



## GROUP NEWS

April 2014

### St George's Day Event

This year as normal PG will be taking part in the years St George's Day Event (Patron Saint of Scouting & England).

- Date: SUNDAY 27th April 2014
- Meet: Howarth Road, off Stafferton Way, at 1.55pm.
- Parents: If you are available we hope you will be able to join us for this special District Scouting event
- Finish: Approx 4.20pm, back at Howarth Road
- Dress: Full uniform is to be worn and in case of wet weather everyone will need to bring a rucksack with a drink and their waterproof.
- Collection: Money for Collection, in aid of *Thames Valley Adventure Playground Charity*



We really encourage every Beaver, Cub, Scout and Young Leader to attend this event as it celebrates our patron saint of scouting, as well as reminding us what being part of the scouting movement is all about, plus take part in an hour of fun packed activities.

### Spring Jumble Sale



We are looking for help collecting Jumble or sorting on **Friday 2 May, 6.30pm** at the Scout Hall from Parents / friends. A car or van would be very useful. We also require help on the Saturday morning 3rd May 2014, 10am selling the Jumble and clearing up afterwards.

Parents will be receiving a phone call from a parent coordinator – Offers of help or for more information, please contact one of our Sale Coordinator - Email: [jumble@pgscouts.org.uk](mailto:jumble@pgscouts.org.uk)

Last year we raised over **£1,100** at our Jumble Sales, this supports your sons in their Scouting at PG

Jumble Sale Date: **Saturday 3rd May 2014 - 10.30am**

**PARENTS We need your support, please help us raise money to support your son at Beavers, Cubs or Scouts. We cannot manage without the support of parents**

**Don't leave it to others - if you can spare a couple of hours on Frid 2nd or Sat 3rd - It would be great**

### Summer Fair HELP Wanted -

We are looking for some help with organising this year's Summer Fair. We will also require more volunteers could help to organise the stalls and games we run on the day. Mums and Dads, especially from the Cub and Beaver sections would be really useful.

Anyone willing to help, contact our fair coordinator **Nathalie Watson** e-mail [fair@pgscouts.org.uk](mailto:fair@pgscouts.org.uk)



**Fair Date is Sunday 22nd June 2014**

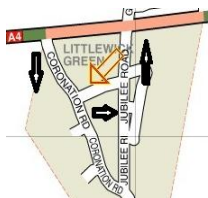
### Gardeners

Gardeners can we plea for any plants which people are splitting, or any extra seedlings left over to save them for the Summer Fair plant stall. Please ask grandparents and neighbours as no gardener likes throwing plants out. They would much rather find a new home for them.

## YOUNGSTERS SAFETY DROPPING OFF TO MEETINGS

**PINKNEYS GREEN** - Scout Hall Winter Hill Road - *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*

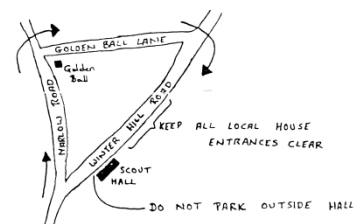
Please Don't park in the drive way of Christmas Cottage or Pond House (Houses next to the hall)



**LITTLEWICK GREEN** - Gilchrist Village Hall - can we also remind parents dropping off and picking up **Do not park in Gilchrist Way** as this is strictly reserved for residents.

We ask parents to please park a little further down on Jubilee Road or on Coronation Road and walk up; you may need a torch! **Please ask your Childs leader** if you are not sure.

**Thank you for your support in keeping our neighbours HAPPY.**



## Marquee Erection Team

**Parents** we are still looking to spread the load of putting up our Marquees (Two or Three times a year) It is a good way to earn more money to support our group but it does require man power to erect the marquees for our customers. A team of 6 to 8 people are required plus someone with a tow bar to take the marquee trailer. Usually for a weekend hire the marquee is put up on a Thursday or Friday evening and taken down on a Sunday or Monday, although this varies and could be changed to suit the team. Teams in the past have become expert and the erection can take only an hour or so.

**Please consider if you could add your name to the list of team members.** You would be contacted each time to see if you would be available Ideally a phone number and e-mail would be on our list so that the co-ordinator can reach you easily.

Please send your details to our parent co-ordinator Ian Marshall (07799 555444 or [marquee@pgscouts.org.uk](mailto:marquee@pgscouts.org.uk) ) or let your Childs leader know, that you would like to be involved.



## Cotswold Outdoor

Cotswold Outdoor is in partnership with The Scouts Association and the recommended retailer for all your outdoor essentials.

