

Contacts & Resources

District contacts and useful websites

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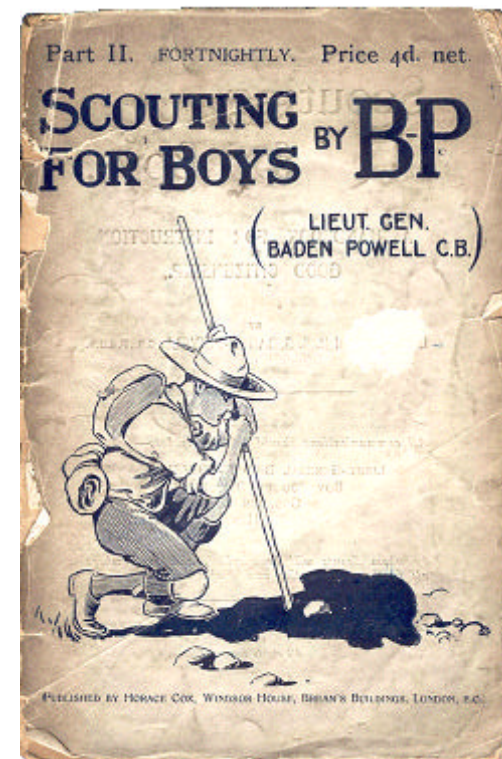
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February 2011

News and information for everyone involved in Scouting in Barking & Dagenham

WOODSMOKE



“There is no teaching to compare with example”

Robert Baden Powell

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www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/

Deadline for January Issue: 20th January

Jill's Jottings

News and views from the DC

A very happy and peaceful New Year to you all.

I know this is a bit belated as for some unknown reason and for the first time ever Darren didn't produce a January edition! Congratulations to Darren, Leigh and Emily on the birth of baby Jack. I saw one photo of him and he looked as if he was tying knots with his drip lines. A Queen's Scout by Beaver age?

Well done to the 10th/18th Scout Group for hosting the Carol Service. A very enjoyable evening. The raffle was drawn at the fellowship band evening and all the prizes have been delivered, a big thank you to those who supported it.

Unfortunately the Cyclo Cross had to be cancelled due to the weather hopefully this will be put into next year's calendar so watch out for details.

It was great to see four youngsters from our district gain their Chief Scouts awards at the recent presentation evening. It is a shame we don't have more. I am looking forward to seeing you all soon.

CRB

The next CRB evening 14th March HQ 700-9.00 at 21st B&D HQ. **Can I remind you that it is your responsibility to ensure that your CRB is valid.** Please



Jill May is the District Commissioner

check the date on yours and make sure you get it renewed in plenty of time. Recently we have had to chase people to get them done and this is not fair on us. Can I also remind you this is probably the best time to get your camp helpers checked as it will allow time for it to come back? Lack of planning on your part does not constitute an emergency on mine!

District Calendar

By now you should have received your copy of the district calendar in your Christmas Card. If you haven't I would like you to do the following.

1. Moan at your GSL for not updating your group's page in the directory.
2. Contact me and I will send you one.
3. Contact Darren Dowling and ask him to put your details in the directory.

As with anything a directory is only useful if it is kept up to date. We need names addresses phone numbers and email addresses.

District Diary

Upcoming Events

February

March

+lots more! Check out <http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/calendar/>

Apologies

Darren Dowling (Editor)

Please accept my apologies for not producing a January edition of Woodsmoke.

My wife was in and out of hospital

for pretty much the whole of December and in the end she had to have an emergency caesarean on Christmas Day.

Our baby boy, Jack Dowling, was born in the early hours of Christmas Day and then spent a week in intensive care.

He came home on New Year's Day and has been well looked after by Leigh and Emily while I start my new job, commuting to and from Carshalton every day.

My thanks to all those who wished us well and a big thank you to everyone who sent their concerns, cards and presents. People have been very generous to us and have enabled Jack to have a good start in life. Our hearts and thoughts continue to hold dear those in our family and our extended family of Scouting.



Training & Appointments

All trained up

Training Dates

Held at the 17th B&D HQ, Wilmington Gardens, 7:15 for 7:30 prompt start. Refreshments provided. All the following dates are on a Wednesday:

With immediate effect please note that you will have to BOOK YOUR PLACE on any future District run Modules.

We cannot continue to hold modules where no-one turns up, if we know the potential numbers booked, we can decide whether it is viable to go ahead or postpone / cancel.

