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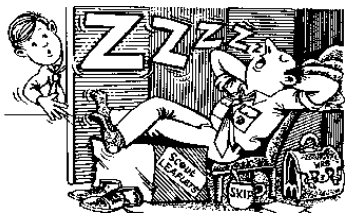

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Akela's Shout

Hi everybody,

Welcome to the 1st issue of the Shout of the 21st Century and the Millennium. I hope this finds you well and all the hangovers from your Christmas & New Year celebrations are gone. Also I hope Father Christmas brought you the presents that you wanted.

I am sorry that we didn't manage to print the Shout in December and perhaps that is why we only had one Cub turn up for the Beaver & Cub Carol Service on the 8th December and one Scout for the Cyclo Cross on the 4th December. Thank you Chris Eve and Andreas Vassiliou.

There were a few competition results from November. Well done to everyone who took part.

Tobi Trott was Runner-up in the Connect 4 competition. We have 4 cubs and 2 scouts from this group representing this District in the County Chess Competition in March, so good luck to them.

This year in both the Cub and Scout sections we will be helping the boys/girls to gain more proficiency badges so if we send them home with some work to complete can you please make sure they do it and return it to us the next week. This also applies to progress awards. There is a lot of work involved in gaining these badges so please help your son or daughter so that they can do all the requirements to gain these badges.

There is a list of Beaver, Cub & Scout event dates with this copy of the Shout, please make a note of them and encourage your child to enter if possible. Some of the competitions have a limit on the number of children that we can enter so the leaders of each section will let you know if your son/daughter is taking part.

As the year 2000 is a special year there will be a number of camps. The cost for a weekend camp is likely to be in the region of £35 and a weeks camp £100. These camps will be mainly for Cubs & Scouts but if you have a child in the Beavers who is coming up to 8 and is coming into Cubs then this next bit may be of interest to you. We will be operating a Camp Bank where you can pay as much or as little per week or month to suit yourself. You will be given a camp bank card and I will keep a record of your payments.

May I take this opportunity to wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2000

Over to You

Baggy & I write our bit every month for the Shout and at pack and troop night to write a few lines. What we would like to see is a contribution from parents. A short story, a poem, a joke apiece about your job or if you were in the Brownies, Guides, Cubs or Scouts your memories of your time there. So lets hope February is a bumper issue.

Upcoming Events

Akela

Beaver Section

Pantomime
Saturday 22nd January
Cost £8. If you wish your son/daughter to attend, full payment must be made by the 11th January

Scout Section

Mark Sutton Competition
Saturday 29th January
More details nearer the time.

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Church Parade

1st Sunday in every month
We shall be taking part in the Service

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from February so please make sure your son/daughter attends.

Christmas Raffle

The Christmas raffle raised £43. Thank you to all who took part. The results were:

1st Prize Tracey Martin
Christmas Hamper
2nd Prize Mr. T.
Christmas Cards + Wrapping Paper
3rd Prize Mrs Vassiliou

Christmas Selection Box

Well done

Boot Sales

Beginning in the new year as part of our fundraising scheme we intend to have a pitch at local boot sales. If you feel you have any suitable material or if you can spare the time to lend a hand then please speak to one of the leaders. Indeed, if anyone has any fundraising ideas, can supply a service or materials or can just turn up and muck in for an hour or two then the leaders would like to have a quick chat with you.

Homemade Cakes

Beginning in the new year we will have homemade cakes available for sale every Tuesday night in the hall. It would be nice if all the parents could pop into the hall when they collect

their children and have a quick cup of tea and some cake while chatting to the leaders. As above all money collected will be used for group funds.

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Hopefully by now you will have noticed the strange string of letters on the foot of each page of Akela's Shout. Most of you over 30-ish may be scratching your head and mumbling to yourself wondering what on Earth is going on. Well perhaps a short explanation is in order.

A 'http address' is basically a 'website'. A website can be a collection of text, pictures, sound, video (or indeed almost anything) on any subject under the sun. Imagine looking at a colour encyclopaedia that can display small video pictures and play sounds to you and you wont go far wrong. On the internet (the vast collection of computers that allow you to communicate and exchange information across the world) you can find information on almost any topic you can care to think of (look, if there is a discussion forum for talking about sheds you can find anything you want!). You will need a computer with internet access (i.e. A modem and a browser such as Internet Explorer which comes with the Windows operating system) to view the website. Simply type the address exactly as it stands into the address bar of your browser.

The piece of junk at the bottom right is an email address (electronic mail). Using a suitable program (such as Outlook, again it comes with windows) you simply type your message and send it off on its merry way around the world to reach the other person within a matter of minutes. It is just like writing a traditional letter except you just use the computer keyboard and mouse instead of pen and paper, and it is much faster and more convenient.

