



At the end of November the 8th Wimbledon Scout Group will be holding a **Charity Auction of Football Memorabilia** with some unbelievable Christmas presents for football fans!

Items up for auction are:

- **Chelsea Champions 2005** Picture, signed by 15 Chelsea Players
- **1966 World Cup Winners** Original Team Photograph, signed by 9 Players
- Lock, Stock And 2 Smoking Barrels DVD Gold Disc, signed by **Vinnie Jones (ex-Wimbledon FC)**
- **England Shirt**, signed by **John Terry**
- Tottenham Hotspur Shirt, signed by **Jimmy Greaves**
- Manchester United Shirt, signed by **Wayne Rooney**

Visit [www.8thwimbledon.org](http://www.8thwimbledon.org) for full info!

**WE NEED YOUR HELP! Do you have friends or work colleagues who might be interested? Tell them about the auction!**

### District Store

A big thank you to Bernie Pike for sorting out the commission due to the Groups that had used the Store last year. If you encourage your members to buy their uniforms from us, your Group will benefit from a share in the profits.

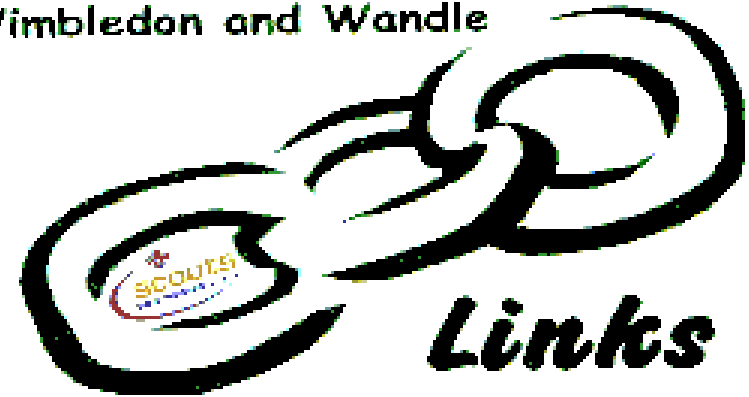
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## Wimbledon and Wandle



# Links

November 2005

Issue 18

Nov	2	Scouts incident hike	Bentley Copse
	9	Cub Scout Leaders' meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
	14	Explorer Leaders' meeting	Kenneth Black DHQ
	16	Beaver Scout Leaders' meeting	Morden Hall DHQ
	16	District Scout Quiz	
	19	Cubs' and Scouts' swimming gala	Morden Baths
	20	Fellowship 10 pin bowling	David Lloyd
	23	District Team meeting	Kenneth Black DHQ
	27	GLSW orienteering	Purley
Dec	4	Cub Handicraft competition	22 <sup>nd</sup> Wimbledon
	3	Fellowship Christmas party	
	20	Troop Scouters' Christmas meal	Park Place

*You can't do anything about the length of your life,  
but you can do something about its width and depth.*

Shira Tehrani

## DC's notes

Our plans for 2007 are beginning to emerge and I would encourage everyone to share ideas and information about activities and programmes for 2007.

Allan Woolsey District 2007 co-ordinator will be the catalyst for this and I would ask you to assist him as much as possible.

The District camp is booked for 4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> May 2007 at Blacklands Farm and I would like every Group to be represented. This is an important event in the life of our District and one we intend to be a wonderful experience for all the young people. Wherever we decided to hold the camp there would be problems which arise; one of them this time will be transport. We have time to overcome any problem and I would like to be able to ensure every Beaver, Cub, Scout and Explorer will be either able to visit or camp during the weekend.

I am hoping to receive applications for the **World Scout Jamboree** in the coming six weeks. If you need an application form, please ask and I will send copies.

Leaders considering the Contingent Support Team (CST) or the International Support Team (IST) should also be making an application. Speak to me if you are interested in working in either of these teams.

A reminder to Leaders that Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2006 is set aside for the "All Leaders' Meeting" I hope we will get another huge response as we did last year. We have John Grantham, the Insurance Manager from HQ coming to speak and it promises to be an interesting and enjoyable evening and one that you will be able to put against your ongoing learning.

A reminder to *GSL's* that our next meeting is on Wed 1<sup>st</sup> Feb at Morden Hall DHQ and by this date all census returns must have been completed and submitted, all AGM dates should be known and published and that responses to the celebration, recognition and growth paper should be ready for discussion.

The County recruitment day is 18<sup>th</sup> March 2006 and it will provide a valuable opportunity to recruit Leaders for your Group. Please put this date in your diaries as I would like all Groups requiring Leaders to commit themselves to some time during the day.

Bob Prescott

## Section Reports:

Scouts - Liz Laverick



Thank you to everyone for making me so welcome in my new role. It's good to be back in Scouting after my year's sabbatical!

I am slowly making my way around the District interviewing potential new leaders and supporting brand new leaders.

I shall be at the Incident Hike, the Swimming Gala and the Christmas meal and hope to be at the Quiz (I may have to work that evening) so look forward to meeting all of you in due course.

## NETWORK

Scout Network Report - Chris Dean

Several Scout Network members helped with various tasks at the County Explorer Night Hike on October 15, and will be turning out again on December 3 for NITEX. In November, four members will be on duty at the Cenotaph on Remembrance Sunday, while the following week we hold our Mystery Investiture. On December 9 we have organised a special badge presentation ceremony for those who have recently achieved their Queen's Scout Award. All those concerned have been notified, and further information will be published on the County website. Just before Christmas we will be at the Wimbledon Theatre for the annual pantomime followed by a bite to eat. All Network members are welcome - please contact your Local SNet Co-ordinators, Chris Griffin, Steve Grogan, or Chris Vickers for details.