Chris Poole is the Local Training Manager



2011 dates

16/01	Modules 5/6/7	Venue TBA but will be in Newham
02/02	Module 3	17 th B&D HQ
30/03	Module 1	17 th B&D HQ
01/06	Module 3	17 th B&D HQ
03/07	Modules 5/6/7	17 th B&D HQ
07/09	Module 1	17 th B&D HQ
02/11	Module 3	17 th B&D HQ

BEAVER BITS

Start the year off as you mean to go on

Hi all you Beaver leaders and helpers. Well, we all got over Christmas and hopefully all looking forward to the New Year.

We had our second BLM on the 10th January and as you can see from your minutes (for those that have received them) we have sorted out the Hand-craft but I forgot to add Potato Prints

Ken Thompson is the ADC (*Beavers*)

(sorry).

We can't think of much more at present except a Happy New Year to you all.



Founders Day

You are all invited to celebrate the life of our Founder on Sunday 20th February at the Salvation Army Citadel Ripple Road. 2.45-3.00 start. Smart Uniform. The collection

will be in aid of St Francis Hospice. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Training

Congratulations to the leaders from our District who turned up for Module 5,6 and 7, recently. There are more of you that needed that module but didn't come along. Training has to be done, so pull your finger out and stop expecting us to spoon feed you!

The next module is on the 30th March at the 17th HQ Wilmington Gardens. 7.30 p.m.

Health Update

By the time you read this we will have celebrated an extra year that Nikki didn't think she would have. She has reached many of her goals and is an inspiration to us all. Unfortunately the drugs have now stopped working and it will be here sheer determination that keeps her going for as long as possible. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Both our Chairman and Vice Chairman have been sampling the NHS facilities so I would like to wish them both well

Circus Skills Workshop

Wow! What a day we have just had, 60 youngsters from nine groups have taken part in a Circus workshop, tightrope walking, stilts, juggling, pedalo things, plate spinning, feather balancing, and diablos where the bases on offer and they all took part in a mini circus for their parents at the end. They had a brilliant time and loads of photos will be available soon. This was all provided by Rhythm and Balls Juggling/Circus Club. If anyone is interested they have a web site and I can give you the contact details.



3rd Barking and Dagenham (Al Madina) Scout Group



Congratulations to all the young people and Leaders on their recent investiture.

THRIFTWOOD BADGE TEAM

All courses take place at Oak Lodge

Courses from 18th January 2011 to July 23rd 2011

CUB SCOUT MAP READER ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 18th, 25th January 7.00pm to 8.30pm
 Tuesday 1st February 7.00pm to 8.30pm
 Saturday 5th February 9.30am to 11.30am

CUB SCOUT DIY ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 29th March 7.00pm to 8.30pm
 Tuesday 5th, 26th April 7.00pm to 8.30pm
 Tuesday 3rd May 7.00pm to 8.30pm

SCOUT MODEL MAKER ACTIVITY BADGE

New 2011



Tuesday 8th & 15th February 7.30pm to 9.00pm
 Tuesday 1st March 7.30pm to 9.00pm

SCOUT PIONEER ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 10th 17th 24 May 7.30pm to 9.00pm
 Tuesday 7th June 7.30pm to 9.00pm
 Saturday 11th June 9.30am to 2.00pm

SCOUT SURVIVAL SKILLS ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 8th, 15th & 22nd March 7.30pm to 9.00pm
 Saturday 26th March 9.30am to 2.00pm

SCOUT DIY ACTIVITY BADGE

New 2011



Tuesday 14th 21st 28th June 7.30pm to 9.00pm
 Tuesday 5th July 7.30pm to 9.00pm

LEADERS TRAINING COURSES

T.B.A

Tuesday 12th 19th July 7.30pm to 9.30pm
 Saturday 23rd July 9.30pm to 2.00pm

Book Early

All Courses are £2.00 per night

To book:

Tel: 01708 230014

Email: thriftwoodbadgeteam@gmail.com

CUB CHIT CHAT

Chess

Hi all you Cubby people, I hope you are all well. I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year celebrations.

Well done and thank you to the 10th/18th for the District Carol Service.

Well done and thank you to these Cubs: Deannah, Lily and Patrick all from the 1st B&D who attended the Chess on Saturday 15th and these Scouts: Terence, Declan, Curtis (19th B&D) and Bayo (1st B&D). The results were:

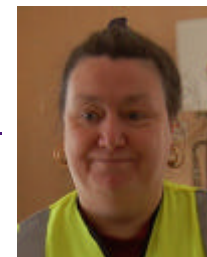
Cubs

1st Lily
 2nd Patrick
 3rd Deannah

Scouts

1st Terence
 2nd Declan
 3rd Bayo
 4th Curtis

They will now represent the District at the County Chess Competitions. The Cub one is on 6th March. I don't know



Rosemary Oakwell is the ADC (Cubs)

when the Scout one is but I will try to find out and let Scott (19th B&D) know as he has agreed to take the Scouts.

