



# North Leeds District News

March - April 2009

## From the DC Census 2009

Thanks for everyone's work on this. I am pleased to report that the figures I have seen so far have continued our trend of the last few years and most groups have grown. This is a reflection on the great Scouting you are all providing. In North Leeds we are also opening up Sections that have been closed for a number of years because of a lack of leaders and members. Our Appointments Committee is having to look at putting in extra sessions as we have so many leader AA forms in the pipeline at the moment.

## Jamboree 2011

It is coming round to Jamboree again and applications for Leaders and members need to be submitted now. For the first time Central Yorkshire is intending to send TWO Units to the 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree in Sweden. I can personally say that this really is an opportunity not to be missed for the Young Person or Leader who wonders what Scouting is like around the world. I can promise you that taking part will give you a wonderful experience to be shared with your friends when you come back and then to be treasured for life. You'll have noticed that I am keen to encourage joining in with others across the Sections and Groups throughout the District and the County. To go to a Jamboree is to take the next step in 'joining in'. If you can do it you'll see that fleur-de-lys badge everywhere, on Scout shirts from pretty much every country in the world.

I appreciate that most Scouts are quite happy with their local Scouting and will gain awareness of the international dimension in other ways but I believe that, if the Jamboree grabs the imagination of any of our Scouts to the point where they want to give it a go, we should do

everything we can to support them. Scouts and Explorer Scouts who will be aged over 14 and under 18 years on July 27<sup>th</sup> 2011 are eligible to apply for selection.

Please make sure that all eligible Young People are aware of the event and don't hesitate to contact me if you want some support in promoting Jamboree to your Scouts. Application forms can be downloaded from the Web site [www.cycscouts.org.uk](http://www.cycscouts.org.uk) and must be completed and returned by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009.

## **Kenya 2010**

Another event that is on the calendar is the Central Yorkshire Kenya Expedition in 2010. This event would give you a more intimate experience of Scouting around the World combined with a Community Project or a Trek either on Camels or on Mount Kenya. If you would like more details there is to be an information evening on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 7.30pm at the Police College, Wakefield to which all are welcome. Application forms will be available on the evening or from [cc@cycscouts.org.uk](mailto:cc@cycscouts.org.uk)

## **Congratulations...**

.... To the following leaders at the 43<sup>rd</sup> Burley Phoenix

Amanda Dyer	Beaver Wood Badge
Andy Dyson	Cub Wood Badge
Jenny Lansdowne	Cub Wood Badge
Kate Sadler	Scout Wood Badge

When you take out a Warrant you also commit to completing a training commitment. If you have started your training and have still to complete it please review what you need to do and see if you can complete that commitment in 2009. All the training that we do helps us to ensure that all our activities and procedures are done according to the latest information available. Thank you for all that you do for Scouting in North Leeds and as we begin our preparations for the warmer weather keep safe

Yours in Scouting

**Carol**

## Change of Address, Correction

The address printed for Chris Angell-Ashton (ASL, Falkoner), in the last edition of the newsletter was incorrect and should have read, Magnolia Cottage, 15 Greenside, Mapplewell, Barnsley, S75 6AY

## Sponsored walk Roundhay park 18th - 19th April

As some of you will know I am trying to raise funds for a donation to Scope.

My partner and myself have been accepted to take part in a Trek along the Great Wall of China in September, the cost of the trip has already been paid by Liz and myself but to solidify our positions on the Trek you must make a fairly large donation, the donation we need to make is £5400 for the both of us.

As you can imagine this is a fairly large amount of money to raise but I am sure we can do it.

On one of our Scout evenings I asked the Scouts if they could think of ways to help, many ideas came up but by far the best was a sponsored walk, they suggested a sponsored walk around the lake at Roundhay park. They then expanded the idea of trying to involve as many of the Scout Groups in the District as possible and then possibly involving the Guiding Groups.

I have already made out a Sponsor form and information leaflet which are enclosed with this newsletter. If we could get close to 350 - 400 walkers - attendees for this event, it would be the largest Sponsored walk that would have been held on behalf of Scope. I am sure that is a great incentive for all leaders to try and promote this event.

Thanks in advance.

Mick Mason.

26<sup>th</sup> North Leeds Parish Scouts.

## Diary Dates

## March 2009

Date		Meeting	Location	Time
Sun	1st	Sponsored Swim	Leeds Grammar School	13:00
Mon	2nd	Explorer Leaders Meeting	????	20:00
Sun	8th	Wike Management Meeting	Wike	13:30
Mon	9th	District Team	7 Summerhill Gardens	20:00
Tue	17th	Appointments Committee	7 Summerhill Gardens	19:30
Wed	11th	Beaver Leaders Meeting	????	20:00
Sat Sun	14th 15th	Explorer Leaders Young Leaders Training Weekend run by Headquarters	Leeds - venue TBC	????
Sun	29th	Scout Trading Post Event	????	????
Mon	30th	Scout Leaders Meeting	????	20:00

## April 2009

Date		Meeting	Location	Time
Wed	1st	Cub Leaders Meeting	26th North Leeds	20:30
Wed	1st	Six Dales Committee	St Chads Parish Centre	19:45
Tue	7th	ACC/DC Meting	John Briggs	????
Tue	21st	GSL Meeting	Wike	20:00
Sat Sun	25th 26th	Scout Expedition Challenge / Incident Hike	????	
Tue	28th	District Team	7 Summerhill Gardens	20:00

## May 2009

Date		Meeting	Location	Time
Tue	5th	Appointments Committee	7 Summerhill Gardens	19:30
Sun	10th	Wike Management Meeting	Wike	13:30
Mon	11th	Explorer Leaders Meeting	????	????
Wed	13th	Beaver Leaders Meeting	????	????
Sun	17th	Cub Football Knockout	Gledhow School	????
Sat Sun	16th 17th	Explorer County Event	Aldwark	
Sat Sun	16th 17th	Scout County Event	Bramhope	
Mon	18th	District Executive Committee	????	????

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