

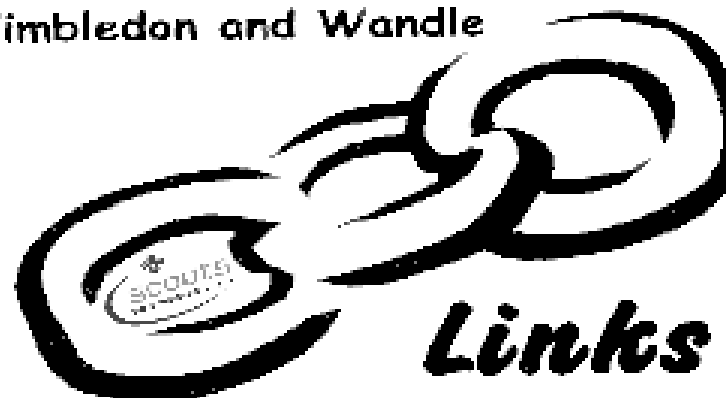
"Have you ever realized what the word 'Scout' spells and means? It is quite worth remembering:

- S martness
- C ourtesy
- O bedience
- U sefulness
- T rustworthiness

I hope that every Scout will carry out those points in his daily work."

The Scout 21 April 1934

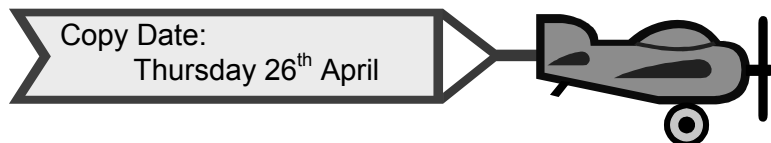
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| April 5 | Store closed for Easter | |
| 12 | Store closed for Easter | |
| 17 | Centenary Camp Zone leaders' meeting | 13 th Wimbledon at 9pm |
| 21 | GLSW Jamboree Units Quiz | 8 th Cheam at 8pm |
| 22 | St George's Day Parade and Service | |
| 24 | District Executive meeting | Morden Hall DHQ at 7.30pm |
| 25 | Fellowship Beetle Drive & Fish'n'Chips | Morden Hall DHQ |
| 25 | Centenary Camp meeting | 22 nd Wimbledon at 8pm |
| May 4-7 | Centenary Camp | Blacklands Farm |
| 9 | CSLs' meeting | Morden Hall DHQ at 8pm |
| 13 | Fellowship walk | |
| 16 | District AGM | Kenneth Black HQ at 8pm |
| 20 | Cub Football | Raynes Park High School |
| 23 | Beaver Leaders' meeting | |
| 24 | Troop Scouters' meeting | 6/12 th Mitcham HQ at 8pm |
| 31 | Store closed for half term | |

District Commissioner

I am very grateful for all the kind letters, emails and telephone calls regarding the **Centenary Dinner**. It was a tremendous night and my thanks to all those who came and supported the evening. We will not make it an annual event but I am seriously thinking about holding another in November 2008. Your comments on this suggestion would be welcome.

St George's Day Awards

I am delighted to announce the following awards

Silver Wolf

Dick Hooper	District Explorer Scout Administrator
Ted Mayhew	Assistant Cub Scout Leader 19 th Wimbledon
John Young	District Treasurer

These three young men have given some 160 years to Scouting and thoroughly deserve this huge honour.

Silver Acorn

Lesley Bixby	District Badge Secretary (elect) and goodness knows what else
Vicky Tullett	GSL 1 st Merton Park
Clive Tullett	Explorer Scout Leader Merton Park Unit
Neil McLauchlan	District Explorer Scout Commissioner
Ian Wilkins	GSL 16 th Morden

St George's Day - Sunday 22nd April

I have sent out the details for this event.

Full and smart uniform should be worn which can include the centenary scarf. Awards should be worn. Please remember only the latest award should be worn.

The Metropolitan Police and the London Borough of Merton are treating this as a major event in the calendar and have given this their full support.

30 September at 3pm. This will include an act of rededication, presentation of badges and certificates, a few speeches no doubt, refreshments, and much reminiscing.

Invitations for the event will be mailed out during April, and it would help to have a comprehensive list of those eligible to attend. *GSLs* and especially *ESLs* are requested to supply names and addresses to me as soon as possible - thanks.

The Scout Network is organising a 'Day of Activities' for all Explorer Scouts in *GLSW* on the Thames at Petersham & Ham Scouts HQ on Sunday 1 July. Most of the activities will be water-based, and there will be a BBQ. Further information and a booking form will be sent to *ESLs* shortly, but please make a note of the date now.

Plans are well advanced for the Scout Network Expedition to Nepal in 2008. For further information and to register an interest please contact Ed Hackett (CSNL) by Email - biged981@yahoo.co.uk

Fellowship - Linda Vaudrey



Many thanks to those of you who came to the AGM on Sunday 25th March. We apologise, once again, for having to cancel the meeting on the 18th March.

During April, help will be needed for St George's Day - Sunday 22nd April - Edge Hill - in the afternoon. Please contact Rob on 020 8330 7466 if you are able to assist.

On Wednesday 25th April we shall be holding our Beetle Drive, organized by Jean and David, together with a fish and chip supper. If you are planning to attend please let me know numbers and requests for fish by Friday 20th April - many thanks. (Linda 8542 6200).

We shall be arranging a Spring Walk for Sunday 13th May. Again please let Rob know if you will be interested in coming.

