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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Fifth edition of The 20th.

I think you'll find this another interesting issue as all sections have been so busy and there is still so much coming up. It is lovely to see more and more parents joining in.

This centenary year has been really special to everyone and hopefully one that all members will never forget.

The Family Camp Reunion was one that I personally will never forget. Numbers reached 70+ at the BBQ and campfire. There was such a relaxed atmosphere and it was so lovely to see ex-ventures helping the Cubs with their tent and ex-leaders and members of the 20th joining in and teaching new skills to the Scouts. Barry and I would like to personally thank everybody involved in running the camp and for the support of everyone who attended. The Beavers, Cubs and Scouts were a credit to us all, so much so that I forgot I was a leader at times.

If you do feel that you would like to get more involved with any aspect of the Scout group, then please mention it to any of the leaders. You would be very welcome and the level of time and commitment would be entirely up to you.

I hope you enjoy this issue and please spread the word about the 20th Lewisham South Scout Group

Penny

Penny Hann
Scout Leader

If you have any articles ideas, contributions or news then please email me at:
penny@20thlewishamsouth.co.uk



Banger's Quiz

It's quiz night again! Get your thinking caps on and start training your brain now!

It is on the 10th November at Brownhill Baptist Church. There will be drinks and burgers and hot dogs. The atmosphere is one of light heartedness and fun. Please tell your friends and family about it. An invitation will be coming to you soon.

Gift Service

As part of our relationship with the Brownhill Baptist Church, who let us use the church for free for our troop meetings, we have offered to run the whole Gift service on the 9th December. This means that it requires a commitment from your Beaver, Cub and Scout and we would like to see as many parents there as possible. We will be choosing the hymns, doing sketches and readings and generally trying to make it as Christmassy and fun as we can. We will also be decorating the Christmas tree in the church too as we noticed that there wasn't one there last year! There will also be a district Carol Service on the same day at a different venue. Times to be confirmed nearer the time.

WHAT'S COMING UP?

Christmas Cards

After the success of last year's Christmas Card sales, we have decided to get the Beaver's, Cubs and Scouts to design some more Christmas cards. A sister of a Scout parent has agreed to print them off free of charge. So, please don't buy your Christmas cards yet - buy them from your Scout Group and help raise money for equipment and days out. All of which will benefit your little darlings!

Active Kids Vouchers

Thanks to everyone who collected the vouchers - we collected **3,845** vouchers and here's some of the items we ordered:

Hang a hoop (46cm)
Davies target balls
Fuzzballs
Pop up target with bunkers
Pyramid Velcro® bean bags
Vegetable peeler
Kangaroo balls
Davies school stopwatch
DSX ideal inflator
Wooden spoon
Can opener
Frying pan
Compasses
Z-balls
Hoops (76cm)

Next year, we might choose one larger item to save up for. If you have any ideas about what this item could be then please let your leader know.



SCOUTS

**By Penny Hann
(Scout Leader)**

Back to the Future Camp

We were hoping that the District camp at Frylands Wood would be different from Winter camp and that we might be able to get the sun cream out. But no! It absolutely poured with rain. We managed to survive the whole weekend but did get parents to pick up their scouts a bit early as it was just getting ridiculous.

Scouting sunrise

After pizza, games and photos of the Jamboree, we went to bed. Knowing we would be safe from the elements outdoors, we thought that the sunrise sleepover at the church would be a doddle. Little did we realise that the sound would be amplified in the large church hall. So much so, that the leaders didn't get a wink of sleep. Some of the Cubs and Scouts managed to get an hour or so but we were up again at 4.30 to stand on the church roof and watch the sun rise. We then decided it wasn't worth going back to bed so everyone got up and packed away and then we had a small flag break and blew the candles out on our centenary birthday cake.

Kandersteg

Wow!! What a trip!!
Where to begin? Our ten day holiday was spent in the Swiss mountains camping at the

International Scout Centre in Kandersteg. We were surrounded on all sides by mountains and rushing rivers. Activities included, white water rafting, canyoning, taboggoning, swimming in ice-cold lakes and seeing waterfalls. Not to mention all the Scouts from all over the world that we met and swapped scarves and badges with. If you want to see photos and hear accounts from the Scouts themselves then please go to the website and click on Podcast: <http://www.20thlewishamsouth.co.uk/Kandersteg2007/>

Family Camp

What a wonderful weekend. Our first dry camp of 2007 (apart from the Sunrise sleepover which was indoors). The weather was beautiful, the behaviour of the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, parents and ex-members was exceptional. Even the leaders managed behave! There was a superb campfire run by guest Paul O'Brian with lots of active songs. I think it is fair to say that Barry (Scout leader) and Geoff (Group Treasurer) were the stars of the show as the 'Lily White Boys'.

