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# WOODSMOKE



“Happy New Year”

**In this issue:**

**Happy New Year  
Cyclo Cross  
District Carol Service  
2012 Events**

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

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# Jill's Jottings

News and views from the DC

*Wishing you a Happy and Healthy New Year*

I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and didn't eat too much. If you did I will see you at Slimming World, Thursday nights at St Mary's!

A big thank you to the 9<sup>th</sup> for coming to the rescue with our Carol Service, you did really well and at quite short notice. The 19<sup>th</sup> have shown a wish to host next year (I don't know whether Scott has told Graham yet)

Hopefully you all got your Christmas cards and calendar, I realised, too late, that where there is a husband and wife I only put in one copy, I am sorry, more will be available at your sectional meeting. Scott's phone no was also wrong I believe he will update his details in his bit.

Best Wishes to all of you

## Training

The next module 5, 6, 7, is being held at the 17<sup>th</sup> HQ on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January. This is only held twice a year and the next will be in Newham. This is a compulsory module so if you haven't done please make every effort to come along. It would help if you could email but you can just turn up. Comfy warm clothes and packed lunch needed. Module 3 is 1<sup>st</sup> Feb again at 17<sup>th</sup>. See you there!



**Jill May** is the District Commissioner

## CRB

Can I remind you that the next CRB is 16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 7-9 at the 21<sup>st</sup> HQ.

## Treasurer

Ray Purdy has recently had a stroke so please do not try to contact him. Alec is holding paying in books etc at present and Angie will be taking over sometime during January. I will be having a GSL ADC and DL meeting when you can all meet her. Obviously we all wish Ray a speedy recovery and wish Angie the very best of luck in her new role.

## Census.

As you know that time of year is coming up soon. I have had an email from HQ apologising that we haven't had our details yet. Please ensure that when you do get them, you fill in ALL the details as accurately as you can and within the time given. I had hoped someone else would be doing the census this year but no, so please help me by getting it in on time. If you can't input it yourself give me plenty of time to do it and a reward!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Barking and Dagenham

Congratulations to the 3<sup>rd</sup> for holding their first AGM last Sunday. A very enjoyable morning, with good support from the parents. It doesn't seem possi-

# District Diary

Upcoming Events

<b>January</b>
<b>February</b>
+lots more! Check out <a href="http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/calendar/">http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/calendar/</a>
Please note, these details may be subject to change. The online calendar contains the latest details.

# CUB CHIT CHAT

## Happy New Year

Hi all you Cubby people, Happy New year to you all.

I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas and New Year celebrations and are now rearing to put the out into Scouting in 2012.

Nothing much to report from last year except to say well done and thank you to all who attended the short notice carol service. Well done to the 9<sup>th</sup> who told the nativity but in a completely different way. My thanks to the three Scouts from the 19<sup>th</sup> who stood in as kings on the night.

I went to the leaders get together at the Eva Hart, only planned to stay an hour or so but ending up staying till 11.45. A really good night just chatting and having a laugh. I would say if you have never been then give it a try this year.

I hope all competitions will be better attended this year, if you can attend the please send your Cubs along. The same applies to all sections if leaders can make it see the kids.

With regards to section meetings please remember anyone can attend, another leader, a helper or a parent as long as the information gets back to you. The next meeting is at the 21<sup>st</sup> HQ on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

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**Rosemary  
Oakwell** is the  
*ADC (Cubs)*

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The District Cub Leaders will be making visits to you at least once a term in the new year so if there are any dates where you are busy and would not welcome a visit please let me know. I would also like you to check your email address with me to make sure I have the right one to send the minutes.

I have already booked two camps for next year so if you would like your Cubs to attend please let me know and I will get the forms to you. The dates are:

1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> June – Thriftwood, cost £45

18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> August – Hesley Wood, Sheffield, cost £150

I look forward to seeing you at the Cub leaders meeting.

That's it from me, take care

Chilly Akela Rosie

ble that they have now been with us for a year. Keep up the good work.

### **Wood Badges**

Congratulations to Paul Robinson, Maggie Robinson and Robert McNaughton on the completion of their wood badges. They will be presented shortly.

### **Mark Sutton.**

Can I ask that if your scouts are entering the Mark Sutton they bring trainers with them. The upper hall floor, where we hold the first aid base has had major renovation and the floor redone. The ruling now is white soled trainers, as we are the first outside letting it wouldn't be good if we marked it.

Thanks.

# BEAVER BITS

## Merry Christmas

Hi all my little Beaver family, hope you all had a great Christmas and Santa brought you all your lovely goodies you wanted. I got all I wanted bar one, maybe next year. I would like to thank all of you who made the effort to attend the Carol Service as it was at short notice, it's a shame all the Jack Petchey winners could not attend it would have been nice for Jill to have handed out all the awards.

Well I must apologize to all you Beaver leaders as I missed the December County meeting and as of yet I have nothing to update you with, hopefully I will have the minutes by the next meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> January at the 6<sup>th</sup>

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**Ken Thompson** is the ADC (*Beavers*)

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HQ at 8pm. already have had some apologize and thanks to those leaders.

Well can't think of much more to say except a very happy new year to you all and I hope I can do better next year for all of you, many thanks

T-Bag ADC Beavers

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# SCOUT SHOUT

## Happy New Year

The Scout Cyclo-Cross was a big disappointment as only one Scout turned up and the leaders where very brassed off and cold!

On to the District Carol Service, not a lot turned up but a BIG thank you to those of you that did.

Please note my mobile number has been printed incorrectly in the 2012 District calendar.

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**Scott Dobson** is the ADC (*Scouts*)

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