Best wishes to Mary White who is, we understand, making steady progress in Austria.

Section Reports

Beaver Scouts - Julie Doolan

The Bike Ride in Morden Hall Park was a success and the weather was kind to us. We raised £93.00, which we have donated to the National Trust to be used locally in the park.



St Georges Day- Sunday 22nd April: Beavers will be marching with their Groups and everyone is to assemble at The Causeway on Wimbledon Common at 1pm. Full Uniform to be worn. Any queries, please phone me or Clare Tweedley (3rd Mitcham).

Centenary Camp - Sunday 6th May. All replies need to be in as soon as possible, so that the coaches can be ordered.

Beavers need to wear full uniform and bring a change of clothes. Food will be provided for the whole day. More information to follow.

Sports Day - 14th July. The Beavers will not be attending and we will arrange a fun day in 2008.

Next Meeting will be Wednesday 23rd May 2007.

Cub Scouts - Michèle McNamara

Almost 90 Cubs attended the adventure day held on 1st April at Frylands Wood taking part in various activities. The weather, thankfully, was fine and the Cubs seemed to enjoy themselves. My thanks to all the Leaders who organised this event and the Leaders/helpers who came along and helped make this such a successful day.



The next event after the centenary camp is, of course, the 7-side football competition to be held at Raynes Park High School on 20th May. Please put this date in your diaries now, as entry forms will be issued in April and these need to be returned in time for the draw at the next CSLs' meeting.

Network - Chris Dean

Queen's Scouts from across GLSW will be parading at Windsor this month, and the experience will leave lasting memories. For them and past generations of Queen's Scouts and King's Scouts we are arranging a County 'Muster' at KCS Wimbledon on Sunday



District Commissioner

St George's Day Parade cont . . .

Please note that Parents are welcome to come but precedence is given to young people and Leaders in the Church. Parents will have to wait till all are seated before given entry.

Centenary Camp planning continues a pace and with 5 weeks to go there is much to do.

Any queries to myself, Neil or Peter Hutton (activities)

Indications are that we are going to have lots of young people coming so please volunteer to do something, we have plenty of jobs that need to be done.

I am delighted that 17 members from Sutton District have volunteered to become part of the District Service Team (DST) and they will be carrying out all the support functions over the weekend. We hope to have some of the W&W Network to support them.

The first **Nights Away permits** are coming up for renewal, so, if your permit remains at the same level, you just need to get a form from Brian Beckley, add a new photo and send it off to Keith. If you want to upgrade then speak to Brian.

I have already been to 4 **AGM's** and I am delighted to see lots of young people, reports of further increases since census and all wearing centenary scarves.

Would all Groups who have not indicated their **AGM** date please do so as soon as possible. This ensures that I, or a Deputy, can attend on behalf of the District.

The **District AGM** is on Wednesday May 16th 07.45 for 8.00 at Kenneth Black DHQ (and - Yes it has been booked!!) As usual the evening will conclude with presentation of Awards and refreshments.

Bob Prescott

St George's Day Parade and Service 22nd April

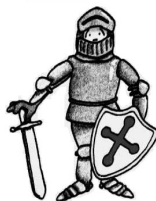
Full details are available at

<http://www.wimbledonandwandlescouts.org/stgpdetails07.htm>

The District is growing and we have something very special to celebrate in this our Centenary year, so let's have a really good turn-out.

Why not combine it with a visit to the Windmill to show your members where part of Scouting for Boys was written?

- Meet on the Causeway at 1pm
- Parade moves off at 1.20pm
- Parade will go along Wimbledon Village High Street - salute taken by the Mayor opposite the Dog and Fox - right into Ridgeway and left down Edge Hill to the church.
- District will be dismissed from the church at approx 2.45pm.



Trophies

If you win a trophy, please ensure that it goes to Cliff Condon as soon as possible. He will arrange the engraving, including having the plates moved if necessary, and update the District records to ensure that the holders of each trophy are properly recorded.

District Store

Have all your members got everything they need for St George's Day and the Centenary Camp? The Store re-opens after Easter on 19th April. Beaver, Cub and Scout uniforms are available in all sizes but if you have any more unusual requests, please contact Brian on 020 8330 2088 or b.whalebone@btinternet.com
10 survival bags are still looking for a good home - £3 each - due to a duplicate delivery from Lancing.

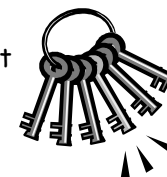


Top Soil and Leaf Compost

Gardeners: good top soil and compost available at Morden Hall DHQ. Telephone Cliff on 020 8540 5115 to arrange to collect.

Keys to Morden Hall DHQ

There have been various changes to the District Team and it is essential that we update the list of key holders for Morden Hall DHQ and ensure that everyone who needs keys has a set.



If you no longer need your DHQ keys, please return them to Cliff Condon as soon as possible.

If you hold a set of keys, please telephone Cliff on 020 8540 5115 to register them.

Website

Another new website is up and running: www.1stmorden.org.uk

Training

27 to 29 April Module 16 Nights Away at Bow Lane
21 April Orienteering Training at Bentley Copse Camp Site.
 Contact Christine Robinson on 020 8255 7176.

Please note that as it is a very busy year for Scouting there are **no** modules planned from May to September 2007.

19 - 21 October Module 16 at Frylands Wood Campsite.

First Aid Training: Ring Janet Drinkall 020 8669 4774 for information

District Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 16th May

8pm start

Kenneth Black Hall, Worple Road