



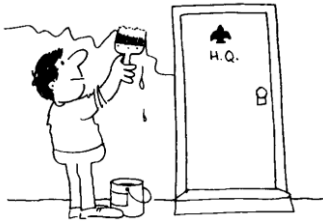
## GROUP NEWS

February 2011

### 2011 SCOUT PANTOMIME - Help / We Required

#### Building Stage

Help required to build (put together), our stage area on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February (Evening), Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> February (Morning). Please let us know if you can help us for a couple of hours. **No previous Experience required.**



#### Paint

White and or cream Emulsion - required **Gallons** for the base coat on the back cloths plus we require any paint you no longer require The paint will be used on the backcloths and props, especially bright colours

#### Wood

We require sheets of ply, plus Wooden batons 2" x 2" & 2"x 4" lengths over 5ft

#### White Sheets

(Bed or Dust) are required for backcloths, something suitable for painting Scenes on to.

#### Metal Coat Hangers

Do you have any you no longer require or where we can get 50 from !



If you can help us when any of the above, please contact **Simon** [help@pgtips.org.uk](mailto:help@pgtips.org.uk) - Thank you for your support

**Performance(s) will be on Friday / Saturday 25th / 26th March 2011**

Tickets will be on sale after half term, on a first come basis – We hope you can come and Support our SHOW !

## Group (Family) Camp

### Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd July 2011

**We are holding a family camp, in the local area Families and Friends of PG are welcome to camp with us for the weekend.**

(Note: ALL Adults camping, or taking part in the activities during the day time, need to have completed a Scout CRB Form)

**Cubs, Scouts and Young Leaders, will camp in their Sections. Beavers are only allowed to camp with their own parents. Families and Friends are welcome to camp or be day visitors.**

**The weekend will be full of Fun Activities and Games, plus a BBQ on the Saturday Evening, which all Ex members of PG and friends, are invited to attend.**

(Note: You don't have to be CRB'd to attend the BBQ)

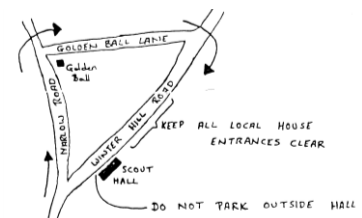
More details will be issued in the next couple of months

## WHITE LINES – Youngsters Safety at meetings

*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*

**Drive Past Winter Hill Road; turn right at Golden Ball  
down Golden Ball Lane, turn right down Winter Hill Road**

**As the evenings are dark** can we remind all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Parents to be careful when getting out of your cars and walking (**DON'T RUN**) to the Scout hall.



## An Enjoyable Day at The Pool

January saw the District Cubs, Scouts and explorers gala's take place at the Magnet, with the cubs, scouts, young leaders and parents in a pleasant vocal mood. The youngster's never fail to surprise me with their many victories year after year.

The scouts now have won the gala for the past 13 years, surely a record that will take some beating! Along with the cubs only losing twice in ten years. Again quite a record, where do we manage to find all these good swimmers. In every race bar one, we had two in every final of both the cub and scout events. Also winning the relays. How well they performed. This year PG young leaders took part in the explorer scout races with just a small number of entries. We were also successful in this. Highlight Harry Wheeler plus another treating us to a slow motion synchronised front crawl, against swimming association rules, I think?

In no particular order these are the Cub's, Scouts and Young Leaders (explorers) **we need to thank for bringing home the cups.**

**CUBS:** Harry Allcock, Lucus Jefferson, Frank Williams, Julian Sadie, Nick Conacher, Alex Norris, Josh Wallace, Cameron Cassels, Oliver Isted. In James Ashe cub young leader we were able to enter the leaders event, first time for many a year. He came second, but we hope next year he wins. Lucus Jefferson won both his finals, plus a relay to go on to collect best swimmer award, and being only eight we hope he will be able to repeat this next year. Special thanks to Mrs. Williams for volunteering to be a time judge.

**SCOUTS:** William Brenham, Alex Hodgetts, Oliver Jones, Findlay Cassels, Patrick Ashe, Robert Allcock and lastly Jordan Day-Hunt. Jordan has been in every gala since he was a cub six or seven I make it, and has always finished either first or second. He has properly earned more points for PG than anyone I can remember, we will miss you next year (Unless you become a Young Leader) Well done. Special Thanks to Mrs Patel for volunteering to be a time judge.

