

# News

## 1<sup>st</sup> Bagshot Autumn/Winter 2012 Newsletter

### Family Camp Report

Or "Fun, Forest, Fire and Mud at Walton Firs"  
by Alfie Rankin, Cub

Family camp was really, really cool as I got to play with my friends in the forest, sang around the campfire and make weapons for our play, Robin Hood! In the forest we found a big, big arena that could seat lots of people. We also found lots of sticks for arrows and used leaves for the ends of the arrows. I found a big stick which I used for a double sided javelin. We had a competition between 4 groups and I was in the winning group, the Kestrels. As part of our tasks we wrote and acted out a play based on the story of Robin Hood. We gave Alex' and Emma's dad (Mr Lifford) the part of Maid Marion along with a pink hat, he was very funny! In one of the other group's plays, Greg Woodward played Little John and he let Robin Hood get past for a biscuit! The archery was brilliant, even though I did not get a bull's eye as it was more difficult than it looked.



After the play we sang round the fire. Mr Bauld was very good at playing his guitar and getting everyone to sing. On Sunday, we packed before the rain and set forth for the assault course. What happened to a lot of people on the assault course was that some of them let go too soon on the rope swing and SPLASH they landed in the mud pool! I fell in three times. We all looked like we had been diving in mud – it was great fun!

### Awards Presented

Early in the Autumn term two more Silver Chief Scouts awards were presented by Paul Shepard, Assistant District Commissioner for Cubs.



Marek Nahajski and Thomas Perkin had worked hard to complete all of the requirements for their six Challenge Badges and thus earn the coveted Chief Scouts Award which they can wear with pride on their uniforms.

In the Beaver Section Campbell O'Leary, Tom Hill and Bradley Holton all achieved their Bronze Chief Scouts Award in the nick of time for moving to Cubs in January where they can wear their badges proudly on their new Cub Uniforms.



In the Scout Section it was a double award night. Joe Brewer was presented with his Gold Chief Scout Award and Lisa Brewer her Wood Badge, marking the completion of her Leader training.



Well done to all.

# Remembrance Service

A record turnout for recent years saw over 50 uniformed members of the Group attend the annual service of Remembrance at St Anne's. The members were on their best behaviour during the service and the observation of two minutes silence at the War Memorial in the Church yard at 11am.



The Leaders and Exec team would like to thank the members and their families for the fantastic turnout, it reflects wonderfully on the Group and is appreciated by the village community as a whole.

## Safety Information

Several times since last summer we have had incidents of children being dropped off for Beavers and Cubs at the kerb rather than being walked into the Hall. In one instance Cubs were dropped off at the Hall when they were meeting elsewhere meaning they had to be ferried to the correct venue.

We would like to remind all parents dropping off that they should bring their children into the Hall or other meeting venue and make sure that there are at least two Leaders or helpers present before leaving as Leaders cannot take responsibility for children when alone.

## Subs

You will have noticed the last couple of Subs invoices have been driving towards making the process more efficient by moving to electronic payment where possible. It is a lot of work for the Exec members responsible for the Subs to compile the individual invoices and collate the incoming payments and chase outstanding payments.

In future we would like to achieve 100% payment within two weeks of the invoice going out. To make this easier, could you please make sure that if your details change that you let your Section Leader know these details, for the purposes of Subs but also in case they need to contact you in an emergency.

If you are having trouble paying Subs, please do let us know.

# Useful Information

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| Our Website           | <a href="http://www.bagshotscouts.org.uk">www.bagshotscouts.org.uk</a>         |
| For general enquiries | <a href="mailto:info@bagshotscouts.org.uk">info@bagshotscouts.org.uk</a>       |
| Beavers               | <a href="mailto:beavers@bagshotscouts.org.uk">beavers@bagshotscouts.org.uk</a> |
| Cubs                  | <a href="mailto:cubs@bagshotscouts.org.uk">cubs@bagshotscouts.org.uk</a>       |
| Scouts                | <a href="mailto:scouts@bagshotscouts.org.uk">scouts@bagshotscouts.org.uk</a>   |
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Badge Information including requirements and where to sew them on the uniform can be found at [www.scoutbase.org.uk](http://www.scoutbase.org.uk)

## Executive Members

The Executive Team work to ensure that the Leader Team are able to deliver a full, interesting and safe Programme to the young members. They are responsible for aspects such as Financial matters, Fundraising, Safeguarding and the social side of the group. All members are parents of members or ex-members of the Group.

Stefan Nahajski – Chairman  
Spencer Watson – Group Scout Leader  
Adrian Ringrose – Treasurer  
Jayne Lifford – Secretary  
John Bauld - Quartermaster  
Ian Hill  
Ellie Rankin  
Lorraine Gunn – Safeguarding  
Steve Lamb – Scout Leader  
Andy Woodward – Cub Scout Leader  
Kate Cox – Beaver Scout Leader

As with all such groups, many hands make light work, so anyone interested in getting involved in any way would be most welcome.

## Future Dates

May 3rd to 5th Cub Camp, Walton Firs

June 3rd to 9th Scout Community Week

September 20th to 22nd Family Camp, Garner's Field