



GROUP NEWS

PANTOMIME – Dick Whittington

Well done to the Scouts & Young Leaders, Cubs and Leaders for taking part in PG's 2017 pantomime Dick Whittington, especially the main cast members, who rehearsed twice a week since Christmas

We would like to thank every one who supported this year's production.

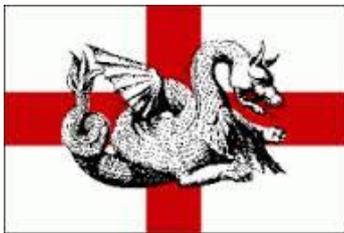
A special thank you goes to *Sheila Stinton* (Raksha), *Avril Broadley* (Chil), *Catherine Weeks* (Hatti), *Teressa Williams* (Dahinda) & *Simon Wheeler* for organising the rehearsals. *Alex Robins* for doing the music, *Pauline Patel* for organising the tickets, refreshments. John Bannerman for doing the curtains, *BoB Weingarh* and his team, for organising the scene changes, *The Mums* for sorting the costumes, *Catherine Weeks* & *Grace Marshall* for doing the makeup, and to every one else who helped at one of the performances.

April 2017



St George's Day Event

This year as normal PG will be taking part in the years St George's Day Event (*Patron Saint of Scouting & England*).



Date: SUNDAY 23rd April 2017

Meet: Howarth Road, off Stafferton Way, at 1.50pm.

Parents: If you are available we hope you will be able to join us for this special District Scouting event

Finish: Approx. 4.20pm, back at Howarth Road

Dress: Full uniform is to be worn and in case of wet weather everyone will need to bring a rucksack with a drink and their waterproof.

Collection: Money for Collection, which is in aid of www.shelterbox.org.uk

We really encourage every Beaver, Cub, Scout and Young Leader to attend this event as it celebrates our patron saint of scouting, as well as reminding us what being part of the scouting movement is all about, plus take part in an hour of fun packed activities.

Sainsbury's Active Kids

We're taking part in *Sainsbury's Active Kids 2017*. We hope to collect as many vouchers as possible.

Collect *Active Kids* vouchers when you shop at Sainsbury's till 2nd May and donate them to PG. They can then redeem them for active and sports equipment and experiences, and much much more.

So please help us collect by donating your vouchers to us, and let anyone and everyone know that we're taking part in *Active Kids*!

Your efforts are really appreciated and make a huge difference.

Send the vouchers along to your child's meeting, or drop them off at PG Scout Hall, please put them in the box by the front door



Spring Jumble Sale

We are looking for help collecting Jumble or sorting on **Friday 28 April, 6.30pm** at the Scout Hall from Parents / friends. A car or van would be very useful. We also require help on the Saturday morning 29 April 2017, 10am selling the Jumble and clearing up afterwards.

Parents will be receiving a phone call from a parent coordinator – Offers of help or for more information, please contact one of our Sale Coordinator - **Email:** jumble@pgscouts.org.uk

Last year we raised over **£1,100** at our Jumble Sales, this supports your sons in their Scouting at PG

Jumble Sale Date: Saturday 29 April 2017 - 10.30am

PARENTS We need your support, please help us raise money to support your son at Beavers, Cubs or Scouts. We cannot manage without the support of parents

Don't leave it to others - if you can spare a couple of hours on Frid 28th or Sat 29th - It would be great

Summer Fair

This year we will be holding our Annual Summer Fair on the Green on Sunday 18th June 2017

Please make a note of the date, we will be looking for support from Beaver, Cubs and Scouts and their parents

Fair Date is Sunday 18th June 2017



Gardeners

Gardeners can we plea for any plants which people are splitting, or any extra seedlings left over to save them for the Summer Fair plant stall. Please ask grandparents & neighbours as no gardener likes throwing plants out. They would much rather find a new home for them.

Marquee Erection Team

Parents we are still looking to spread the load of putting up our Marquees (Two or Three times a year) It is a good way to earn more money to support our group but it does require man power to erect the marquees for our customers. A team of 6 to 8 people are required plus someone with a tow bar to take the marquee trailer. Usually for a weekend hire the marquee is put up on a Thursday or Friday evening and taken down on a Sunday or Monday, although this varies and could be changed to suit the team. Teams in the past have become expert and the erection can take only an hour or so. **Please consider if you could add your name to the list of team members.** You would be contacted each time to see if you would be available. Ideally a phone number and e-mail would be on our list so that the co-ordinator can reach you easily.

Please contact Ian Marshall 07799 555444 or marquee@pgscouts.org.uk or let your Childs leader know, that you would like to be involved.

Pinkneys Green Scouts

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If You miss a Meeting....

Can we please remind all PG parents that **if your child is going to miss** a Monday Beaver meeting, Wednesday Pack meeting or a Monday (LG) or Friday (WH) Troop meeting, please contact your child's section leader to let them know that you cannot attend the meeting. This will help with the programme planning and we will be able to advise you of what is happening at the next meeting.

