

Tuesday 19th September our formal meeting at the Wandle DHQ.
Further details of the above events will follow in due course.

I have been asked, by June Waro, to pass on her thanks, to you all, for all your good wishes.

Wimbledon and Wandle District Scout Council

Annual General Meeting

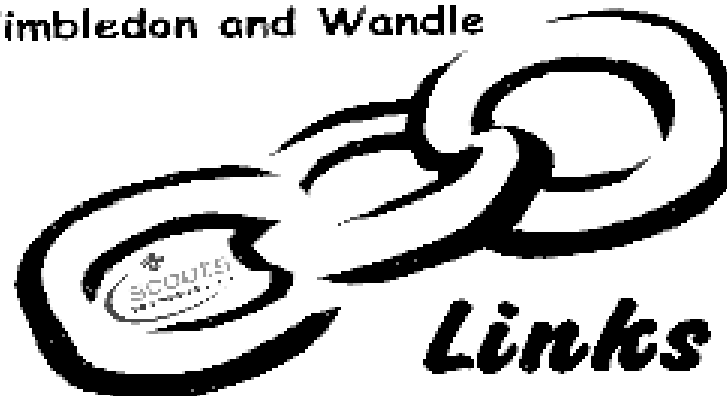
Wednesday 17th May 2006
Kenneth Black DHQ, Worples Road at 8pm



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Links

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May 6	Edge Hill ESU Prohibition Ball	Upper Parish Hall
7	County First Aid course	Sutton DHQ
10	Cub Scout Leaders' meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
14	Fellowship ramble	Twickenham area
14	Cub 7-a-side football	Raynes Park High School
17	District Annual General Meeting	Kenneth Black DHQ
24	Beaver Leaders Meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
June 1	Store closed for half term	
7	County AGM	Whitton School
10	Fellowship Summer Meal	Chipstead
10	1 st Lower Morden Quiz night	Bow Lane
10-11	Patrol camping weekend	Tbc
16-18	District Cub Camp	Walton Firs
19	GSLs' meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
20	Troop Scouters' meeting	1 st Morden HQ
21	District Team meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
July 1	Beaver birthday celebrations	Walton Firs
1	Cub County fun day	

District Commissioner

My thanks to everyone who dealt with things while I was away. I am not sure I am glad to be back, as New Zealand is really an amazing place and my wife and I had a wonderful holiday.

My thanks also to all those responsible for arranging St George's Day and to the staff at Tooting and Mitcham for letting us use their stadium. It was a new venue and that always creates a few problems but the service was good and the Band was superb.

My congratulations to the following whose awards came through while I was away:

Bar to the Medal of Merit

Marion Clifford 20th Mitcham Group Executive

Medal of Merit

Carol Woolsey 1st Lower Morden Group Executive

Mick Shade 19th Wimbledon Scout Leader

Will Smith 6/12th Mitcham Cub Scout Leader

Martin Neal ex 36th Mitcham Cub Scout Leader

Chief Scouts Commendation

Marion Egan 11th Mitcham Beaver Scout Leader

Hilary Mavin 5th Morden Beaver Scout Leader

Pam McLauchlan District Supporter

Paul Wilkins 19th Wimbledon Group Scout Leader

Graham Fairclough 22nd Wimbledon Cub Scout Leader/DCSL

Please do make every effort to attend the District AGM on Wednesday 17th May at 7.45 at Kenneth Black DHQ.

Bob Prescott

In late August two hike groups will be heading to Llandovery in South Wales, and will undertake their Gold 'practice' and 'qualifying' expeditions. If you are quick there are still a few places left - either register on www.glsWSCouts.org.uk/network or phone me direct.

The Scout Network has been asked to help at 'Twickeree' in Marble Hill Park, Richmond from June 23-25, and we shall be calling on members from all parts of the County to assist. We will be instantly visible, wearing our new polo shirts, again visit our website for details of availability and cost.

The Scout Network Conference 2006 will be at Walton Firs Scout Camp, Cobham, on Sunday 2 July at 10.30am, and all Explorer Scouts aged 17 and over have been invited. We look forward to meeting you all, and giving you a flavour of Network Scouting at its very best!

Fellowship - Linda Vaudrey

Recent Events



Thank you to all members who supported and helped at the St George's Day Parade on 23rd April. The weather could have been kinder!

Thank you too to Jean Gould for organising the Beetle Drive and Supper on Wednesday, 26th April, it was a most enjoyable evening.

