



P.G. TIPS

The Newsletter of Pinkneys Green Scout Group



July 2007

GROUP NEWS

Family Fun Day

We are holding a family fun day on the Green opposite the Scout Hall

Date: **Sunday 8th July 2007, 12.30noon – 4.00pm**

After a very successful event last year we have decided to hold it again, All Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Young Leaders and their families are invited too attend. There will be various games, including the bouncy Boxing ring, rounders, volleyball etc, as well as Baloo organising a special game for the youngsters in the woods.

There will be a Bar-b-que as well as refreshments

We hope that friends and families of PG members will be able to attend
During the afternoon we will be holding a short AGM, at 2.00pm



Thank You for a Successful Day at the Fair

Our Group fair on Sunday was very successful thanks to the many parents and friends of the group who turned out to help. We all produced an excellent afternoon of entertainment not only for our group members but also for lots of local residents. Thank you to everyone for your contributions.

A few special thanks go to our sleepover team of Philip and Edward Kersey and Keith and Harry Wheeler; our towing team of Simon Hemsley and Andrew Ashe; Phil Bristow our facilities co-ordinator and Maureen Hoggarth who organised the Dog Show. Also extra thanks go to those who volunteered on both Saturday and Sunday

Special thanks goes to Jane Courtier for organising the fair, on her own. As we go to press we think we have raised approx £3,200, which is up on last year. This will go towards the cost of our New Solid Scout Hall floor, we are having laid this summer

Below taking per stall, before expenses

Bric a brac	£122.37	Throw a Light bulb	£132.97
Tombola	£410.67	Bowling for a Pig	£60.60
Bar-b-que	£626.65	Darts	£98.00
Bar	£451.30	Roll a coin+Catch a Fish	£63.20
Roller Coaster	£43.00	Soft Toys	£20.90
Wonky Donkey	£78.40	Lollipop Tree	£23.58
Books	£248.91	Ping Pong	£33.80
Plants	£137.03	Lucky Dip	£29.90
Boxing Ring	£29.30	Roll the Ball	£35.80
Face Painting	£46.00	Football	£69.90
Refreshments	£263.65	Dog Show	£47.40
Coconut Shy	£133.40	Pimms Bar	£322.00
Raffle	£423.00		

Pinkneys Green Scouts




MARQUEE FOR HIRE

Large Marquees 20ft x 40ft
or White Tent 14ft x 24ft

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Contact Erica on 01628-623154

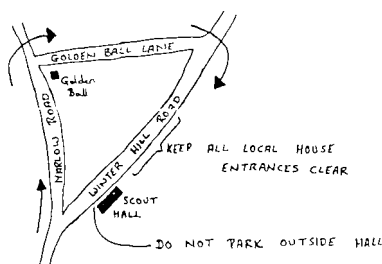
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Rubbish – Black Sacks

A big thank you goes to all the Beaver, Cub & Scout parents, plus leaders who have taken a black sack of rubbish home from the Scout Hall. If we paid for a contractor (inc the council) it would cost us between £250-£300 a year to have our rubbish collected.

So you are all helping to save us money

PLEASE SUPPORT US - If you see a black sack of rubbish in the porch – take it home and put it in your Wheelie Bin



ONE-WAY SYSTEM

May we remind Parents to operate a One Way System when dropping off or collecting your son(s) from Beavers on Monday evenings, Cubs on Wednesday evenings or Scouts on Friday evenings, **also don't turn your cars around in their driveways.**

**Drive Past Winter Hill Road; turn right at Lemon Tree down
Golden Ball Lane, turn right down Winter Hill Road**



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Every quarter we get a commission cheque dependant on the amount YOU spend. This is a very easy effort less way to raise money for the group. We have raised over £350 thanks to PG Online Shoppers.

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PHOTOCOPYING:

We are producing a booklet for Summer camp and are looking for help with photocopying it – It is approx 60 pages long and we are looking for 65 copies

If you can help do some copies (even the odd 50 sheets), please contact Simon ASAP

PG Yellow Tee Shirts

Raksha has the yellow PG Activity shirts for sale. These are worn by Beavers, Cubs & Scouts as part of their activity gear (When they take their uniform shirts off) Scouts all need them as part of their activity gear. The price cost £6 each. They are available from Raksha (Sheila Stinton) 76, Pinkneys Road Tel: Mhd 628160

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BEAVER NEWS

It has been a fun time of year for the Beavers who recently went on a day trip to the centenary camp. All the Beavers who attended the camp on the Saturday thoroughly enjoyed the experience of going around the different activities that were set up. These included sliding down the aerial runway, communicating via radio in the communications tent, going through a maze made of straw, and climbing up on stacked crates.

