

Akela says...



Hi everyone, I hope this issue finds you well.

Well done and thank you to all who took part in the Sponsored/Fun Swim. If you haven't already handed in your sponsor money can you please do so as soon as possible.

Again well done and thank you to all the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, helpers, parents and leaders that came to Founders Day service. We were one of the groups that had the strongest attendance.

Handcraft competition was next and I know all the Beaver and Cubs worked extremely hard during February on their exhibits. Well done to Saffron Dowden and Hannah Nicholls (Beavers) and Linden Rice and Danny Oxley (Cubs) who all got a certificate.

This Saturday we are at Beal High School for our monthly get together for a Quiz Night. If you would like to join us please see me for details.

I think that's all so far. Good luck to the Scouts in the Scout Rally and Maurice Pass competition.

Oops.. Forgot the County Chess Competition. The Scout version was on Saturday 4th March. Well done to Geoff Morley and the 3 Scouts from the 16th. They came 2nd overall. The Cub version was on the Sunday but unfortunately our District didn't achieve a top placing.

That's it from me, Take care

AKELA

Message from the GSL

Thank you to all who took part in the Sponsored Swim. I will let you know who much we raised next month.

Just a reminder that subs are payable every week unless you are on holiday.

As most of you know I have had an operation on my arm and I would like to thank you for your kind thoughts and help during this time.

Thanks

Teabag (GSL)

Don't forget we have various information sheets available on request including: Maps to various HQs and Campsites, Introduction Packs, Information booklets on Camping and Hiking, Guides to buying and looking after kit and equipment and much more. Just ask a leader.

Scouts - www.scouts.org.uk
District Website - www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk

Scoutbase - www.scoutbase.org.uk

County - www.glne-scouts.org.uk
Scouting Resources - www.scoutingresources.org.uk

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Beavers & Cubs

Saturday 8th April
Easter Egg Hunt
Hargreaves campsite
See a Beaver leader for details

Cubs

Friday 5th May
Athletics Badge
Mayesbrook Arena
6:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Scouts

18/19th March
Scout Rally/Maurice Pass
Thriftwood
Speak to Baggy for details

All Sections

Sunday 23rd April
St. George's Day Parade
St. Mary's, Grafton Road
Full details to follow

Slam Dunk!



Troy Selvey
Position: Centre
Height: 6' 9"

On Saturday 25th February we went to support the Essex & Herts Leopards Basketball Team at Goresbrook Leisure Centre. It was a brilliant night out with some exciting play and other interesting highlights (including the Cheerleaders and the arguments!). The Leopards beat the Kingston Wildcats by 88 to 75 by the end of the night (and we won the raffle!).

My thanks to the Cubs and Scouts that attended and a big thank you to Simon Reed for organising the event, negotiating a discount and driving us around in the minibus.

We are thinking of having a big district event at another Leopards match, perhaps next year. Make sure you get your name down early because it is a brilliant night out and places will be strictly limited.

Athletics Badge



All the Cubs in the District will have their chance to gain the Athletics Badge on Friday 5th May. Full details of the badge can be found at:

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/library/hqdocs/badges/cub-activity-at.htm>

Other Badges & Camps



The Cubs are going to start working on their Air Activities badge in March. Camp forms for the May Cub Camp and the August Pack Holiday for Cubs will be available next week.

Camp forms for the Scout Hike Camp and Week Camp in August will be available within a few weeks once details have been settled with various campsites.

Upcoming Events



A list (on green paper) of some important events has been distributed.

We need to know if you can or cannot make any of the events so we can rearrange our programme and camps if need be.

Please speak to a leader and add your name to the blue forms.

For example:

Hike Camp - Scouts & Explorers

Tuesday 30th May 2006 (midnight) to Saturday 3rd June 2006

Survival & Fun Camp - Scouts & Explorers

Saturday 29th July 2006 to Saturday 5th August 2006

Activity Day - Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers

Saturday 5th August 2006