



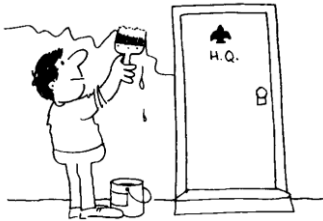
GROUP NEWS

February 2012

2012 SCOUT PANTOMIME - Help / We Required

Building Stage

Help required to build (put together), our stage area on Friday 10th February (Evening), Saturday 11th February and Sunday 12th 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 - Thank you for your support

Aladdin - Performance(s) will be on Friday / Saturday 23rd / 24th March 2012

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



We are **Active Kids 2012**

Active Kids will be underway from 15th February 2012 – and we need a team effort!

We're taking part in Sainsbury's Active Kids 2012. We hope to collect as many vouchers as possible which we can use for some great new equipment and experiences.

Thanks to you, in 2011 we collected enough vouchers to buy some new games equipment and orienteering equipment. This year we want to aim even higher so we need a big team effort, and that includes you!

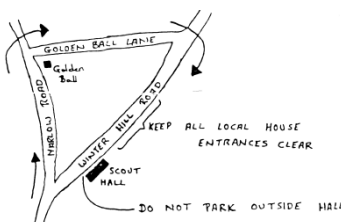
You can collect Active Kids vouchers from 15 February to 10 April 2012. You'll receive 1 voucher for every £10 spent at any Sainsbury's main store or £5 spent in Sainsbury's convenience stores. You'll also receive vouchers for groceries online and at petrol stations, plus Nectar points can be turned into Active Kids vouchers too – visit nectar.com for details.

So please help us collect by donating your vouchers to us, and let anyone and everyone know that we're taking part in Active Kids! Your efforts are really appreciated and make a huge difference.

Please send the vouchers along to your child's meeting.

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 Lemon Tree 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.

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(or go via the link on our web site www.pgscouts.org.uk) into your web browser and then follow the links to the merchant's sites to make your 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 and it is effortless fundraising. It does not take many purchases for the commission to add up over the year. Simply go via this link and make it a favourite for your shopping needs. No registration – No spam!

Here's the address again, www.spendandraise.com/pgscouts/

. . . And don't forget to tell your friends

Yellow PG T-Shirt

All youngsters 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 Scarf's.

CENSUS

PG Numbers for the 2012 Census are: 32 Beavers, 38 Cubs, 43 Scouts & `30 Adult Leaders & Helpers, making a Total of 143. We have to pay the District / County / Scout Association approx £33 per member, so we have a bill over £4,600 to pay next month.

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.

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BEAVER NEWS

Littlewick Colony

NO Report

Winter Hill Colony

A-hoy me hearties!

Another year has arrived and the beavers are entering into it in buccaneering style as our theme this term is 'pirates'. The beavers will be learning how to read a compass, making ships biscuits, building and sailing pirate ships, and learning all about what it was like to sail the seven seas as a pirate! We will be teaming up with Littlewick Green for a pirate party and will be making our own pirate costumes!



We welcome 5 new beavers to our colony this term; Edward Aslett-Clark, Oscar Bennett, Henry Carter-Shaw, Charlie Holman and Ben Jones. We hope that you enjoy beavers and we extend a warm PG welcome to you and your families.

Please remember to be especially careful in the dark evenings when dropping off and picking up your beavers and to avoid blocking the driveways of our neighbours.

Hathi (Catherine Weeks)

Pinkneys Green Scouts

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CUB NEWS

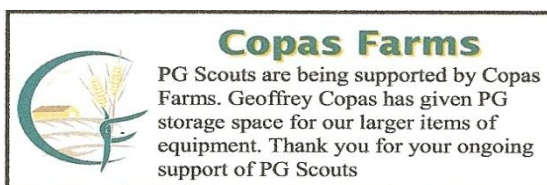
At the time of writing the Cubs have only had one pack meeting this year which was used to blow away the Christmas cobwebs by having a games evening. We also started a new term of the Star Six points competition - points are awarded for attendance, inspection turnout and participation in the activities undertaken each week. Red Six are the current holders of the cup, and are already narrowly leading again after week one!