The Scouting website is created and maintained by myself. It contains a wealth of information on all things Scouting related.

From the website you can view the badge requirements, look at camp programs, find detailed information on most badges. You can have a laugh looking at some pictures of what we get up to and reading about past and future events.

There are hundreds and hundreds of pages and pictures to look at. There are even a few interactive programs and sound files to listen to.

I would be greatly interested to hear of any comments you have regarding the website (and indeed the newsletter), whether they be good or bad! Please feel free to either chat with me or send an anonymous email or message if you want to have a go at me!

Photographs

If you have any photo's you have took of any scouting events then please speak to me. I can scan them in and return them to you very quickly.

"Play it again.... "

Let's have a bit of fun this month. A prize to the person who can name the artist/group and the name of the song from the most of the following extracts. There are two sections, one for the young people and one for the, errr, more mature among us. Answers next month.

"If everybody had a notion, across the USA....."

" ..When its 8, 9, 10, 11 too... I'll be going strong and so will you, we're gonna..."

"..where we sat down. Yeah-eh we

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wept, when we remembered Zion..."

"Here we are, in a room full of strangers, I'm standing in the dark, where your eyes couldn't see me. Well I have to fall, though you did not want me to..."

"Hey baby won't you take a chance. Say that'll let me have this dance..."

"Come one everybody, clap your hands. Ooohh you're looking good. I'm gonna sing my song, it won't take long...."

"Deep down in louisana, across to New Orleans, way back up in the woods among the evergreens. There stood a low cabin made of earth and wood, where there lived a country boy named ....."

"Well I'm the type of guy who'll never settle down. Every girl doll well you'll know I'm around. I kiss them and I love them cause to me they're all the same. I hug em and I squeeze them they don't even know my name..."

"Sitting here eating my heart out baby, waiting for some lover to come. Dialled about a thousand numbers baby, almost wranged the phone of the wall.."

"At first I was afraid, I was petrified. Kept thinking I could never live without you by my side. But then I spent so many nights thinking how you did me wrong, I grew strong, and I learned how to get along..."

"Wellll, look about, look about, look about, look about, oooohhhh eeeee, look about, look about, look about, oooohhhh eeeee,..."

"Five, Four, Three, Two, One....54321, 54321, 54321, 54321,...."

"There she was just walking down the street, singing....."

"My baby don't care for shows, my baby don't for clothes. My baby just cares for ...."

"Here we go, here we go and here we go....."

"For goodness sake, I got the ....."

"There is, a house, in New Orleans. They call the ..... And its been the ruin of many a poor boy, and god I know I'm one..."

"Start spreading the news, I'm leaving today..."

"When you walk, through a storm, hold your head up high. And don't be afraid of the dark. At the end of the storm, there's a golden sky...."

"Your everywhere and nowhere baby, that's where your at. Going down a bumpy hillside in your hippy hat. Flying across the country and getting fat..."

"Something's in life are bad, they can really make you mad, other things just make you swear and curse. When you're chewing on life's gristle don't grumble, give a whistle..."

"I though love was only true in fairy tales. Meant for someone else but not for me. Love was out to get me. That's the way it seemed. Disappointment haunting all my dreams. Then I saw her face..."

"I believe in miracles, where you from, you..."

Now lets warp forward in time a little....

"You treated me bad, now what can I say. You told you loved me, but it never felt that way. I tried so hard to carry on but you left me, left me alone. Now you're trying to say, I don't treat you this way. But don't you know I don't need, I don't need your life.. Don't give me your ..."

"Its time to begin, I'm counting in, 5, 6, 7, 8... My boot-scooting baby is driving me crazy. My obsession from a western, my dance floor date. My rodeo romeo, cowboy guy from head to toe..."

"Help me escape this feeling on insecurity. I need you so much, but I don't think you really need me. But if we all stand up and ...."

"Can't you see I don't need you around. When I think of you it brings me down. I turned my back and your at my door. What can I say I don't need you no more. I wrote to you a ...."

"You, and me, we had an opportunity. And we, could make it something really good. But you, you think I'm not that kinda girl, but I'm here to tell you baby I know how to rock your world...."

"So never mind. What you gonna do? Easy come, come the way you go. I'll never find what I'm looking for. Easy come, come and give me more...."

"Whooahahahh.. Vengaboys back in town...."

"We've come a long long way together, through the hard times and the good. I have to celebrate you baby, I have to ...."

"Look the movie scene, in the sweetest dream, I have pictured us together. Now to feel your lips, on my fingertips,
Have to say it's even better, than I every though it could possibly be, its perfect, its passion, its setting me free."

"Friday night you and your boys when out to eat, then they hang out but you came home around three. If six of you when out then four of you are really cheap, because only two of you had dinner, I found your credit card receipt"

"Well you look so good, I don't