BEAVER NEWS



Littlewick Colony

The term's fun activities continued with a visit to the Rush trampoline park in High Wycombe. The Beavers' longer evening was a big jumping success! The vote was unanimous on repeating it again soon. Thanks to *Simon, Callum, Dhruv* and *Clara* for running a varied evening of entertainment on the stage at the Scout Hut. The Beavers enjoyed singing, telling jokes, gymnastics and magic tricks to name but a few of the entertainment laid on by our talented section. The evening ended with the investiture of *Scarlett Leach, Vivienne Morgan* and *Beatrice Pedley* on the stage – a warm welcome to these three families to Littlewick Beavers and the PG Scout group.

The fire building night in the Thicket woods was the normal big hit. The Beavers were super excited about striking a flint and see the sparks fly in the dimming light. They loved building the fires and keeping them going – a challenge on the wet ground! Their reward of toasting marshmallows and eating s'mores made it all the more adventurous. Thanks to all the parents who have helped make these nights such a success; we couldn't do it without your help :) Please continue to volunteer your time.

LG Tictac (Nathalie Watson)

Winter Hill Colony

This month the Beavers have been busy as usual. They have enjoyed performing on stage when some of the scouts came and helped out. "We entertain" as it is known, when Beavers told some jokes, did a little magic and sang some songs.

They have also enjoyed a hike through the woods and surrounding areas and ended up at The Pinkney's Arms. Here they finished the evening with a drink and a bag of crisps to refuel.



Some of the Beavers had fun at the Beaveree, a District Beaver afternoon of fun and craft activities. This year's theme was international. Some of the activities on offer were colouring in animals with the name of the animal in different languages, making Chinese hats, making Australian fairy bread (buttered white bread dipped in hundreds and thousands yummy!) and Aboriginal dot painting. The Beavers who went said they really enjoyed themselves. Every year there is a charity that the Beavers collect money for. This year's charity was Shelter Box. 17 Beavers attended and we hope to see as many if not more Beavers attend next year.

Finally the Beavers visited the Maidenhead Heritage Centre. There they discovered all about Maidenhead's history. They learnt about the historical flooding of 1947 and the more recent flooding in 2014. They also learnt about the railway and the Roman skeleton found near Bray about 1600 years ago.

We hope the Beavers attending the pantomime Dick Whittington enjoy it. Over the last two weeks of the term the Beavers will be exploring the woods and learning about how to be safe in the woods. The Beavers will be finishing the term with the traditional Easter egg hunt. Until next time, we hope you have a pleasant Easter.

WH Tictac (Tom Beynon)

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CUB NEWS

Winter Hill Pack

Since the last report, we have continued to focus on fundamental scouting skills. Cubs learnt about map symbols as well as some basic first aid. Ask them to make a sling out of their neckerchief! We also spent an evening using the stage and entertaining each other with music, magic and jokes.

During the February half-term holiday, the scouts ran an exciting Incident Hike for the cubs from Winter Hill and Littlewick Green. The cubs enjoyed taking part in the outdoor challenges and especially enjoyed the hot chocolate at the end! Thank you to *Simon* and the scouts.

A team of 6 cubs took part in the District Flag Competition on 4th March. They competed against other cubs from around the district partaking in different activities including fire lighting, trails and an obstacle course. The team finished 3rd place. Well done to *Joseph Woodward, Mateo Woodhead-Pavon, Isambard Medhurst, Matthew Evans, Noah Thomas and Tom Atkinson*. Congratulations to the Littlewick team for coming first!

Over the next few weeks, we will be completing the Personal Safety badge and some cubs will be taking part in the Group pantomime on 17th and 18th March.

We will be taking a break over the Easter holidays, so there will be no Pack meeting on 5th and 12th April. Our first meeting of the summer term will be Wednesday 19th April. Happy Easter!

Akela WH (Rob Harris)



Littlewick Pack

We had an extreme evening of incidences. 20 broken arms in slings, at least 20 unconscious bodies in the recovery position and some of the cubs even learnt resuscitation when Andy Hunter kindly visited us to practise first aid.

With the flag competition looming we needed a re cap on map reading. On navigation night the cubs learnt road signs, map references and compass reading. We also had time to design our own maps.

The six cubs; Chelsea, Hannah, Robbie, Bailey, Tom and Freddie, representing PG LG did us and themselves proud, having worked really hard they won first prize at the flag competition giving our group the honour of carry the district flag on the St. George's day parade, 23rd April. Bravo team LG!

Spring is now here, and warmer nights mean we can hike. We've started with a short walk from Knowl Hill back to base which gave us enough time to play games and drink marshmallow hot chocolate. Fun was had by all!

Our new challenge involves conservation and having spent our last meeting looking at recycling and renewable energy we are very much looking forward to helping out on toad



patrol at Deerswood Park. The cubs will be assisting the migrating toads across the roads to the safety of their lake to gain their environmental conservation badges.

We would like to thank the parents who have helped us at the weekly meetings so far this year. Your support means we can safely do outdoor activities and as it's getting warmer, we'll be doing lots more.