Malcolm

We would like to express a very warm welcome to our new Scout Leader Malcolm (parent of a cub and beaver). He has been a breath of fresh air with his games and enthusiasm. We are very pleased to have him in board.



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What else have we been up to?

Day visit to Jamboree

Barry and Penny attended the World Scout Jamboree at Hylands Park in Chelmsford, Essex. Forty thousand children from around the world enjoyed the 21st World Scout Jamboree, which was hosted by the United Kingdom this year. This year's event was really special because it marks 100 years since the Scout Association was formed. The Scouts were sleeping in mini-camps, with their own cooking facilities and tents of all shapes and sizes. More news of the Jamboree can be found here: <http://eng.thejamboree.org/>

People's Day

As part of the fundraising for the Switzerland trip the 4th and 20th Lewisham South Scout Groups ran a stall at People's Day in Lewisham. It was a huge success and we raised over £500.00!

Fondue night

Also, as part of our preparations for the big trip, we made a chocolate fondue and a very smelly cheese fondue one evening. Very brave cubs even came up for a taste.

District Air Rifle Championships

On Saturday 6th October, Four Scouts, a parent and Penny went to the District Rifle Shooting competition. Ed won the medal for the second year running in Field targets competition. Well done Ed!

Barry and I would like to thank all the parents that have been such a great support and help. Especially, Jackie Wood and Hazel and John Savill.

You can see all the photos of our antics here:
http://www.20thlewishamsouth.co.uk/Photos/Scout_photos.htm





BEAVERS

My Family Camp

By Catrina Howard (Beaver)

I went on the Family Camp weekend. I had fun, we had a game of tug-of-war. We had to make a fire and cook our dinner. I made a kite and also had a go on the go-kart. The in the evening we were singing songs around the camp fire. Then I went to bed in the tent.

On Sunday we did a trail where we had to guess animals. After lunch we packed up to go home. I got a badge for staying over night.

Also, we toasted marshmallows.

BEAVERS NEED YOU!

Our Beaver colony is thriving so we need adult help.

Irene (the Beaver Leader) will be creating a rota of helpers.

If we get enough helpers it could mean that you help once every 6 weeks or less.

If you think you can help, as much or as little as you wish, can you let Irene know.

Beavers runs from 4.30 – 6pm every Tuesday.

Please tell a Leader if you are interested or phone Irene on: 020 8461 0633



CUBS

Family Camp 2007

Written by the Cubs

What we did at Camp

When we arrived, we set up our tent. Then we did flag break. After that we had a game of tug-of-war.

Next we went in a bit of the forest to set up fires to cook on. After lunch we learnt 3 knots and we made a centenary poster. Then we got split into 4 groups to go round 4 bases called air, earth, fire and water.

What we liked about camp

We liked making our own fire and cooking lunch on it. I liked it when Paul sang songs with us around the campfire. The water slide and water rockets were great fun and so was the blind trail. It was fun sleeping in the tent but we were a bit scared of the spiders.



BRING A FRIEND

One of the aims of the 2007 centenary year is to the boost the number of Scout association members.

If your enjoying Scouts, why not bring a friend along to join you Scout Troop & let them enjoy it to.

You could earn the "Bring a Friend" badge





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2007

Church Parade - All

Sun Oct 7, 2007

Sun Nov 11, 2007

Sun Dec 9, 2007

Group Parade – Cubs, Scouts & Parents

19:30 – 20:30

Nov 27, 2007

Scout National Shooting competition, Bisley - Scouts

Oct 19-21, 2007

District Table Tennis Championships

Dec 2, 2007

Gift Service - All

Dec 9, 2007

District Carol Service - All

Dec 9, 2007

Ten pin Bowling

Dec 9, 2007

2008

Winter Camp - Scouts

Jan 11-13, 2008

Family Camp - All

Aug/Sept

Please ask your Leader for more details.



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CAN YOU HELP?

Do you sometimes wish you could behave like a big kid?

If the answer is yes, you may be able to come along and help with the various activities the Beaver's, Cubs and Scouts are doing. Just let your leader know or email info@20thlewishamsouth.co.uk