Despite only having had one pack meeting, the first District event of the year has already been held in the form of the Swimming Gala. Following a fantastic effort, PG Cubs won the Gala again this year, and by a healthy margin. By the time of printing you will hopefully have seen some photos of the event and the PG team in the Maidenhead Advertiser. The PG team consisted of Olly Hickey, Jake Bennett, Harry Allcock, Lucas Jefferson, Nick Conacher, Alfie Mifsud, Cameron Cassels, Robert Rayfield and Jake Noyce. A special mention must go to Lucas Jefferson who won all his races and also collected the prize for best individual performance. However, as the Cubs will know, the Scout motto is "Be Prepared", and the team were excellently prepared due to Tarka's (Barry's) hard work, coaching and organisation - it certainly paid off!



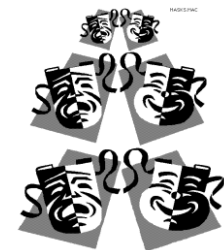
With January's PG Tips was attached a list of key dates from which I wanted to highlight the two most important for the Cub section. These are the Parent & Son camp on 4th-6th May and Cub Camp on 7th-9th September. While these are both some way off still, they are really important events for the Cubs' development. Attendance for the full weekends will be really beneficial and confidence building - watch this space for further information.

MYSA (David Barnes).



SCOUT NEWS

2012's Pantomime - "Aladdin"



The main cast members in this year's production are: 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, Tom Sellers Joshua Wallace, Robert Anderson, George Knott, and Christopher Otun

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 23rd or Saturday 24th 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:

Robert Anderson has transferred to PG after being a Scout in Canada.

Louis Cadinouche, and Christopher Otun, 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 3rd 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 22nd April 2012

LAN Event

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



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MINI Buses

We are looking to hire at least three mini buses for this years Summer Camp Friday 20th July to Thursday 2nd August 2012 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

Help Running Cubs Meeting in Woods

We are looking for help from Scouts to run the cub meeting during half term.. Wednesday 15th February 2012, 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.

Troop Camp

The first big camp of 2012, when the whole Troop goes away for the weekend, camp

Date: Friday 20th May to Sunday 22nd May 2012

Special Thank you

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



District Swimming Gala

Well done to PG Scout team who were runners up in the District Swimming Gala. Thank you goes to Barry Palmer for sorting out the Scout team, plus Scouts and parents who supported the team

Simon Wheeler
Scout Leader

Group Events Coming Up

23rd March, 7pm, 24th March 3pm & 7pm - PG Pantomime ALADDIN

28th April, 10.30am – Group Jumble Sale

29th April, 2pm – District St Georges Day Event

19th May, Group Jumble Sale

4th June, Special Group *Queens Diamond Jubilee* Event

Calling All Parents – Can you spare 30 Minutes – Once a term?

Please would you consider joining the Weekly Cleaning Rota to help us keep the Hall spick & span?

We need more parents from June 2012 onwards to replace parents who have moved on. Originally, I volunteered to help, because I preferred the Beaver, Cub & Scout Leaders to concentrate on the activities than cleaning. It has been such a success last year we really want to keep the Rota going. More on the list means doing it further apart - maybe less than once a term. It has not gone unnoticed by other Scout Groups that we manage to do this. Great role-models for your Youngster's! There is lots of flexibility about when you come – you volunteer to clean the kitchen & loo during one week, and then pass the key onwards. Surprisingly, we have noticed that Thursdays works best for everyone but as long as you check with Simon, it is pretty much up to you. Cleaning materials are supplied (I recommend you bring your own rubber gloves). If you think you can join the Rota, please contact me. I am so grateful to all those already involved.



Thanks

Pauline Patel

PG Parent Cleaning Rota Coordinator. Tel: Home 01628 670063 Mob 07791 230354 Email: cleaning@pgscouts.org.uk



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