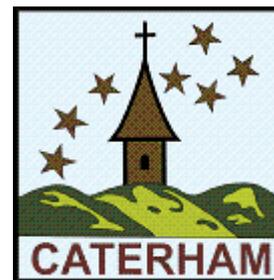




CATERHAM DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL NEWSLETTER



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DISTRICT YOUTH COMMISSIONERS



It is with great pleasure that I can announce that after a long process we have been able to appoint two District Youth Commissioners to join the district team, this is a new and exciting role that is aimed at increasing youth involvement in decision making within Scouting at all age levels and I will be working with them to help develop their role within the district, I hope that all leaders and members will work closely with them.

Our youth commissioners are Maisie Stock and James McAlpine. Both have been in scouting in Caterham district since they joined as Beavers at the age of 6 and have progressed through all sections and on to adult roles, Maisie represented the district at the last World Scout Jamboree in Japan. They both have a huge amount of enthusiasm for scouting and I believe they will bring something positive to our district.

Tim Evans
District Commissioner

TIM'S BITS



May saw the start of the AGM season with 1st Whyteleafe holding the first of many with an impressive turnout that really sets the bar high for those to follow, the district AGM, less well attended, went ahead successfully where I had the pleasure of investing our new District Youth Commissioners, Maisie and James.

Once again we took advantage of the impressive county mobile display unit in our on-going effort to recruit more adult volunteers, along with others I manned this at the Caterham street party and Caterham carnival while 1st Warlingham used the unit for the Warlingham fair. Of course we encountered many many enquiries for young people to join us and where possible we have found places for these, our objective was to recruit adults and I am pleased to say we did have a couple of enquiries and one has already begun the appointments process.

Sadly John Tobin has decided to stand down as District Nights Away advisor and I would like to thank him for his efforts over the past few years in that role, I have a couple of people interested in taking on this position so hopefully will be able to announce this soon.

Tim Evans
District Commissioner

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GROUP REPORTS



1st Whyteleafe

On Thursday 8th June Skip arrived and lit a fire for the cubs to do some cooking. While the fire was getting hot enough and ready for us to start cooking, we had a game of hockey in the scout hut which is always fun.

When the fire was ready we toasted marshmallows, cooked sausages and baked bananas which had fudge buried inside them. All the food was really yummy.

We were taught safety rules when cooking on an open fire including having a bucket of water close by in case there is an accident plus not getting too close to the fire so we don't get burnt.

Charlie Williams
aged 9 years

1st Warlingham

Scouts fire damaged kitchen replaced by Howdens Joinery

Howdens Joinery Co has supplied and fitted a new kitchen for 1st Warlingham Scouts free of charge, following fire damage.

At a Beaver Scout meeting in the Scout Hall, Mint Walk Warlingham, a few weeks ago an emergency evacuation took place because of an electrical fire in the kitchen. The old cooker was damaged beyond repair and the rest of the kitchen suffered smoke damage and some scorching.

One of the Beaver parents, Keri Hanley, is a manager at the Orpington Branch of Howdens Joinery and she arranged for some of the Howdens charity funding to be used to supply and fit a new kitchen for the Scout Group.

The new kitchen was fitted by David Howarth and Michael Hanley who both work at Howdens Orpington Branch and Graham Simkins an independent kitchen fitter from Ewell Village



1st Whyteleafe Cub Scouts

Visit to Godstone Fire Station 15/06/17

We were at the fire station last week as part of the Fire Safety badge, and it was really good! I especially enjoyed the part when we all got to use the hose. At the fire station we:

- Heard the sirens
- Saw inside a fire engine
- Saw a fire engines equipment
- Got to use the hose
- Saw how a hydrant works
- Got told how and what a fire fighter is and what they do.

I really liked going there because it taught me a lot more than I previously knew. It would have been fantastic had we seen the fireman's pole and been allowed to have a go on it. However, as it was an active fire station, it made sense that we didn't.

By Owen Williams age 9



Visit to East Surrey Museum

On the 27th May we had a trip to East Surrey Museum in Caterham. It is a museum all about local history.

What did you see at the museum?

I saw some minerals, some typewriters, some old toys a Mammoth tooth from a long time ago. My favourite was the typewriters in the Junior Room because it was fun to have a go at using them. The difference between typewriters and my computer is that typewriters are not electronic.

I really liked the gift shop too and I bought some gemstones to help me remember my visit. One learning point that I can remember is that Stone Age people use axes.

I enjoyed my trip to the museum

Paige Berry age 8



DISTRICT DIARY 2017



New or changed items since the last newsletter are in bold. If there are any events you would like more details of please speak to Tim Evans *or for training – Pam Marshall-Jones, or for Young Leader Training – Penny Stock*

July

- 1st 1st Warlingham AGM
- 3rd 1st Woldingham AGM
- 3rd **Module 3 Tools for the Role (7.30-10.00pm)**
- 7th-9th Scoutabout
- 10th 2nd Hamsey Green AGM
- 17th 3rd Caterham AGM

September

- 15th 1st Caterham AGM
- 19th 5th Caterham AGM
- 20th **Module 1 Essential Information (7.30-10.00pm)**
- 23rd **Module 10 First Aid (First Response) (9.00am-3.30pm)**
- 25th **Module 15 Promoting Positive Behaviour**

October

- 4th **Module 3 Tools for the Role (7.30-10.00pm)**
- 9th **Ongoing Safety Training (7.30-10.00pm)**
- 31st **Module 11 Administration (7.30-10.00pm)**

November

- 6th **Module 18 Practical Skills (7.30-10.00pm)**
- 18th **Module 10 First Aid (First Response) (9.00am-3.30pm)**
Module 13 Growing the Section (9.15-2.00pm)
- 27th **Module 19 International (7.30-10.00pm)**

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Please submit your articles for the June edition to John Andrews at Editor@Caterham-Scouts.org.uk by Wednesday 12th July. Photographs are welcomed, although we cannot guarantee to include everything.

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