Forthcoming Events

There is a gentle walk planned for Sunday 14th May. If you are coming along please let Rob Brumwell know, by Friday 12th. Phone - 020 8330 7466.

By now you will all have received your letter regarding the Summer Meal, to be held on 10th June at Chipstead. If you have not already done so, please reply as soon as possible.

We have been asked to provide help at the District Camp at Walton Firs, over the weekend of 16th - 18th June. Please contact Michele McNamara CSL/ADC Cub Scouts at Michmac@blueyonder.co.uk or Rob, if you feel you can assist in any way.

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 22nd July - BBQ - at David and Jean Gould's house.

Sunday 3rd September - Ten Pin Bowling;

Explorers - Neil McLaughlan

Many thanks to Neil Griffin, Chris Griffin, Ben Wong & Clive Tullett who sorted the sound system for St George's Day Parade.

We have many groups out undertaking award hikes over the next few weeks and we wish them well with their travels.

We are holding a District Explorer Scout Sports night & BBQ on Thursday 18th May at 7.30pm. This will be an evening of sports and silly games at the Old Wimbledonians, at the end of Somerset Avenue, Raynes Park. Cost is £2 per head there will be a BBQ with soft drinks.



Network - Chris Dean

Firstly, congratulations to Simon Keen who has qualified as a RYA Senior Instructor - Simon will be taking charge of our Network 'Evening Sail' at Wimbledon Park Lake on 27 June. Further information is available from Simon or myself.

Congratulations also to Ed Hackett and Ryan Evans, who completed the Annapurna circuit in April, and will be reporting back on this fantastic adventure at some point.

The GLSW Scout Network Barn Dance on April 22 was well supported by members from Kingston, Croydon, Sutton, and Kent. 100 enthusiasts danced remorselessly to the Bonabril Band until midnight when it was time to head homewards and grab some sleep before attending St George's Day parades - this year the County Network Standard was paraded at Sutton.

On 30 March I was privileged to be at St James's Palace for the presentation of Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Awards to approximately 300 young people, including two of our Network members, Kate Brown and Emma Wilson. There are several more awards in the pipeline, which is great news. On Thursday 1 June from 8pm at Bow Lane Scout Centre we are holding the first 'drop in' clinic for anyone wanting guidance on how to achieve the DofE Award or indeed how to get started. All are welcome - Explorers and Network.



Band news

The Band had a busy St Georges Day. We were joined by the 1st Wallington Band for our Wimbledon & Wandle parade, and we then hurried to Sutton to join 1st Wallington for their own parade. Although we got a little wet at both events I believe that the combined bands looked and sounded pretty good. My thanks to Ian King and 1st Wallington for joining us.



Having gained quite a few new members in our own band recently, for many of them this was their first parade. I would like to congratulate them, and all other the band members on their turnout, marching and playing. Well done to them all.

To all Leaders, please note that we are still hoping to recruit more members. If you would like us to visit one of your meetings please contact me. We will tell your Cubs/Scouts/Explorers something about the band, play some music and let them try the instruments. Hopefully we can provide something a little different for your programme and at the same time we may find some young people who are interested in joining us.

John Smith (ADC Band)
020 8395 1850

Walkie Talkies

The District has purchased 6 walkie talkies. They have a range of 5km and are available for use at both Group and District events. If you wish to borrow them, please contact David Gould on 020 8395 1885 or baldygouldy@hotmail.co.uk to arrange collection. The person in charge of the event is responsible for ensuring that they are returned in good working order.

District Store

The Store will be closed for half term on Thursday 1 June.

District Headquarters

Please make sure that if you wish to use the Morden Hall DHQ, you book it with Betty Cronk. If you don't, you could find yourself double booked! Also, the keys are for the sole use of the holder and should never be passed to someone else without checking with Betty first.

There is no outside use of the headquarters so there is no income. If your Group uses it, a donation or an offer to undertake some work on the HQ will help keep it in good repair.

Sports Day

The only date that the Sutton Arena is available for sports day is **Sunday 17 September**.

Is it worth going ahead with a booking? Please let David Gould have your views by Friday **12 May** - ☎020 8395 1885 or e-mail baldygouldy@hotmail.co.uk

Wanted . . .

- A good home for a filing cabinet. Contact Linda Vaudrey on 020 8542 6200 asap.
- A 6ft x 4ft cupboard for the District Store. Contact Brian on 020 8330 2088 if you can help.

District Equipment

The District owns a reasonable quantity of equipment. At the moment it is stored in a variety of places and the aim is to gather it all together and catalogue it. Before we can do this, we need a Quartermaster. Could you do this job? If so, please contact Cliff Condon on 020 8540 5115.