All members will also be entitled to a discount in Cotswold Outdoors:

- 20% for adult members, - need to take you Membership card
- 15% for youth members – Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers –

## Fishing Equipment and Outdoor Clothing

*Maidenhead Bait and Tackle*

11 - 13 Station Parade  
Cookham

Tel: 01628 - 530500

*For all your Fishing Equipment  
Requirements*

need to take your PG Scarf

## PHOTOCOPYING – PG TIPS

Due to a parent changing their job, we are looking for some help with photocopy PG Tips ever month. It is normally 2 sheets (4 sides). If you can do 20 or 50 copies a month please email Simon at [help@pgtips.org.uk](mailto:help@pgtips.org.uk) Thank you goes to our current printers for your support.

## Have you got SIX GREEN FOLDING CHAIRS !

We have lent SIX Green folding chairs (the Scout ones) to someone; if it was you can you **please return them as soon as possible.** You can do it anonymously, in a brown envelope if required

We were short of chairs for the pantomime, so would appreciate them being returned.



## PG – ONLINE SHOPPING

Remember we need your support; it is quite simple to access our online web shop, enter the address <http://www.spendandraise.com/pgscouts/> or go via the link on our web site, into your web browser and then follow the links to the merchant's sites to make your purchase.

**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, <http://www.spendandraise.com/pgscouts/> .

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

A big THANK YOU goes to everyone who has supported us

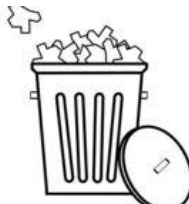
## **BABYSITTING SERVICE**

Hi, I'm *Grace Marshall* and as a fundraiser for the *Japan Jamboree*. I am offering **babysitting services**. I have been a young leader at WH Beaver colony for a year; I'm 15 years old and live in Maidenhead.

If you are interested, please call or text me at **07501 368 477**.

## Black Sacks of Rubbish

A very big thank you goes to all the Beaver, Cub and Scout parents who have taken home a black bag of rubbish. To save the leaders having to take it down to the local rubbish tip



Pinkneys Green Scouts

**MARQUEE  
FOR HIRE**

Large Marquees 20ft x 40ft  
or White Tent 14ft x 24ft

**For more detail and prices** (Includes Pitching/Insurance)

**Call:** Ian Marshall 07799 555444  
**Email:** [marquee@pgscouts.org.uk](mailto:marquee@pgscouts.org.uk)

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We're taking part in *Sainsbury's Active Kids 2014*. We hope to collect as many vouchers as possible which we can use for some great new equipment and experiences.

Please Collect *Active Kids* vouchers for PG, when you shop at Sainsbury's till 20th May and donate them to us. They can then redeem them for active and sports equipment and experiences, and much much more.

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.** Send the vouchers along

## BEAVER NEWS

### PG Winter Hill Colony

Winter Hill Beavers had a lovely time at the Beaveree this year, enjoying learning circus skills very much. We also enjoyed seeing all the beavers from across the District and made lots of new friends!

We've had successful meetings run by the scouts where the Beavers learnt to entertain in order to gain their creative badge (we hope the beavers have been very good at practicing their entertaining at home!). We also had a very muddy night hike where the beavers came back looking like they had been rolling in it rather than walking! We learnt all about the beaver story and what real beavers are like as well.

We would like to welcome two new beavers: Tristan and Dominic Sell, who have been invested, we hope they have a very happy time here at PG!

As the weather gets warmer we are hoping to take the beavers outside more, please be reminded that uniform trousers and shorts are navy, and a yellow PG activity t-shirt can be purchased from Raksha at meetings.

**Hathi** (Catherine Weeks)



### PG Littlewick Colony

Hi all! First of all I would like to welcome a new beaver to Littlewick Green, so a big welcome to Rueben Bharj and his Family

On the 24th February we had a sponsor fancy dress skipping event. We were hoping the Beavers would do 200 skips though out the meeting, but they did a well over 600 skips!!!! So a big thank you, and well done to all the Beavers who took part. We made £145.00!!!! All the money raised went to TVAP. Thank you for your support!

On the 8th March we had this year's annual District Beaveree. The theme this year was Circus. The Beavers enjoyed a variety of activities including face painting, making clown masks and circus tricks. Thank you to all the Beavers who came along and made the successful day so special!

Till next time.....

