

# Contacts & Resources

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<b>GLNE County</b>	www.glne-scouts.org.uk	<b>Scouting Resources</b> www.scoutingresources.org.uk



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News and information for everyone involved in Scouting in Barking & Dagenham

# WOODSMOKE



**“A Scout is never taken by surprise, they know exactly what to do when anything unexpected happens ”**

**Robert Baden-Powell**

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[www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/](http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/)

Deadline for May Issue: 20<sup>th</sup> April

# Jill's Jottings

News and views from the DC

Hello, what a great sight, the sun has been shining, daffodils everywhere and a feeling that Spring has sprung. I may regret that in a few days but it makes us all feel more positive when the sun is shining.

As usual we have been busy with activities around the District. It was a change watching Cyclocross in the mud not the hard frosty ground, a muddy time was had by all and thank you to Steve and Pauline for fitting it in after we had to cancel due to the snow.

The next event was Handcraft, lots of hard work had gone in to the exhibits by both leaders and children, a special thank to Ilford East SAS for judging this, not an easy task.

We have lots of events coming up so hopefully I will be seeing you soon.

Jill

## Danish Exchange

A massive congratulations must go to Malcolm and Sue on the brilliant evening they laid on for the anniversary of the link between Barking and Denmark. They contacted many people spanning many years and it was good to see people enjoying themselves catching up and exchanging stories. They also laid on an excellent buffet. Well done and I hope the reunion in Denmark is as successful.



**Jill May** is the District Commissioner

## Project U

Project U is paying on another fund day on the 7<sup>th</sup> May at Chigwell Row. There will be a variety of activities available and teams will be mixed with other organisations going. Lunch is provided. This year there will be a small charge. Please encourage your scouts or older cubs to attend. We didn't have a good turn out last year so let's hope for better. Scott is co coordinating our activities this year. Letters will be coming out shortly.

## Health Update

As I write this the news is not good. Nikki had two fits within the last twelve hours. It seems the hospital is moving in with them until a decision can be made whether she moves to the hospice. Please continue to remember them in your prayers.

## St Georges/Renewal of Promise.

I am sorry for the lateness of the details but I have had trouble finding a venue. The details will be with you as soon as I have them.

# District Diary

Upcoming Events

April		
14	ADCs Meeting	Salisbury Avenue
16	Beaver Easter Egg Hunt	Hargreaves
16	Maurice Pass Pioneering	
May		
5	SLs Meeting	17 <sup>th</sup> B&D HQ
9	CLs Meeting	21 <sup>st</sup> B&D HQ
16	CRB Evening	21 <sup>st</sup> B&D HQ
17	Appointments	Salvation Army
19	District Executive	Salisbury Avenue
21	Football Competition	M&B Sports Ground
22	Cultural Awareness Training	
24	BLs Meeting	9 <sup>th</sup> B&D HQ
+lots more! Check out <a href="http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/calendar/">http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/calendar/</a>		
Please note, these details may be subject to change. The online calendar contains the latest details.		

# Training & Appointments

All trained up

## Training Dates

Held at the 17<sup>th</sup> B&D HQ, Wilmington Gardens, 7:15 for 7:30 prompt start. Refreshments provided. All the following dates are on a Wednesday:

**With immediate effect please note that you will have to BOOK YOUR PLACE on any future District run Modules.**

We cannot continue to hold modules where no-one turns up, if we know the potential numbers booked, we can decide whether it is viable to go ahead or postpone / cancel.

## First Reponse Course

10<sup>th</sup> July 2011  
17<sup>th</sup> B&D Headquarters  
Wilmington Gardens, Barking.

9:45 for 10 a.m. start, please wear scruff gear.  
Refreshments provided, please bring your own packed lunch.  
Finish about 3:30 to 4 p.m.

**Limited number of places  
First come first served**



**Chris Poole** is the Local Training Manager

## IS YOUR CRB IN DATE ?

CRBs are valid for 5 years - please check yours now as the process for renewal still takes a few weeks from the form filling out part.

Please remember to bring all documentation for renewal as it has to be seen again.

CRB Evening  
16<sup>th</sup> May  
St. Cedd's  
7:30 to 9:00



## Do you need a grant for VOLUNTEERING?

Are you aged between **11** and **25** ?

Are you taking part in a **volunteering project** ?

