

## NEW FACTSHEETS

Leaders involved with the D of E scheme should note that there is now a new set of six factsheets available to download from Scoutbase or order from the Information centre. There is also a revised edition of the Home Contact factsheet, the main change being a warning to check that the Home Contact's land line does not have any restrictions on accepting calls (use of mobiles is not recommended). It can be downloaded from <http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/library/hqdocs/facts/pdfs/fs120078.pdf>



## 21ST WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE - THE DAY VISITOR'S EXPERIENCE

The Day Visitors Experience is your chance to sample the highlight of the worldwide Scouting calendar by experiencing a day where world Scouting, cultures, issues, faiths, cuisine and performance combine to create the biggest ever World Scout Jamboree.

The Jamboree is not only for the Participants - family, friends, supporters and other Scout and Guide Movement members are encouraged to come and take part too.

You can choose one of 8 Experience days to attend and tickets can be bought simply and securely online. Tickets are £20 for Adults (14yrs+) and £15 for Children (3-13yrs), with under 3s free.

For more information and to book tickets visit [www.thejamboree.org/davisors](http://www.thejamboree.org/davisors) or call 0845 300 1818

## RECYCLING CHRISTMAS CARDS

Cub Packs throughout North Leeds District are collecting waste Christmas cards to recycle them at Tesco on Roundhay Road at the end of January 2007 as a "Good Turn" benefiting the Woodland Trust. Cards are pulped & turned into various paper products, saving trees, resources & raising money for this charity.

Please do contact me if I can be of help collecting etc Many thanks, Doug Pollock

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# NORTH LEEDS DISTRICT NEWS

## DIARY DATES

### DECEMBER 2006

4 <sup>th</sup>	District Executive Committee	St Andrews	20:00
11 <sup>th</sup>	Cub Carol Service	St Matthews Church	19:00????



### JANUARY 2007

10 <sup>th</sup>	Beaver Leaders Meal Out	Lawnswood Arms	19:30
10 <sup>th</sup>	SL's Meeting	Meanwood Parish	20:00
18 <sup>th</sup>	Appointments Committee	20 Moor Drive	19:30
20 <sup>th</sup>	Beaver Pantomime Visit	Carriageworks	????
22 <sup>nd</sup>	GSL's Meeting	St Andrews	20:00
24 <sup>th</sup>	Cub Leaders Meeting	16 <sup>th</sup> Alwoodley	20:30
25 <sup>th</sup>	District Team	34 Sunningdale Avenue	20:00
28 <sup>th</sup>	Cub Trading Post	St Edmunds	13:45
29 <sup>th</sup>	Explorer Leaders Meeting	Bramhope	20:00

## **FROM THE DG**

Last month I was able to attend a presentation by two members of the Blacksheep Explorer Unit on their participation in a Scout expedition to South Africa during the summer. It was clear that the two young people had had a wonderful experience as well as undertaking a service project while they were there.

In 2008 there will be a similar opportunity for young people to visit Kenya as part of a Central Yorkshire expedition. The launch for this expedition will take place on Tuesday 27th February at the Police Training Centre in Wakefield. Places on the expedition will only be reserved for applicants from Central Yorkshire for ten weeks from that date so please ensure that all members who will be in the Explorer or Network age ranges in 2008 are aware of this exciting opportunity.

At this time of year most of us are busy preparing for Christmas and I know that this is true for almost all Groups in the District. Once again we shall be holding our traditional Cub Good Turn Carol Service. This year it takes place at St. Matthew's Church and I hope that there will be a good turn out and that a great selection of food gifts will be brought for Leeds Lions to distribute to elderly people.

Finally I would like to wish every member of our District a very Happy Christmas and all the best for 2007, our centenary year.

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## **CONGRATULATIONS TO**

Paul Adcock, Scout Fellowship, on the award of the Long Service Decoration for 15 years service, Helen Milestone, 19th St. Chad's, on the award of the 10 year certificate of service, and to Sandra Andrews, Grammar School, on the award of the 5 year certificate of service.



## **ADULT TRAINING**

The two Nights Away courses next year are 27 - 29 April and 22 - 24th. June. It is not essential that Leaders attend these. They are there for those who require training for that module.

We need Training Advisers. Any Leader who has completed their Woodbadge and would be prepared to complete a further days training in order to support other Leaders should contact me.

I am intending to hold a Training Advisers meeting in February. Details in the New Year. An offer of a venue would be welcome.

Leaders lacking a Training Adviser may validate modules through me.

## **APPOINTMENT CARD**

During 2007 the existing warrant cards and certificates of Appointment will be replaced by a new credit card sized Appointments Card. This card will be issued to all adult members including Sectional Assistants and Scout Fellowship members. For existing members the new card will be produced from information held on the National Membership database and hence it is important that this information is correct. As a first step individuals are asked to log on to Membership Services and check that their appointment details are recorded correctly. If there are errors in the current appointment details then please let either Ann Miller or Colin Harman know.

GSLs can view details of all adults in their Group and so should be able to help out in case of difficulty in doing this. Early in the New Year recipients of Scouting magazine will be informed of the contents of their card to check that they are still up to date and correct before the actual card is produced.

Those finding the existing Membership Services system difficult to use will be pleased to learn that a new more user friendly interface is being introduced in the near future.