**EXPLORERS:** Harry wheeler Kieran Patel and James Ashe did very well against the other explorers either coming first or second in their races.

I could go on about this and that but that would take too long, what a day at the pool!



Tarka (Barry Palmer)

## FUND RAISING – PG ONLINE SHOPPING

Remember we still need your support; it is quite simple **to access our web shop, enter the address [www.buy.at/pgscouts](http://www.buy.at/pgscouts)** (or go via the link on our web site [www.pgscouts.org.uk](http://www.pgscouts.org.uk)) into your web browser and then follow the links to the merchant's sites to make your purchase.



### PLAY

Knockout deals from £3.99

**Commission: between 0.5% and 6%**  
(See 'Retailer A-Z' for commission details)



### O2 FREE SIM

Win two tickets to a Westlife Gig when you order a free SIM before Sunday 13th February.

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### Expedia

Escape the cold and book a trip to the Maldives, one of Expedia's most popular destinations for January.

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**Save money on your gas and electricity bills now!**

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### LATEROOMS

Great deals for your next business trip, e.g. 2 bedroom apartment from £59 a night.

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### ASDA GROCERY

Celebrate Chinese New Year at home with your friends & family. ASDA have a fantastic selection of great value products.

**Commission: £5.50 for new customers**



### DFDS SEAWAYS

2 for 1 Amsterdam Mini Cruises for £79 return - book by Tuesday 1st March

**Commission: 5% on city cruises**



### AMAZON

Check out their deals of the week - jewellery & watches, electronics & computing, home & kitchen and much more

**Free UK delivery & no minimum purchase!**

The web shop contains a range of merchants, including many household names such as the Coop, Welcome Holidays and Blackwells Books, selling a wide variety of different products from holidays and flights to books and even beds! PG earns between 3% - 15% of the value of all goods bought through the shop.

**We encourage you to support this initiative** as there is no administration for PG and therefore it is effortless fundraising. Additionally, it does not take many purchases by even a small proportion of members for the commission to add up over the year. You must go via this web site for us to get commission.

Here's the address again, [www.buy.at/pgscouts](http://www.buy.at/pgscouts). **And don't forget to tell your friends**

## CENSUS

**PG Numbers for the 2011 Census** are: 25 Beavers, 37 Cubs, 43 Scouts & 25 Adult Leaders & Helpers, making a Total of 130. The Scouts numbers have gone down since 2009 due to the age range changes for the Scout section. We have to pay the District / County / Scout Association approx £33 per member, so we have a bill over £4,200 to pay next month.

## BEAVER NEWS

Beavers has got off to a fantastic start this term, we've got lots of activities planned around the theme of space and have already done some start gazing after brushing up on our knowledge of the constellations! Coming up this term we have a space themed junk craft competition, making our own edible planets, and our annual district Beaveree on March 5th at Altwood School which this year has the theme of 'Children's Books'.

We sadly say goodbye to three of our beavers: Logan Bruce, Tom Knott and Miles Boxell as they swam up to cubs this term but we wish them well and hope they are enjoying cubs!

We would like to welcome three new beavers and their families to the colony: Isaac Deans, James Huband and Archie Cottington who were invested in January. Great to have you join us!

Hathi (*Catherine Weeks*)

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## CUB NEWS


### Cub New Year's Party By Harry Allcock.

I had a fantastic time at the party. We all came dressed as our favourite cartoon character, and I was Shaun the Sheep! There were lots of great games to play, including Musical Chairs and the Chocolate game where we had to throw a 6, then put on hat and gloves, cut a chocolate bar with a knife and fork and try to eat some before the next person threw a 6. There was a lot of lovely food to eat as well at the party... I liked the cucumber sticks and the chocolate biscuits best!

More to follow in next month's edition!

