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Akela's Shout

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE 9TH BARKING & DAGENHAM SCOUT GROUP

News in brief News in brief News in brief News in brief

Beavers - Look forward to an action packed new year
Cubs - Get training for the Chess
Scouts - Prepare yourself for the Mark Sutton
2003 - Calendar of events for the upcoming year.

Akela says...

Hi everyone, Happy New Year to you all.

I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year celebrations and break from work. I hope 2003 will be another good year for the 9th with lots of activities and camps and maybe a few trophies.

I must apologise for not having the Christmas raffle but I completed forgot about it (old age). We will be having a quiz shortly, watch the notice board for the date, place and time.

I understand the carol service went well, I was delayed on my journey but I did arrive in time to see Rebecca Ratford and Billy Marbe collect their Jack Petchey certificates. If you want to know more about this award the please ask Mr T, Baggy or myself. A few more Beavers, Cubs and Scouts attending would have been nice.

December Camp went very well all be it that it was very cold. I had a nice thick coat, hat, gloves and scarf and I was as warm as toast. All the cubs and scouts enjoyed themselves.

That's it from me

See you soon, take care

Akela

Chess Competition

If you can play chess (you must understand the rules of chess but it does not matter if you are a grandmaster or a novice) and wish to enter the District Chess Competition on 17th January then please speak to Baggy as soon as possible.

It would be very helpful if you could supply your own chess board.

Pantomime

1st February, £9 per person.
Open to Beavers and Cubs. Please see Mr T if you want to go

Fundraising

Watch the notice board for details of the quiz.

Scouts - www.scouts.org.uk **Scoutbase -** www.scoutbase.org.uk **County -** www.glne-scouts.org.uk
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Beavers

No upcoming events

Cubs

Saturday 17th January
Chess
17th B&D HQ
See Baggy for more details

Saturday 8th February
Swimming Gala
Dagenham Pool

Scouts

Saturday 17th January
Chess
17th B&D HQ
See Baggy for more details

Saturday 25th January
Mark Sutton
10th/18th HQ
See a leader for more details

Saturday 8th February
Swimming Gala
Dagenham Pool

Camps

Friday 2nd to Monday 5th May
District Camp
Belchamps
Cost £35

Friday 23rd - Monday 26th May
Camp
Thriftwood
Cost will be approx £40
Open to all cubs

Sat 16th - Saturday 23rd August
Pack Holiday
Cost will be approx £100
Open to all cubs

Please remember you can pay weekly or monthly for these camps to help you budget.

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2003 Diary Dates

January:

18th Chess Competition
Cub / Scout /Explorer
at 17th HQ

25th Mark Sutton Comp
Scout
at 10/18th HQ

February:

8th District Swimming Gala
Cub / Scout

March:

2nd Founder's Day Service
All Sections
at St. Patrick's 3pm

7th / 8th Handcraft Competition
Beaver / Cub

April:

12th Beaver Egg Hunt
Beavers
at Hargreaves

12/13th Scout Rally & Maurice Pass
Pioneering Competition
Scouts
at Thriftwood

May:

2nd - 5th District Camp 2003
Cubs / Scouts
at Belchamps

10th Scout Incident Hike
Scouts

June:

6th Cub Athletes Badge
Cubs
at Mayesbrook Arena (tbc)

14th Five-a-side Football
Beavers / Cubs / Scouts
at May & Bakers Sports Ground

28th Sports Day
Cubs / Scouts
at Mayesbrook Arena (tbc)

July:

5/6th St George's Camping Competition and Len Bridge Challenge Trophy
Scouts
at Thriftwood

5th Magic Night
at Ripple Hall

12/13th Dagenham Town Show

19th ? Cub Fun Day
Cubs
at Hargreaves

August:

16th-23rd Pack Holiday
Cubs

September:

27/28th Sixers Camp
Cub (Sixers only)

October:

18th Cub Quiz
Cubs

November:

15th Jungle Rally
Cubs

December:

6th Carol Service
All sections

13th Cyclo Cross
Scouts

These are the main events for 2003. There may well be other events planned in the meantime and they exclude other events such as group outings.

We are likely to have several outings in August as the hall will be closed and we normally have a Camp in December. This is in addition to any other camps we may wish to organise.

The Scouts often organise trips and days out and the leaders may well plan extra events or training days for them too.

Please keep an eye on each months Akela's Shout and the noticeboard.