The New Year gets under way with staffing at the Gilwell Winter Camp on January 6-8, then our own Winter Meet a week later. The annual hill walking trip to North Wales is February 16-19. Operation Red Flare is on March 4, and Networks are invited either to compete or judge.

Arrangements for the Explorer Belt Expedition to Lithuania next Summer are now well advanced, and following the last roadshow event at Bow Lane on October 31 we expect considerable interest from throughout GLSW.

Finally, all Network members will shortly receive the annual membership registration form, which should be completed as soon as possible and returned with the 2006 subscription to Andrew Florence, our County Administrator. Everyone's co-operation will be much appreciated.

## The new programme and award scheme

It is now a few years since the PRI changes were made. Most sections have incorporated the new programme very well. However I am not so sure about the award scheme that is inexplicably linked with the programme.

Perhaps we need a timely reminder that the award scheme is based wholly on participation in activities, which visit all the programme zones. Of course, some of the participation is challenging and so it should be. The Chief Scouts award is not, however, a judgement by Leaders that someone is good enough. The new scheme is inclusive of all abilities and disabilities; therefore if a full programme covering all zones is provided those young people that attend regularly will ALL achieve the various Chief Scouts awards.

What is important is that, as Leaders, we provide an exciting and challenging programme which young people will learn, develop and enjoy and, just as important, achieve.

Some Leaders have taken longer than others to adapt to the new scheme and now is a reminder that we must embrace the whole of the new scheme for the benefit of the young people.

I want to hear that all our young people are achieving the Chief Scouts awards in Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network and, when they do, let us celebrate the fact.

## District Diary

Please note following directory amendment:

George Gallant 8<sup>th</sup> Morden - new address  
8 Cotswold Road, Sutton, Surrey, SM2 5NL.  
Tel: 020 8642 3833

## Ron Tyrell

It is with regret we report the death of Ron Tyrell. Ron was a staunch supporter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Mitcham and of Mitcham District and an Executive member in the early years of Wandle. Our thought are with his family.

## District Chairman

In accepting the position of District Chairman it feels that my time in Scouting has come full circle.

I started as a Cub and Scout in two Wimbledon Groups. I then progressed to becoming a Scouter in the Morden & St Helier and Wandle Districts and now to the Wimbledon and Wandle District.

During my time as a Scouter I held various warrants beginning as an ASL and finishing as an ADL (Leader Training) before resigning due to family commitments. I have gained my Long Service Award and was also proud to be awarded the Silver Acorn in 1988.

I have recently retired so this has enabled me to re-establish my involvement with the Scout Movement.

Eric Hayward

## Trophies

Have you won a trophy this year? If so, will you please get it to Cliff Condon (34 Arundel Avenue, Morden) or deliver it to the Morden Hall DHQ **before the end of November**. It will then be engraved and returned to you early in January. It is important that the trophies are sent in for engraving at the same time, as there is a set-up charge payable for each batch of engraving. Thus, if one trophy is taken in it costs £4.50 set-up; if 11 trophies are taken in together it still only costs £4.50 set up, thus saving the District £45.



## Christmas Chaos

The Lantern Arts Centre presents *Christmas Chaos*, a show for all the family but specially aimed at children of Beaver/Cub age. The show will take place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December in the Lantern Centre, Tolverne Road, Raynes Park and costs £5 for adults and £3 for children. Ring the box office on 020 8944 5794 to book your seats.

## County Training for 2005 to 2007

### 2005

5 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 26 Module 24	Supporting Adults Managing Adults
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 24 Module 26	Managing Adults Supporting Adults
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Child Protection Workshop. 7.45 for 8pm.	
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 22 Module 23	Section Support Safety for Managers
20 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 23 Module 22	Safety for Managers Section Support
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 20 Module 21	Administration Growing the Movement
27 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 21 Module 20	Growing the Movement Administration
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Module 25	Assessing Learning (All day.)

### 2006

15 <sup>th</sup> January	Training Advisers Workshop.	
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Module 5 Module 6 Module 11	Fundamental values of Scouting Changes in Scouting Administration
5 <sup>th</sup> February	Module 14 Module 15	Young People Today Challenging Behavior
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Module 8 Module 9  Module 13	Skills of Leadership Working with Adults  Growing the Movement
5 <sup>th</sup> /6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> May	Module 16	Nights Away Camping at Bears Wood campsite. (Residential.)

21 <sup>st</sup> May	Module 7 Module 17	Valuing Diversity Activities Outdoors
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Module 12 Module 18	Providing a Balanced Programme Practical Skills
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Module 19 Module 15	International Challenging Behaviour
24 <sup>th</sup> September	Module 11 Module 5 Module 6	Administration Fundamental Values of Scouting Changes in Scouting
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Module 15 Module 14	Challenging Behaviour Young People Today
26 <sup>th</sup> November	Module 13 Module 8 Module 9	Growing the Movement Skills of Leadership Working with Adults
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Module 7 Module 17	Valuing Diversity Activities Outdoors

### 2007

21 <sup>st</sup> January	Module 12 Module 18	Providing a Balanced Programme Practical Skills
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All at BOW LANE SCOUT CENTRE, Bow Lane, Morden.

First Module on date is am. Last Module on date pm.

Please check middle modules with your Local Training Manager.