Littlewick Green PG Cubs Leaders Team

SCOUT NEWS

District 5-a-side football competition

The Scout Football Competition will be held on Tuesday 23 May 2017. 7pm –9pm at Altwood School Astroturf.

If you are interested in talking part, please let your Scout leader know.

Dick Whittington

Well done to: *Alfie Savage, Ben Almond, Benjamin Broadbent, Daniel Wallace, Dillon Flew, Edwin Isted, Freya Livesey, Hayden Paul, James Garitty, Miles Almond, Sean Montgomery, Simon Wilkosz and Toby Pocock*, plus two Cubs *Oliver Aerts and Kyle Dixon* who were the main characters in *Dick Whittington*, who all put in a lot of hard work.

Also to Young Leaders *Rob Anderson, Tom Sellers, Matthew Miller, Toby Lattimer and Nick Conacher* who organised, sorted their costumes out and sang an excellent *Nothing Like A Dame*

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Littlewick Troop

The Littlewick Troop has been busy with a wide range of activities since the half term break, including pancake making which was (surprisingly) successful... I really should have more faith! Some great efforts and none of the flipping ending up with pancakes on the floor! We have also started work on the Skills Challenge Badge and as part of the physical skills/fitness aspects we held an evening focusing on the harmful effects on the body of smoking and alcohol. The Scout Hall looked like a crime scene with outlines of bodies drawn out to mark up the impacted organs!

On the Leader front, I'm pleased to be able to confirm the *Sam Gibbins* will be joining the Troop as an Assistant Scout Leader - she is a welcome addition to provide me with support and is already seeing what an active group PG is. This month we also invested *Will Lonsdale* and *Charlie Shervell* - welcome to you both.

Finally at the time of writing the PG pantomime is only a few days away - well done and good luck to *Freya Livesey* who will be treading the boards. A well-deserved Entertainer Badge is on its way to you!

David Barnes (LG Scout Leader)

Winter Hill Troop

We held the last of three training weekend at the hall, where the Scouts stayed over and were taught basic Scouting skills, thank you goes to all the Patrol Leaders, Young Leaders and leaders (*BoB Weingarth, Alex Robins* and *Jordan Day-Hunt*) for helping to run the events

Friday nights have been busy with an entertain evening, where Scouts told jokes and did shadow puppets, a fitness / dancing evening, fun Swimming trip to Windsor.

We would like to welcome four Cubs to Winter Hill Scouts: *Joseph Woodward, Joshua Keane, Kyle Dixon* and *Mateo Woodhead Pavon*. They have started their **Moving Up** Award and been Swimming and to some interesting Scout meetings as well as the Pantomime.

District Cross Country - Well done to all the WH Scouts *Pat Russel* who WON the senior event and *Simon Wilkosz* who came second, we also WON the Senior Team event.

We will be holding an Easter Egg hunt on Good Friday. Winter Hill Scout meetings will continue during the Easter holidays. As the clocks change at the end of March, so we will be doing a lot more outside. Parents don't forget to keep a black sack in the car.



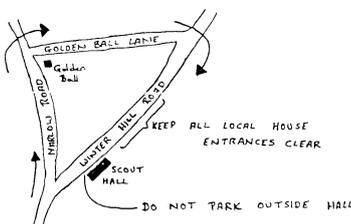
Thank you goes to the Scouts and Young leaders who ran the two Beaver meeting for Littlewick and Winter Hill Beavers, using the theme, we will entertain.

Can we thank all the Scouts who supported the Scouts and Young leaders in the Pantomime and saw one of the performance and to Young Leaders *Frank Williams* and *Peter Marshall* who did an excellent job organising the car parking for the performances. Thank you goes to everyone who donated cakes and or Raffle prizes

Don't forget PG are taking part in this year's District St Georges Day event on Sunday 23 April, where all the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers from 11 Groups in Maidenhead take part in a special event for Scouting's patron Saint St George. Please make the effort to attend, the District have organised 8 activities for the Scouts to take part in

Simon Wheeler (WH Scout Leader)

YOUNGSTERS SAFETY DROPPING OFF TO THE HALLS



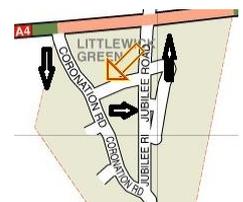
PINKNEYS GREEN - Scout Hall Winter Hill Road - *Can we remind Parents to operate a One Way System when dropping off or collecting your son(s) from Beavers on Monday evenings, Cubs on Wednesday evenings or Scouts on Friday evenings,*

Also please don't turn your cars around in our neighbours driveways and
DON'T PARK or PICK UP where the WHITE LINES are outside the hall Please
 Don't park across the drive way of Christmas Cottage or Pond House

LITTLEWICK GREEN - Gilchrist Village Hall - can we also remind parents dropping off and picking up **Do not park in Gilchrist Way** as this is strictly reserved for residents.

We ask parents to please park a little further down on Jubilee Road or on Coronation Road and walk up; you may need a torch! **Please ask your Childs leader** if you are not sure.

Thank you for your support in keeping our Neighbours Happy.



Please observe the above instructions when dropping off and collecting from PG meetings