

Fillongley Scout Group—Parents Newsletter



July / August 2013

Welcome to the 1st edition of our revamped Newsletter, the idea of this is to share with you as parents things we have running in the groups, things we have done during the last term and other items that we need you keep you informed of. Any suggestions of things we ought to cover in this Newsletter is always welcome, please email us on fillongleyscouts@btinternet.com

Subs: Subs for the Autumn term will be £33.00 for a single child, £55.00 for 2 children and for 3 its £77.00, to be paid to leader of your section within 2 weeks of returning from the six week holiday.

100 Club—Winners are: May— Joy Hammond, James Wilson and Gail Arnold we are always looking for more support with the 100 club, so if you are interested about joining, please speak to one of the leaders.



We have also had designed for us some Fillongley Scouts hoodies, please see the website for an order form.

Upcoming Events:

Church Parade— 6th October, 10th November

Scout / Explorer Summer Camp—Brownsea Island, total 40 attending for the 1st week of the school holidays, we will follow up with what they got upto in our next newsletter.

Archery weekend for Scouts and Explorers—13th to 15th September at Fillongley lodge. Option maybe available for Cubs and Beavers to attend, look out for further details over the summer break.

District Campfire and Fun night - Rough Close - 12th October

District Beaver Sleepover, 16th November—National Space Centre, Leicester

Swimming Gala—16th November, details to follow

Christmas bag pack—M&S RICOH 23rd November

Beaver Christingle—6th December, letter to follow in Autumn term



Beavers: This term the Beavers had a very successful camp at Broadwater, the badges worked on have included Healthy Eating and Experiment., we managed some back-woods cooking and a nature walk. We have lots of things lined up for the Autumn term... watch this space.



Cubs: Cubs have continued to work on several badges including Global challenge, which involved letting some ducks on balloons go when we were on sleepover, one made it into Northern Ireland. Completing Road Safety and having a Cricket session at the Cricket ground just before we break up. Next term will see some new starters from Beavers (5 in total), bringing the pack upto around 24 in number.



Scouts: Working on Nautical skills in prep for Brownsea and local heritage

Other results:

Cubs—in keeping with tradition won the District football competition



Meet the Parent Reps:



Alan Hewitt—Beavers: I was very involved with Scouting from when I was younger, and wanted to give my children and others the opportunity to experience what I also enjoyed.



Darren Pinfold—Cubs: Hi, my name is Darren Pinfold, father of Lucas who's been attending cubs for just over 12 months now after graduating from Beavers. I first got involved with cubs by helping out occasionally when required on Wednesday evenings. I was then asked to be parent representative and was pleased to accept as whilst I have ideas of my own, I feel that I am very approachable and am more than happy to listen to and put forward any suggestions you may have as parents. Please feel free to come and say hello anytime, I'm around most weeks and would love to hear your thoughts.



Neil Griffiths—Scouts: Our son Oliver has been in the section through Beavers with Alison and then Cubs with Andy. Through this time I, and often my family, had the opportunity to join in on trips and other events, including some camps which we really enjoyed. We try to help out from time to time with events and I either volunteered or was volunteered to be a parent rep! Our daughter Eve was also a Rainbow and is now a Brownie. Oliver went up to Scouts in January, and since Scouts is on a Thursday evening, which was a free evening for me, I volunteered to help out as an assistant. Within no time Lesley had slapped a uniform on me and enrolled me, along with Eddy from Explorers, in a course over 2 weekends which enables us to supervise our Scouting kid's in Archery.

Finally, we'd just like to remind parents that the hut is in the middle of the recreation field and as such children will run over the parking area without looking, so please when entering or exiting please do so at a safe speed. You may not be aware but the car-park does have an extension to it, it's the grassy area to the right prior to the picket fence, so if the main car park is full please use this area.

Many thanks for your continued support, hope you've enjoyed our 1st news letter, and feedback is more than welcome and most of all enjoy your summer break and we'll see you back at the hut in your appropriate sections week commencing 2nd September.