**LG Hawkeye** (Veronica Martin)

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## CUB NEWS

### PG Winter Hill Pack

Since half term our usual variety of activities have continued with the Cubs making use of the Panto stage being up to show off their talents including musical performances, magic tricks and jokes. We followed that by an evening of making pancakes... and by the end of the evening we had three that came out flat as opposed to a ball-shaped! Well done to Oscar Bennett for producing the best pancake and thanks to Jacala (*Jon Corbitt*) for running the evening. More recently we have been working on our Emergency Aid badges. We also had success at the District Flag Competition where Winter Hill came third - congratulations to *Ben Jones, Sean Montgomery, Edwin Isted, Freddie Stevens, Josef Basarab* and *Lucas Roberts*!

Planning is now well advanced for our second Parent & Cub Camp which will be held between 24-26th May at Ferny Crofts Scout Activity Centre in the New Forest. This event was first run in 2012 and was a huge success - I only hope this one lives up to it. However, I'm not sure how we will beat the glorious weather (and massive water fight) we had that year! Please return the forms ASAP if you want to come. On that note, make sure you save the date for our annual Cub Camp - Friday 5th - Sunday 7th September - full details next term.

Until next month,  
**WH Akela** (*David Barnes*)



### PG Littlewick Pack

It was a very proud moment for us when Littlewick came 2nd in the District Flag Competition, only 2 points short of coming 1st! It was also a great result for PG as the Winterhill Cub pack came closely behind in 3rd position. A very well done to the 6 cubs who represented the Littlewick Cubs - William Hoad, Jude Taylor, Alexander Watson, Charlotte Wilkinson, Abby Jones and Ava Neeves. We had some fabulous feedback from the other Cub Leaders on the day on the team's performance and their fantastic team work. B.R.A.V.O.

We had an evening of pioneering skills and knots which was run by 2 PG Scouts. The cubs had lots of fun trying to build the tallest tower out of canes and rubber bands. Thanks to Matthew and Ben for their support and help in running this event ☺

We have also just completed our Book Reader Activity badge where the cubs brought in 6 of their best loved fiction and non-fiction books and told the rest of the pack all about them. It was great to see so many of the cubs so enthusiastic about the books they had enjoyed! We are also visiting St Marks Nursing Home to deliver a special Easter Story performance with songs and poems. For this the cubs have been learning all about the story of Jesus and why we celebrate Easter and that it's not just about consuming lots of chocolate eggs!

Next term we are all looking forward to getting out on the Green more as the finer weather eventually arrives. Has anyone spotted Littlewick Green and the Gilchrist Hall in the latest Carling advert...? Here's a link if you want to watch it. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z1OKFQYzitM>

Until next time,  
**Rama** (Sarah Jones)

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## **SCOUT NEWS**

### **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 Simon know

**Competition Date:** Sunday 18th May 2014



### **St Georges Day Event**

Please make a note of the date – **Sunday 27th April 2014**, Howarth Road, off Stafferton Way, at 1.55pm. This year the Scouts will be walking along the Green Way to Braywick Nature reserve, before taking part in an event with Scouts from all over Maidenhead. Parents can attend if they want to

### **Cross Country Competition** -

Well Done to *Robert Anderson* on coming second in the Senior event, plus all the Scouts who made the effort to attend

**New Scouts** - We would like to welcome seven Cubs *Daniel Wallace, Dillon Flew, Ethan Treacy, Jake Bennett, Marc Ashton, Josef Basarab* and *Lucas Roberts* and their families to the Troop. They have started their **Moving Up Award** and will be invested at the beginning of April as members of the Scout Troop/

**Laser Quest Competition** - PG team: *Tom Sellers, Edward Bennett, Jonathan Otun, and George Knott. Zac Gordon Smith, Harvey Neeves, Jake Milston, Henry Judge, Dhruv Mehta* and *Tom Knott*. Are through to the District semi-finals of this year's Laser Quest competition, they will be playing 21st Maidenhead team

**Cycling** - *Can all Parents, Scouts & Young Leaders note the following*

- (i) Any Scout or Young Leader who cycles to the Scout Hall must have his bike in a roadworthy condition with **working front and back lights**
- (ii) All Scouts & YLs Cycling to/from Scout activities **wear a Cycle Helmet, plus Hi Vis vest.**
- (iii) That their bike is in roadworthy condition



**Simon Wheeler** (Scout Leader)



### **World Scout Jamboree Japan 2015**

A big thank you goes to everyone who supported / attended an enjoyable Race Evening at Newlands School on Saturday 15th March. We raised £506 profit, for the 2015 World Scout Jamboree

It was a very good evening, had great atmosphere, a bit of a technical glitch but we got through that with Patrick and magic tricks, we know what to do now and will do another in the autumn

Many Thanks *George Knott, Patrick Ashe & Grace Marshall*

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