



GROUP NEWS

August 2011

Obituary

Daphne Bateman (nee Distin)

Daphne died on Sun 3rd July 2011 aged 83. Daphne had a long history with Pinkneys Green Scout Group, her husband Arthur was a Cub, Scout and Rover Scout. Her family are still very much involved with us her daughter Avril (Chil) one of our cub leaders and son Trevor a trustee. Carol her other daughter was a Cub Leader before emigrating to Canada. Daphne's connection with the group was life long, during the 70's she was a cub leader and then an active member of the Executive committee, now known as the Parents support Group. She helped organise many fund raising events. Daphne and Arthur used to run the village shop in Golden Ball lane and used to organise the Christmas Parcels for the elderly, the cubs still do this annual event and sing carols to the recipients. Daphne was also the last stop on incident and night hikes as she would make hot chocolate for the cubs at the end of these evening. She continued to be a great supporter attending all fund raising and social events

Group (Family) Camp

A Big Thank you goes to everyone who attended our Group Camp at Stubbings

We had an enjoyable weekend, despite the wet weather. With 100+ Cubs Scouts, Leaders and Helpers camping in PG Contingent, plus over 40 family Units, which made up over 150 campers, including 14 Beavers and their families, (Over 250 camping) We also had approx 100 visitors over the weekend which was made up of PG families and friends.

There was a busy Programme, a large selection of photoes on web Site www.pgscouts.org.uk

Activities included, air rifle shooting, nature quiz with National Trust ranger, Maidenhead Astronomical Society did talks and displays, Ground Survey with their surveying equipment, hat making out of natural materials and plaster casts. There were competitive games, beat the goalie, water relay and tug of war, On the Saturday Night a Hogg Roast was held, then we finished the evening with a camp fire Drinking Chocolate and bed. On the Sunday we held a Scouts Own, followed by a quiz walk and circus skills. Can we thank all the leaders, young leaders and parents for their hard work, before and durring & after the camp

Congratulations



Catherine Weeks - Wood Beeds

Erica Hunter – 30 Years Service Award

BoB Weingarth – 20 Years Service Award

At PG's AGM at our Group Camp, Maidenheads District Commissioner Nigel Bevan presented **Wood Beeds**, to Catherine Weeks (Hathi), our Beaver Scout Leader, who had completed her training as a Scout leader. Also he presented our Group Scout Leader, Erica Hunter her 30 year service award, and assistant Scout Leader BoB Weingarth, his 20 years service award. Congratulations go to them all

World Jamboree – Sweden 2011



Earlier this month me and Daniel were part of Berkshire Unit of 36 young people from Berkshire got the amazing opportunity to go on the 22nd world scout Jamboree in Sweden. We also went to Denmark where we explored the wonderful city of Copenhagen and Finland where we stayed with a family complete with a sauna and lake! When on the Jamboree the best thing was walking around and meeting new people from around the world (there were 40,000 scouts from nearly 150 countries!)

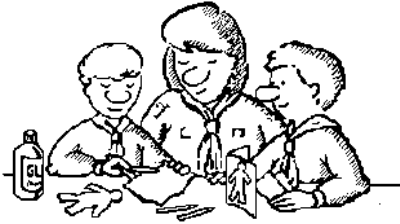
I would also like to take this time to thank everyone who helped with fundraising; it was a fantastic three weeks and all your help is greatly appreciated.

James Ashe

Daniel Mills full report will be in next month's PG Tips

BEAVER NEWS

Beavers had an excellent end to the year last term, with a very successful Family Camp (we had 12 beavers and their families stay), where we were really lucky with the weather and enjoyed all of the activities with the other sections including family games, a hog roast and campfire and a scavenger hunt. The Monday after family camp, the scouts showed the beavers how to pitch the cub tents and the beavers worked hard to put the tents up together and all agreed that it would be very exciting to sleep in them when they become cubs. Our cooking in the woods evening was once again a great success, with the beavers very proud of being able to cook their own dinners of hot dogs and savoury twists! Our last meeting of term, our annual campfire, although a little damp, was great fun, with Benny leading the camp songs and the beavers providing jokes for the amusement of the other beavers and their families. We ended the evening by awarding the badges that had been earned throughout the term (if parents need guidance on where the badges should go, please see the PG website), and gave Beavers a great send off for the year.



Hathi (Catherine Weeks).

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CUB NEWS

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SCOUT NEWS

Summer Holidays

As normal, Scouts will continue to meet during the School Summer Holidays. We hope to be arranging some activities - Friday evening 6.50pm - 9.15pm -. Don't forget to check your emails on a Thursday - for any changes.

Uniform is not to be worn during August just Activity Dress (PG Tee Shirt, plain shorts and old trainers) don't forget to bring a coat, if it looks wet.

Beaver Meeting

A big thank you goes to the eleven Scouts and Young leaders who helped run a special Beaver meeting in July. The Scouts showed the Beavers how to pitch Patrol tents. Once the tents were pitched the Beavers were told a story about camping. The Scouts also organised some fun games.

SUMMER CAMP – Brecon

Forty, plus members of the Troop are currently camping in Wales, at their annual Summer Camp, so far the weather has been fairly good, they had one day of rain, which the scouts survived. They are camping in a field south of Brecon, in the foothills of Pen-Y-Fan.

The Scouts have a busy programme of activities. Photos are being updated on the web www.pgscouts.org.uk

Full report in Septembers PG Tips



Simon Wheeler Scout Leader

STORAGE

Due to Pinkneys Farm being redeveloped, we are no longer able to store in their granary, our Summer Fair side shows, Group Camp central cooking equipment, pantomime equipment and 60 chairs

If you have any ideas where we can store the above equipment or know of a piece of land we can rent to put a large storage shed on Please email us at help@pgtips.org.uk

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