In the last few weeks at Beavers, the boys have been able to play outside on the green and in the woods due to the nice weather. They have been running about and doing activities such as an obstacle course and wonky donkey.

There are six new beavers to the troop who are *Alex Norris, Oliver Isted, Henry Durrant, Isaac Gordon-Smith, Jake Milston* and *Harry Climpson*. We would like to welcome them all and their parents to the troop, and wish them a good time!

Sadly, as we get new beavers, we have to loose some, so *Patrick Ashe* and *Cameron Aird* are moving on up to cubs and we are sure we will see them again the future.

Finally, we would like to thank the young leaders and parents who helped the beavers enjoy themselves at the centenary camp!



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CUB NEWS

The week after half term week, the Cubs organised a litter clearing session on the National Trust Land and in the woods opposite the Scout Hall. The boys always enjoy this and usually manage to unearth some pretty strange items. Thank you to every one who helped collect the rubbish.



Three Cubs, *Harry Sackman, Jordan Day-Hunt* and *Richard Hurst* have completed their moving up award and will be moving up to Scouts at the end of June, we would like to wish them every success in the Troop.

The weather has been interesting, especially as we are outside on Wednesday evenings the last month we have rotational fire lighting and cooking, pitching patrol tents, and laying and following a trail. Parents be warned – you never know what state you might have to take your son home in!

Don't forget Cub Camp on 7-9 September

SCOUT NEWS



SUMMER CAMP – Brecon

This is the most important activity of the scouting year and puts his training into practice. We have booked activities for the Scouts attending, including Pony Trekking, Gorge Walking, Climbing

We are taking 47 Scouts & leaders from 20th July to 3rd August 2007

Can Parents please return permission to camp / medical form to Simon by 7th July – so he can get it photo copied

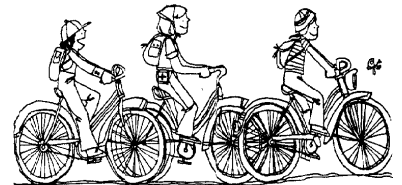
Special thanks go to Alan Hoskins who has offered to drive the lorry to /from camp,

Cycling

In the last couple of weeks, two Scouts have had accidents while cycling, they both ended up in hospital. The one who broke his colour bone helmet saved him from more serious injury.

Can all Parents and Scout / Explorers note the following:

- (i) Any Scout / Explorer who cycles to the Scout Hall must have his bike in a roadworthy condition with working front and back lights
- (ii) All Scouts/Explorers Cycling to/from Scout activities wear a Cycle Helmet.
- (ii) That their bike is securely locked in the compound - We have had bikes stolen from outside the hall..



Welcome to the Troop

We would like to welcome three Cubs, *Jordan Day-Hunt, Richard Hurst and Harry Sackman*, who have completed their moving up award and have made their Scout Promises and been invested as Scouts. We would like to welcome them and their families to the Troop

Beaver Meeting

The Scouts are running Beavers on Monday 2nd July. We will be getting Beavers to pitch patrol tents. We are looking for Scouts to help run the evening. Young Leader Alex Jones, is co-ordinating the Scouts, if you are able to help, please let Alex know Don't leave it to others – We need your help - SCOUTS

Laminating – Covers Summer Camp Booklet

We are looking for someone to laminate the cover for our Summer Camp Booklets
55 A4 Sheets of paper

Printing Cover – Summer Camp Booklet

The cover for this years Summer Camp Booklet is a A4 Sheet in Colour – Help required to print this in colour

If you can help with either of the above, please contact Simon either by email: pgtips@pgscouts.org.uk or call Mhd 623910

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

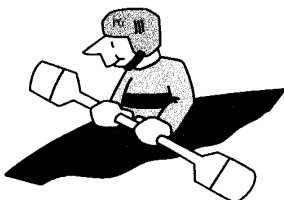
As normal, Scouts will continue to meet during the School Summer Holidays. We hope to be arranging some special trips and activities - Friday evening 6.50pm - 9.10pm -. Uniform is not to be worn, Activity Dress is (PG Tee Shirt, plain shorts and old trainers) Don't forget to bring a coat, if it looks wet.