Did you know that the Jack Petchey Foundation offers grants of up to **£300** to support young people in volunteering in the **UK and abroad?**

Apply for an:

**individual grant for volunteering**



### Sayed Daud

Location: The Gambia  
Project: Agricultural project for a deprived primary school

*"Without the kind donation by the Jack Petchey Foundation this would not have been possible. We hope that the Jack Petchey Foundation remains a vital provider of opportunity for future"*

For full details, including applying online and for a selection of our young people's volunteering experiences log on to:

[www.jackpetcheyfoundation.org.uk](http://www.jackpetcheyfoundation.org.uk)

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# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

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After a very very busy few months organising photos, searching for long forgotten memorabilia, tracking down and contacting people etc. etc. and then buying the food, baking, icing and cooking and then finally decorating the hall, the 50<sup>th</sup> reunion finally took place!

Malcolm Beerling

We had over 90 people attend the reunion including some of the original 1961 Scouts and leaders and fortunately had people turn up from every decade right up until the present day. Some of the ex-Scouts had not seen each other since 1962, so there was a lot of catching up to do. Some of the photographs from the event are on the 21<sup>st</sup> Barking Bellahoj Facebook page. Four people who attended have already booked their flights to attend the reunion in Denmark in July! I was very pleased to receive a letter from three of the original Danish Scouters, congratulating us on the 50 years anniversary. I was also very surprised to receive a letter from Wayne Bulpitt, UK Chief Commissioner, offering his best wishes for the reunion and good luck for the next 50 years!

I would like to give special thanks to Cliff, Mary and Adam McLeod (who saved the day with his technical know-how), Barry and Marion Ledger, Margaret Jennings, Tina Walker and Paul Lloyd for all their help on the day. They all worked very hard to make the day a big success. Thank you once again.

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## Scouting in GLNE

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ments and a letter from the CC. Visit the Chief Scout's Award page for more information.

[www.glnescouts.org.uk/awards/](http://www.glnescouts.org.uk/awards/)

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### DC Search

We are currently recruiting for 5 District Commissioners. For full details see the DC Search section of the website.

[www.glnescouts.org.uk/dcsearch/](http://www.glnescouts.org.uk/dcsearch/)

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### CC Blog

The CC has relaunched his (now) regular blog. Be sure to check out the latest update.

[www.glnescouts.org.uk/ccblog/](http://www.glnescouts.org.uk/ccblog/)

County

### New form for Chief Scout

There are now two ways you can submit details of youth members who have completed their Chief Scout's Award to ensure they are added to the database and invited to the next Chief Scout's Award Presentation Evening at Gilwell Park. A new form has been added which allows you to submit the details electronically (and the post-cards are still being accepted).

There are also some new resources including "Top Tips", badge require-

## CUB CHIT CHAT

### Children and camps

Hi all you Cubby people, I hope you are all well.

The Scout Cyclo Cross was the first event after the last issue and I had a good time encouraging the Scouts to get up one of the hills at Crow. Well done to all the Scouts who took part and congrats to the winners.

Next was the Handcraft, lots of exhibits and some very good ones. For the first time ever I never managed my leaders effort and we run out of time at Pack to do our entry, again this is a first.

Due to a clash of meetings I had to change the Cub Leaders meeting for which I apologise.

County Swimming Gala is 26<sup>th</sup> March, a full report will be in the next issue.

### Akela's Antics

I had three of the Grandchildren recently and as much as I love having them, I glad when they go home and I can put my feet up and have a deserved cup of tea. Talking of T, he has finally moved into my house with all his stuff so we are busy sorting out where it is all to be stored.

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**Rosemary Oakwell** is the ADC (Cubs)



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### Camps

If you are unable to take your Cubs to camp and would like them to come with me I have two Cub camps booked so far this year, they are

Whitsun Camp 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at Thriftwood, Brentwood Essex. Cost £45 includes £2.50 pocket money.

Pack Holiday 13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> August 2011 at Cricket Camp, Bursledon, Southampton, Hants. Cost £120 includes £10 pocket money. The cost also includes travel and trips out.

Please contact me [adccubs@barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk](mailto:adccubs@barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk)

# BEAVER BITS

## Mixing up the Easter Eggs

Hi all my little Beavers

I am sorry about the mix up for the County Connect 4 Competition, this was due to a lack of communication of the change of venue. I turned up at Hargreaves myself and was told by an Explorer leader where it was now being held. I arrived at the new venue and fortunately Kiera (4<sup>th</sup> B&D) had also been told the new venue. She came 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Could the leaders from the 6<sup>th</sup> B&D thank Zak Anderson and George Davis and the leaders from the 8<sup>th</sup> B&D thank Charlie Martin for their efforts in trying to get to this event.

Handcraft was next, well done to everyone who entered and congratulations to the winners.