Trophies

If you have won a trophy recently, which needs engraving, please let Cliff have it.



Section reports

Beavers - Andy Elgar



You should all have now received information regarding the Beaver Scout Birthday Celebration Event at Walton Firs being held on Saturday 1st July. Please note the deadline of 20th May to return confirmation of numbers attending !

Our next Beaver Leaders Meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th May at DHQ, Morden, with the usual 8pm start. **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE DATE !!!!**

Cubs - Michèle McNamara



There are unfortunately a lot of deadlines this month, please make sure any money or entry forms are sent by the relevant date, as entries will not be accepted after these deadlines.

5 th May	Last date for entering the 7-side football tournament
12 th May	Last date for sending money and forms for County Fun Day
19 th May	Last date for sending deposits and forms for District Cub Camp

The next Cub Scout Leaders' meeting is on May 10th. If you are not able to make this meeting please advise me or one of the DCSLs and send your pack report to me.

Leaders' District Cub Camp Meeting - This has been scheduled for Wednesday May 31st at Morden Hall DHQ, sorry to those who can't make this but this was the most popular date, please try and get someone from your Group to come along and represent you at the meeting. Full details will be available to those not able to be present.

Over 100 Cubs had a fun packed day at this year's **Outdoor Adventure Day** at Frylands Wood. Activities included archery, rifle shooting, pioneering, backwoods cooking amongst many others. The weather was kind to us for the morning but unfortunately the downpour in the afternoon closed the assault course for the rest of the day. A big thank you to the many people who helped on the day and carried on during the wet weather and were still smiling at the end of the day!

Appointments Committee (February -March 2006) - Joan Burgess

New Warrants -

- Jean-Claire Flannagan , CSL, 8th Wimbledon
- Andrew Ellam, SL, 8th Wimbledon
- Finoula Quinn, CSL, 11th Mitcham

Provisional Certificates -

- Richard Frewin, ASL, 16th Morden
- Ted Mayhew, ACSL, 19th Wimbledon
- Richard Mainwaring, GSL, 20th Mitcham
- Alan Woolsey, DSL

Worker Certificates

- Michael Edwards, 1st Morden
- Christopher Dillon, 5th Mitcham
- Sophia Thomas, 9th Wimbledon
- Christopher Allen, 9th Wimbledon
- Bernard McAlister, 16th Morden
- Wimon Hearty, 22nd Wimbledon
- Gary Jacobs, 22nd Wimbledon
- Russell Penny, 22nd Wimbledon
- Lisa Wilkinson, 22nd Wimbledon
- Susannah Dorrington-Ward, Wim Ex. Unit

Cancelled Warrants

- Elliot Pittam, ASL, 13th Wimbledon
- Janet Warner, ABSL, 13th Wimbledon
- Priya Jugnauth, BSL, 14th Wimbledon
- Kevin Quigley, GSL, 19th Wimbledon
- Richard Marus, ASL, 4th Morden

Please note:

If you have recently changed positions in your Group and have not submitted a new AA form, then you need to complete the form and return it as soon as possible, together with your warrant, in order for this to be updated and to enable the training team to be advised of the change. Many thanks to the Leaders who return their forms promptly. Their efforts are much appreciated.

Training

5 th /6 th /7 th May	Module 16	Nights Away Camping at Bears Wood campsite. (Residential.)
21 st May	Module 7 Module 17	Valuing Diversity Activities Outdoors
11 th June	Module 12 Module 18	Providing a Balanced Programme Practical Skills
2 nd July	Module 19 Module 15	International Challenging Behaviour
24 th September	Module 11 Module 5 Module 6	Administration Fundamental Values of Scouting Changes in Scouting
15 th October	Module 15 Module 14	Challenging Behaviour Young People Today
26 th November	Module 13 Module 8 Module 9	Growing the Movement Skills of Leadership Working with Adults
10 th December	Module 7 Module 17	Valuing Diversity Activities Outdoors
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21 st January	Module 12 Module 18	Providing a Balanced Programme Practical Skills

All at **Bow Lane Centre**, Bow Lane, Morden.

First Module on date is am. Last Module on date pm. Please check middle Modules with your Local training Manager.

First Aid Training - ring Janet Drinkall 020 8669 4774 for information.

Gilwell Park are running various training events. Full information from ww.scouts.org.uk/adulttraining.

More Modules will be added during the year and all will be advertised here in 'LINKS'.

Anybody can do or revisit any module and is welcome to apply.