Please check your *Thursday* emails each week to see if there are any special instructions.

District Water Activities Day

Alex Shell, Alan Tarleton, Thomas Murrell, Charlie Fidler, Michael Cousins, Jim Bunn, William Boothman, Aaron Burton, James Corbitt, Kieran Patel, Harry Wheeler, Andrew Duff, plus leaders: Rob Ayre & Simon too part in the District Water Activity day at Longridge, joining other Scouts / leaders from all over Maidenhead. The Scouts will take part in *sailing, canoeing, kayaking, climbing, rafting and gig pulling.*

Thank you goes to all the leaders & helpers who gave up their time to help run the weekend.



Troop Meetings – Uniform

Can we remind all Scouts & Parents, that we are a member of a Uniform Organisation? **We expect all Scouts** to wear Full Scout Uniform to Troop Meetings. Scout Uniform consists of Green Scout Shirt, Blue Scout Cargo Trousers or Blue Scout Association Shorts, Scout Belt, Scout Woggle, and PG Scarf. Also to bring a pair **the Scout Association Blue Shorts**, plus Yellow PG tee Shirt. Scout Uniform can be purchased from Maidenhead Scout Shop – Wednesday evenings. PG Tee Shirts are purchased from Raksha (76, Pinkneys Road)



Those Scouts going on Summer Camp will need two PG tee Shirts

Summer Fair

Thank you goes to all the Scouts (this year all but 5 Scouts helped) and parents who supplied items for the Tombola, we nearly had 500 items, and took over £450 on the Tombola.

Also thanks goes to all the Scouts who helped set the fair up, helped on the day either on the tombola or the other side shows and those helped packed up

Simon Wheeler

PG JAMBOREE NEWS



The PG Four Mark Courtier, James Kirk, Toby Ayre & Alex Robins to go on the World Jamboree, as part of the Berkshire contingent.

The PG four will be departing on Thursday 26 July from the University of Reading for World Jamboree campsite at Hyland's Park in Essex. To coincide with the centenary of Scouting, the 2007 World Scout Jamboree is in the United Kingdom. 40,000 people, composed of 32,000 Unit members and 8,000 staff, will be gathering from over 200 countries for 12 days at the magnificent grounds of Hyland Park in Eastern England.



They will camp, live and work alongside each other. They will come from a variety of different cultures, backgrounds, and religions. Together they will celebrate what unites them, and learn what they can do together to help build a better world. The theme of the 21st World Scout Jamboree in 2007 is "**One World, One Promise**" - which captures the aspirations and hopes of young people for the future. The opening ceremony will see a Scout from every nation and a cheer as each country's flag is brought into the arena.

On 1 August 1907, Scouting's Founder Robert Baden-Powell blew his kudu horn on Brownsea Island at 8 O'clock in the morning to open the world's first Scout camp. Soon thereafter, Scouting began to quickly spread around the world and now exists in 216 countries and territories. Wednesday 1 August 2007 will truly be a remarkable day that everyone will remember for the rest of his or her lives. This is the day that Scouts all over the world will wake to watch the sunrise and celebrate Scouting's Sunrise and our centenary. Scouts from every nation remake their promise. (PG will be holding our own event of the Green opposite the Scout Hall) There will also be taking part a wide range of on-site and off-site adventurous and community activities throughout the duration of the jamboree.

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To use for carrying Water. Do you have a Swimming Pool or know of some one who has one The containers used to fill the pools with chlorine are ideal

Transport some Scaffold Poles

We need to transport some Scaffold poles from a house in Pinkneys Road to Scout Hall Do you have a vehicle that has a roof rack or know of someone who has a vehicle that would can help us

Baby Baths

We are looking for another baby bath, due to the one we had getting damaged

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We are looking for Free, the Following items:

A4 plain or Coloured paper	Empty Ice Cream Containers
HP4 laser printer toner	Used postage Stamps
Ref: 92298A	
Large Elastic Bands (Like postman use)	Pens / Pencils

If you can help with any of the above, please contact a Scouter; email us at pgtips@pgscouts.org.uk or phone Simon on Mhd 623910

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