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**Ken Thompson** is the ADC (Beavers)

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Next up is the Beaver Easter Egg Hunt at Hargreaves on the 16<sup>th</sup> April, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., cost £3 per Beaver and £1 per leader/helper. If you are bringing Cubs or Scouts to help at this event they will be welcome but as this is a Beaver event only Beavers will be getting Easter Eggs.

As the Beavers are 25 years old this year, plans are being put into place by the District to hold a party on the 24<sup>th</sup> June. Invitations will be sent out shortly. County are also planning an event at Paradise Park on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July.

I look forward to seeing you all soon.

## THRIFTWOOD BADGE TEAM

All courses take place at Oak Lodge

Courses from 18<sup>th</sup> January 2011 to July 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011

### CUB SCOUT MAP READER ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> January 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am to 11.30am

### CUB SCOUT DIY ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> March 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> April 7.00pm to 8.30pm  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 7.00pm to 8.30pm

### SCOUT MODEL MAKER ACTIVITY BADGE

New 2011



Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> February 7.30pm to 9.00pm  
Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 7.30pm to 9.00pm

### SCOUT PIONEER ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> May 7.30pm to 9.00pm  
Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm to 9.00pm  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am to 2.00pm

### SCOUT SURVIVAL SKILLS ACTIVITY BADGE



Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March 7.30pm to 9.00pm  
Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am to 2.00pm

### SCOUT DIY ACTIVITY BADGE

New 2011



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>st</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm to 9.00pm  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm to 9.00pm

### LEADERS TRAINING COURSES

T.B.A

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> July 7.30pm to 9.30pm  
Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 9.30pm to 2.00pm

**Book Early**

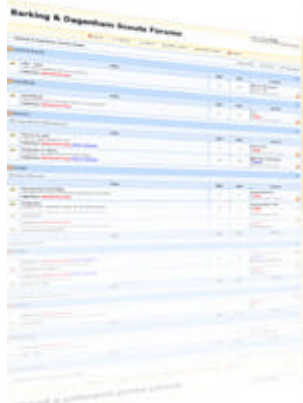
**All Courses are £2.00 per night**

**To book:**

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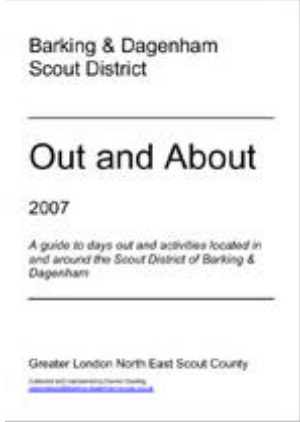
# Forum



The forum allows you to chat with leaders and Scouts within the District. Why not share ideas and take advantage of the wealth of information and resources that

are to be found on the forums.

# Out & About



Out and About is a guide to days out and activities located in and around the Scout District of Barking & Dagenham.

All this and much more at [www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/](http://www.barking-dagenham-scouts.org.uk/)

# Forms



The forms available on this page may change throughout the year as special events take place (for example, the Town Show will require Balloon Race forms to be distributed a couple of months before the actual event)

# Programmes



Programmes Online - from The Scout Association

Programmes - from Scouting Resources

# BEAVERING AWAY

## Raising flour and funds



Hello everyone – Spring is in the air and as I write this it has been a glorious couple of days for the weather. I managed to actually get some washing out in the garden rather than have it all hanging around the house, and, I have finally mown what was once a jungle, my lawn, so at last I have a garden to be proud of!

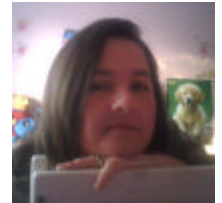


Down at the 9<sup>th</sup> we have been Beavering away with some great evenings from the Programmes in a Box CD. Do give it a go. There are some fantastic ideas in there.



The Beaver Scouts been helping to raise money for the Red Nose Fun Day appeal. We made some cakes at Beavers so that each child

Leigh Dowling is a DBSL



could take them home to sell to their family and friends and to date they have raised a brilliant total of £25. I am so very proud of them. Whilst making the cakes we spoke about Red Nose Day and about the charities it supports. The Beaver Scouts were extremely compassionate about why funds needed to be raised. They do blow me away sometimes with how caring they are at such a young age. Something we as leaders and helpers need to nurture.

We are so looking forward to this year's District Easter Egg Hunt. Apart from the mud and lots of it, I do love to scout around with the children watching all of the fun that they have. It's great to see their faces as they search for their eggs. (Well, golf balls at least!) Look forward to seeing you all there.

