



# North Leeds District Newsletter Nov - Dec 2011

## From the DC's,

Please accept our apologies for the absence of our notes on this occasion. We've been rather busy doing our day jobs, visiting family, and dealing with the general DC workload, which seems to have included more issues than usual for the past couple of months. We hope to resume normal service for the January - February newsletter.

In the meantime, we repeat an appeal made some time ago that, if there is any matter or issue which would you would like to see addressed by us in our notes, please do let us know. We've not had any such requests at all, yet!

Best wishes, Ted and Carol

## Fundraising

Scout Community Week combines fundraising through a community project or event to raise money for local and national Scouting. As part of your project you will need to plan in activities or channels where you can ask friends, family and the general public to support your project and donate money. Many people you talk to will not realise that Scouting is a charity and therefore needs funding to help it grow and develop. Your project will help promote that Scouting is indeed a charity and needs public support.

It helps to set a fundraising goal. A recent Facebook survey highlighted that, excluding bag packing, a quarter of Groups raise between £100 - £250 and 30% of Groups raise over £250 fundraising over the course of just one evening.

You should set a goal which relates to your chosen project. So if you are planning to do a week-long activity with your entire Group then you should look to raise £500. However, if you are a small Section and will be doing an activity over one evening, then set your goal at £150.

You will find that if you promote your project and the need for the funds in your local newspaper, on your website and in your newsletters you will exceed your fundraising goal.

Your project will dictate the different ways you can fundraise which could include:

- Setting up an online giving webpage, like Virgin Money Giving or BT's My Donate - don't forget to advertise the link!
- Giving out sponsorship forms to your members in advance
- Asking for donations in your publicity materials, your website or your Facebook page
- Speak to your local B&Q branch
- Talking to local business about how they can support you with gifts in kind

Remember that all your communications and publicity materials should make it clear that you are raising money for your Group and The Scout Association.

During Scout Community Week, you may also want to raise funds from people who 'pass-by' your activity. You can only collect money in public places if you have a licence from your Local Authority.

**Please read our advice on contacting your Local Authority if you want to do a public collection. You must secure permission early as it is an offence to collect money without a permit and every authority will have different rules and guidelines. For more advice please read Factsheet FS190020 or contact the Fundraising Team.**

If you are collecting money on private land, such as supermarkets, car parks or railway stations you will need the permission of the landowner.

If in doubt contact the fundraising team for advice.

## Six Dales Walk

The Six Dales took place on the 25th September with over 100 walkers and passed without major incident. A good day was had by all and the weather held out for us. The results are below.

### Junior Section

Open	Team 52	19th north Leeds	Team 1	23 Miles	8hrs 25min
Under 15	Team 56	16th Airedale Scouts		12 Miles	5hrs 31min
No Leaders					
Under 15	Team 53	6th Ripon Scouts		23 Miles	9hrs 33min
With Leaders					

### Senior Section

Open	Team 1	Shire Oak Old Boys		35 Miles	10hrs 15min
Novice	Team 10	Intrepid ESU Solihull		23 Miles	11hrs 34min
Male 13-19	Team 7	Burnley Dist Columbus		23 Miles	8hrs 43min
Mixed 13-19	Team 12	Blacksheep ESU B/Face		32 Miles	11hrs 56min
North Leeds	Team 9	GSAL ESU Team A		35 Miles	12hrs 28min

I would like to thank everybody who took part on the day either staffing or walking and congratulate all the winners.

We are always looking for ways to improve the event and encourage further entrants from near and far and with this in mind we would like to invite people to an open meeting to be held at St Chads Parish Centre in Headingley. If you have any suggestions on ways to improve The Six Dales and ensure it remains one of our premier events for years to come please come along and make them known.

**Six Dales Open Meeting**  
**St Chads Parish Centre**  
**Wed 11th January 8:00pm**

## Diary Dates

## November 2011

Day	Date	Meeting	Venue	Time
Mon	7th	ESL's Meeting	17 Ludolf Drive	20:00
Wed	9th	Beaver Leaders Meeting	877 Scott Hall Road	20:00
Tue	15th	Cub leaders Meeting	St Edmunds	20:30
Sun	13th	Beaver Swimmer Badge	Forum leisure Centre Quarry House	16:00 17:00
Mon	14th	Appoinments Committee	7 Summerhill Gardens	19:30
Thu	17th	DoE Camp/Cooking Training	Goonies	20:00
Sun	20th	Scout Masterchef	Wike	13:30
WE	18th /20th	CYCS Skills on the Hills	Keswick - Contact J Varley <a href="mailto:jennifer@m-jay.co.uk">jennifer@m-jay.co.uk</a>	
WE	19th /20th	Module 10 GSL	Bramhope	
Mon	21st	District Team	7 Summerhill Gardens	20:00
Tue	22nd	ES Young Leaders Modules	St Edmunds	
Tue	29th	ES Young Leaders Modules	Contact <a href="mailto:Lynn.cuthbert@hotmail.co.uk">Lynn.cuthbert@hotmail.co.uk</a>	

## December 2011

Day	Date	Meeting	Venue	Time
Mon	5th	Appoinments Committee	7 Summerhill Gardens	19:30
Tue	6th	Beaver Christmas Craft	5th Kirkstall St Stephens	18:00
Mon	12th	Cub Carol Service	St Matthews	19:00