I will let you know in my next report how the Circus Skills Day went and also the Scout Mark Sutton event where T and I test the cooking skills of the Scouts.

That's it from me, see you soon, take care

Chilly Akela Rosie.

Akela's antics

Nothing to report as not much has happened apart from another addition to the family, a grandson, Jack, born on Christmas day to Leigh and Darren.

Scouting in GLNE

Paul Fix

Hi All

Happy New Year!

I am please to announce that the County have now introduced a online Notification Form that can be used by Leaders for submitting details of young people who have completed their Chief Scout Award so that they can be invited to the County Chief Scouts Award Evenings at Gilwell Park.

Full details can be found in the documents online, this new process can be used instead of sending the Chief Scouts Award Notifications postcards to Barbara, however these can still be completed if this is the desired option.

Copies of all the documents will be posted to Section Leaders and Group

Scout Leaders .

I'm sure you will agree that this a positive step forward in the quest to make things easier for section leaders!!

Any questions or feedback please let me know and then I can update any of the documentation

Exchange

Malcolm Beerling

Barking.

This exchange has now been going for 50 years. A party of 35 Scouts, Explorers and leaders will be going to Denmark this summer for two weeks, camping for one week followed by home hospitality – just the same as 50 years ago.

To celebrate this remarkable achievement, we are holding a reunion on Saturday 12th March 2011 at St Mary's Church Hall, Grafton Road, Dagenham from 4 pm until 9 pm. We are hoping to contact as many Scouts and leaders from the 60's right through to the present time of 2011, to join us on that day.

So, if you were at any time connected with the exchange, either at camp in England or Denmark or if your family offered home hospitality or you know of anyone who did, please contact me

We would love to see as many people as possible on the day together with any photos, memorabilia etc.

English/Danish Exchange Camps 50th Anniversary 1961 – 2011

The Danish exchange with the 29th Barking Scout Group started in July 1961 with a party of Scouts and Senior Scouts from the 17th and 29th Groups and Scouters, led by Norman Otagiri, the then DC of

Box of Ideas

'Programmes in a Box' is a year's supply of 40 weekly programmes for Beaver Colonies, Cub Packs and Scout Troops (12 for Explorer Scout Units), written by experienced section leaders from across London. Whether you're looking for a few new ideas, or you want enough programmes for every week of the year, 'Programmes in a Box' can help you out!

Russ Dyble (Development Officer GLN)

The CD-Rom or printed booklets include 40 weekly programmes (and all required resources) for Beaver Scouts, Cub Scouts and Scouts and 20 for Explorer Scouts, following a four year rolling plan, ensuring a balanced programme including two activity badges and one challenge badge each term. The 2010/11 edition of "Programmes in a Box" is available to pre-order at <http://bit.ly/piab2010> - We accept Paypal through our site, but if you would prefer to print an order form and post a cheque, one is available. For more information, please email orders@programmesinabox.co.uk or contact Russ Dyble, Project Co-ordinator 01442 262686.

Table Top Sale

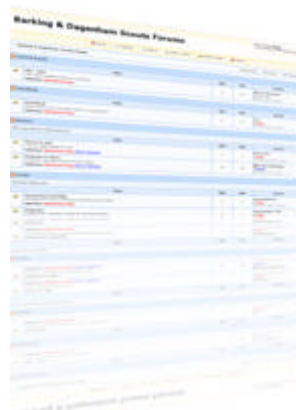
The 10th/18th B&D are having a Table Top Sale on Saturday 12th February from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Akela (10th/18th B&D)

The cost of booking a table is £8.

If anyone is interested in having a table, please ring Loraine Hardiman to book.

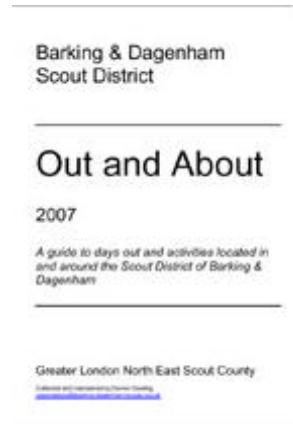
Forum



The forum allows you to chat with leaders and Scouts within the District. Why not share ideas and take advantage of the wealth of information and resources that

are to be found on the forums.

Out & About



Out and About is a guide to days out and activities located in and around the Scout District of Barking & Dagenham.

All this and much more at

www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/

Forms



The forms available on this page may change throughout the year as special events take place (for ex-

ample, the Town Show will require Balloon Race forms to be distributed a couple of months before the actual event

Programmes



Programmes Online - from The Scout Association

Programmes - from Scouting Resources