesday and I would like to say a big thank you to all the Scout parents. Any offers of help from Beaver or Cub parents would also be most gratefully welcomed and you can see exactly what your son will be up to when he comes up to Scouts. My phone number is 07930 448866 or email robert.slaney@camden.gov.uk or speak to me at Cubs on Monday.

Robert Slaney

Scout Leader

Chairman of 5th Eastcote Scouts

I would like to thank all the leaders and helpers for their continued contribution to the Group - Sue Barton-Hilton for Beavers, along with her helpers and the parent rota, Janet Clarke and Rob Slaney for Cubs and Robert Slaney for Scouts. I would also like to thank members of the Group Executive, Terri Tanner (Finance), Gill O'Brien (Secretary), Gosia Thornton, (newsletter), Janet Clarke, Rob Slaney, Sue Barton-Hilton, Tom O'Brien, Roy Cadoux, Lance White and Gill Fox.

Bradley Shephard

Chairman

Used Stamps

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If any of you have used stamps that you would like to donate to charity, Sue Barton-Hilton is currently collecting for Oxfam. Any stamp will do. But please ensure when you take the stamp off the envelope that you leave a 1cm border around the stamp. Thank you.

CHURCH PARADE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 26th September 2010 Harvest Festival
Sunday 5th December 2010 Toy Service

EDITORIAL



Thanks for all submissions. And a big welcome and thank you to our new Editor, Mrs Sahil Shah. Have a great summer break everyone!

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