Akela (*Jon Corbitt*)

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### Cupas Farms

PG Scouts are being supported by Copas Farms. Geoffrey Copas has given PG storage space for our larger items of equipment. Thank you for your ongoing support of PG Scouts

## SCOUT NEWS

### 2011's Pantomime - "DICK WHITTINGTON"



**The main cast members in this year's production are:** Robert Allcock, James Ashe, Patrick Ashe, James Carr, John Conacher, Jordan Day-Hunt, Matthew Dixon, Richard Hurst, Jay Hutchins, James Kersey, Aiden Milston, Jake Milston, Jonathan Otun, Kieran Patel, Jamie Sellers, Tom Sellers and Kieran Wijesinghe

**They have been rehearsing twice a week, since the beginning of January.**

**We hope that those Scouts who are not in,** or helping, with this year's production will all come and see it on either Friday 25th or Saturday 26th March.

Tickets will be available from end of February

### New Scouts

We would like to welcome three new Scouts and their families to the Troop: Adam Cox, Tim Fyffe and Ben Williams, who have made their Scout Promises and been invested as members of PG Scouts. We would like to wish them good Scouting at PG

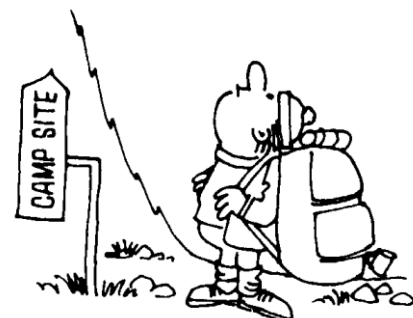
### Cross Country Competition

The Cross Country Competition is split into two events, the Junior Course is 2 miles, and the Senior Course is 3 miles,

We hope that all Scouts will support the Troop and take part in this event

Date: Saturday 12th March, 11am at the Scout Hall.

**We are looking for help with this event, from adults to help as Marshals**





### District Football Competition

Any Scout who wishes to be part of PG's Six A Side Football team, for the District Football competition, please let BoB know

Competition Date: Sunday 3rd April 2011

### LAN Event

The Scouts are planning to hold an LAN event during half term. Any Scouts interested in taking part please let Simon Know

### MINI Buses

We are looking to hire at least three mini buses for this years Summer Camp Friday 22nd July to Friday 5th August 2011 If you know where we can hire a mini buses from for a reasonable price, or does your school have one we can hire, please let Simon have the details Emails: [help@pgtips.org.uk](mailto:help@pgtips.org.uk)

### Help Running Cubs Meeting in Woods

We are looking for help from Scouts to run the cub meeting during half term.. Wednesday 23rd February 2011, Scouts will be organising bases for an incident hike If available to help, please let Simon know

### Laser Quest Competition

PG is taking part in this year's District Laser Quest Competition. If you would like to take part let Simon know. Places will be allocated in the order we receive your name.

### Special Thank you

The Troop leaders would like to thank the Patrol Leaders, Richard Hurst, Myles Rankin, Jordan Day-Hunt, James Carr and Aidan Milston, for inviting them a to a special "Thank You" meal at Richard's house The produced an excellent three course meal for the Troop Scout leaders. Special thank you goes to Mr & Mrs Hurst for letting the PLs use their kitchen and leaving them to cook the meal.

### Troop Camp

The first big camp of 2011, when the whole Troop goes away for the weekend, camp

**Date: Friday 20th May to Sunday 22nd May 2011**



### District Swimming Gala

Well done to PG Scout team who won the Gala, and were presented with the Myer Shield (We first won it in 1918). Thank you goes to Barry Palmer for sorting out the Scout team, plus Scouts and parents who supported the team

**Simon Wheeler**

### Siblings

If you have not told Raksha if you have a sibling of a Beaver, Cub or Scouts, please contact Sheila Stinton (Mhd 628160) and make sure that their name is on the waiting list. We have got youngster on the waiting list who were born in the last couple of months



### Yellow PG T-Shirt

All boys will need to wear a yellow PG T shirt under their Beaver, Cub jersey or Scout Shirt, as they tend to get quite warm in the at some meeting and summer months. (Something to look forward to) **They should continue to arrive and leave in their full uniform.** If you need a new PG T shirt, these are available from Raksha (Sheila Stinton), 76, Pinkneys Road. Sheila usually brings the T-shirts to Cub and Beaver meetings. Her phone number is 01628 628160. Raksha also has PG Scarves.

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