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Akela's Shout

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE 9TH BARKING & DAGENHAM SCOUT GROUP

Akela says...

Hi everyone, hope this issue of the shout find you well.

Sorry that this is another late issue but we were at camp and didn't have time to make the press deadline. Because last month shout was held up at printing the first half of the months events were reported in that issue. So here are the end of the month's events.

18th May - Group outing to Duxford air museum.
This was a very enjoyable day out for all those who attended although it was a bit windy. I can now say I have been on Concorde.

28th May - Group AGM
Thank you to all those parents who turned up for the AGM. I am sorry the start time was earlier than in previous years but I thought it would be better to have it at the start of Beavers and Cubs than half way through. Next year we will be back to 7.30

31st May –3rd June - Weekend camp
The sun shone all weekend, the cubs gained 2 badges and we had water fight in honour of the Queens Jubilee. I had a great time and I know the cubs did.

8th June - Beavers, Cubs, & Scouts world cup (sorry I got carried away) football competition.
Well done to Beavers Lauren Morley and Drew Searle. They came joint 1st with all the other colonies.

Well done to the cubs they were runners up. The team were

Geoff Morley	Lewis Sibbons
James Godfrey	Adam Godfrey
Alex Searle	Michael Jago
James Wilkinson	

The scouts entered 2 teams. Well done to both, they didn't make it to the next round. The teams were

A team	B team
Joanne Noonan	Rebecca Ratford
John Gazley	Jenny Lewis
Robbie Stokes	Tracey Martin
John Noonan	Hayley Barham
Daryl Collins	Sam Harvey

Well done everyone.

As you know we will be closed for August. We hope to be taking the cubs and scouts ice-skating on Tuesday the 6th at the usual cub and scout times and on Tuesday the 13th we hope to go as a group to the Tower of London. This is being organised by one of the scouts as part of her badge work. Letters re cost, times and a permission form should be out soon. For the remaining 2 weeks, one we are away at pack holiday and the 27th August we will be shut.

That's it for this month we hope to be back to our normal issue date 1st Tuesday in the month from July.

Akela

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Beavers

No events for this month

Cubs

Saturday 22nd June
Fun Day
Hargreaves
10:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Saturday 29th June
Sports Day
Venue - tbc
12:00 p.m. for 12:30 p.m. start

Sunday 21st July
Conservation Badge
Millennium Centre
10:00 - 2:30

Scouts

Saturday 29th June
Sports Day
Venue - tbc
12:00 p.m. for 12:30 p.m. start

6/7th July
Camping Competition
More details to follow

Tue 25th June, 2/9/16 July
Saturday 20th July
Pioneering Badge
Thriftwood
Details to follow

Camps

Fri. 26th Jul. - Sun. 28th Jul.
Cherry Wood, Purfleet
Cost £20
Please see Baggy/Akela for permission form

Sat. 18th Aug. - Sat. 24th Aug.
Southampton, Cost £100
Places available to all cubs & scouts

Fri. 6th Dec. - Sun. 8th Dec.
Thriftwood, Cost £35
Open to all cubs/scouts/helpers/leaders

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

Pioneer Badge

With regard to the Pioneer badge, this is held at Thriftwood campsite. We will be taking the mini bus providing it passes its MOT. This will only hold 11 scouts so therefore we will need some help with transport. If we have enough parents volunteer we could perhaps have a rota system. Please let Teabag or me know if you can help. Thanks

Akela

On me head!

Congratulations to all those Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, helpers and parents who attended the football competition on Saturday.

All teams played very well and in fact did very well...the Beavers came 1st, the Cubs 2nd, the Scouts A team narrowly missed out on a placing due to a slim goal difference and the Scouts B team...well...err….they were certainly improving and managed to get the goal deficit down to 5 per match by the end of the day.

Seriously...both Scout teams won an award for Sportsmanship and effort and to me that was worth more than the trophy itself…

A special thank you to our two 'managers', Mr Godfrey who managed the Cub team and Mr Jago who looked after the Scouts B Team... thank you both for your time and for doing an excellent job.

Beaver 7-a-side

Special mention goes to Lauren Morley and Andrew Searle for turning up and playing brilliantly.

As so few Beavers attended the event it was agreed that all groups would achieve joint 1st Place.

Camp

We had a weekend camp for the Cubs...I had a brilliant time - never mind about the kids!

Highlights include the 'Street party', the long trek, 'scavenger hunt', the 'snowy England game', water fight, the 'England vs Sweden game', campfire among others… if you want to find out what these were then you need to speak to someone who went to camp…

Camps are getting more and more expensive for me as I get older…

Frisbee - £1.20 for 2 goes
(lost in tree)

Bouncy Ball - £1 for 1 go
(lost in bush)

Skateboard - £10 for ½ go
(fell off and hurt myself)

Water Pistol - £25 for a few goes
(doesn't shoot far enough now)

Aeroplane - £1.75 for a few goes
(lost the wings on the roof)…

Gyroscope - £5 for a few goes
(wobbles like a good-un now)

CoolerRucksack - £5 for 1 go
(turns into a swimming pool)

Then again good 'buys' include:

Water Rockets (old favourites... brilliant at soaking the launcher)

Stomp Rockets (good fun and easy to do...Cubs keep taking over though)

Lantern (very bright torch...like instant daylight for 4 square miles)

Rumours that I had 1 bag of personal gear and 3 boxes of 'toys' are unfounded...it was only 2 boxes of toys!

For those that are going to camp in August I would recommend getting a nice strong pair of waterproof boots, good waterproofs and a small but good waterpistol (you'll find out why when you get there!)