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The Newsletter of Lincoln and District Scouts

Congratulations
To Nick Cornwell-Smith

Nick is our new County Commissioner, he takes up his new post on the 1st September. I know you will all join with me in wishing him all the best in his new role.

If you don't already know, Nick's last role in Scouting was the Group Scout Leader, and the Scout Leader at Scothern (25th Lincoln).

Good luck Nick and well done!!



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Cub Camp May 2011



A THANK YOU TO CAROL AND ALL THE LEADERS.

When Carol announced that she was going to organise another district Cub camp, she asked me if I would do the central catering, which I had done previously at the last camp at Sudbrooke. I readily agreed and I also offered to help her with anything else. A meeting was called at Carol's attended by Sandra Parker, Neil and Francis Mellor and me.

There was so much to organise, dates, times, groups, a camp badge, the theme, sub camp leaders, the list was endless.

An announcement was placed in LADS with a closing date for getting the groups and numbers in, unfortunately not everyone stuck to these dates and although it worked out in the end, it does give Carol a headache trying to juggle things about to accommodate everyone, so if you are reading this and are one of the "late entries" please bare this in mind for the next camp.

Neil and Francis volunteered to run the athletes badge during the weekend which I know took lots of preparation and hard work before the camp so THANK YOU. I am sure all the cubs that got presented with their badges appreciated all the hard work you did.

Carol had a mammoth job recruiting leaders to help with all the activities that were laid on for the weekend, and I want to say THANK YOU to them all especially Max, Malcolm and Chris the sub camp leaders. I know they all wanted to be the winners over the weekend, but there can only be one winner, and I need to remind them that it is the taking part that counts!!!! The sedan chair race which was brilliant will not be forgotten in a hurry!!!!

The Mat team and the explorers did a sterling job over the weekend and everyone was happy and obliging. All the cubs loved the experience you gave them.

The craft team, the water team, the archery, the caving etc., you all helped to make the weekend a brilliant success.

Thank you to all the "Camp Fire Team" I still cannot get out of my head "My auntie went to Paris" wonderfully done by the Waddington team.

The Scouts Own organised and arranged by Malcolm, a wonderful start to the Sunday.

One more thing that I will remember is how COLD it was at night, on the second night, I woke to find Carol and Robert asleep on the settees and Lesley and Siobhan on blow up beds on the floor!!

Me and my husband Nigel fed the 30+ helpers over the weekend and I hope everyone went home with a full stomach and no one got food poisoning!

One thing that I did notice over the weekend that needs mentioning, is how polite and happy all the cubs were, I don't think I have heard so many please and thank you's at a camp before, a credit to all your leaders.

Last but not least, a MASSIVE THANK YOU to Carol, as without her organising, patience and skill, the camp would not have taken place.

Just one question, when is the next one?????????



Maverick Explorers

We meet on a Friday night

Our base is Altham Terrace

We meet in Lincoln city centre

And also Saxilby and Washingborough

Our ethos is more network than Scouts.

Activities are usually followed by chilling in a Café

Activities are usually leader organised.

First night back 10 pin 9th Sept

Contact Carl on 07730886556



Scouts be prepared ***

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26th August 2011

Yes, I'm afraid it's that time of year again! The A.G.M is approaching.. It will be held at The Royal Naval Club, Coulson Road, Lincoln. On Wednesday 14th September 2011 7.30p.m. for 8.00p.m. start. **You will see that it is on a Wednesday this year.**

This is the evening where we meet to hear about the many activities, events, highs and lows (not too many lows) which have taken place through out the year.

Vote for officers and committee members for the coming year. .

The whole evening is always interesting as you can put names to faces, perhaps raise an issue with the relevant person, who may not be able to solve it on the spot, but will most certainly sort it out. This is an opportunity to chat will fellow Scouters, catch up with news and views and have a drink from the bar.

Remember we are like a Big Family, we have to work together to get the results we strive for, with the support from others when things get a bit 'sticky'.

So, come along for the evening, bring some of your group, (always better to come with moral support), Enjoy the evening and help keep Scouting in the District the success you have all helped it to achieve.

See you there then ! **What;** Lincoln District Scout A.G.M.

Where; Royal Naval Club, Coulson Rd, Lincoln.

When; **Wednesday 14th September 2011**

Yours in Scouting,

Kate Davis (Dist. Sec)

Caving Club News

Its been a busy couple of months for the cavers starting off with a beginners trip in Bagshaw Cavern, quickly followed with a scout cavers badge course at Altham Terrace, a club trip to Otter Hole near Chepstow, the mining conference in Shrewsbury, a beginners trip in P8, a talk to Scunthorpe scouts at Altham Terrace, attending the family open day in Hartsolme Park and now this weekend we are off to the Yorkshire Dales on a training weekend.

The really good news though is managing to attain a £2500 grant from the Lincolnshire Co-op big birthday awards. With this we shall be able to replace all of our caving lamps with new ones that are lighter, much brighter and easier to look after. They have now been ordered and we expect to get them by the end of September.



Every one's worst nightmare



Beautiful formation



Crystal Pool



Back outside the entrance

The trip in Otter Hole was the first visit to this classic cave in more than 10 years, nearly 12 hours spent underground and the muddiest that any of us had been since the previous visit. They say it is the best decorated cave in the country but not an easy place to get to with arduous crawls, climbing and scrambling. However once inside there was almost a mile of easy passage with many fantastic formations to view and photograph.

Caving Club Diary Dates:

The next Beginner's Caving trip to Derbyshire is on 11th September and the following one on 22nd October (with new lights). Remember, the caving club would very much like to visit your scout troop or explorer unit to give an introductory talk, or you could come to us at Altham Terrace and also experience 'the cave'.

Please ring Roz to book all events giving plenty of notice. Telephone 01522 888121. For more details please visit our web site at; <http://sites.google.com/site/lincolncavingclub/> Lots of photo's to look at here now!

Caving fees are now £7.00 /person for Lincoln district and £10 out of district.

As promised details on the Whisby Challenge.

Other information is attached regarding our Centenary Year

Whisby Challenge 2011

This year's challenge will be taking place on Saturday 17th September. It will feature challenges for Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts during the day while completing a hike. Beavers and Cubs will be completing a nature trail and Scouts will be planning their own Patrol Hike to arrive at the Check point on the North Hykeham Memorial Fields. Cubs will meet at the Memorial Sport Field on Newark Road, North Hykeham at 10.45 and the Beavers at 11.30. You will hike around the lakes at Whisby while undertaking a nature quiz, which will be based around your Nature Badges. Your programme in September could be around this. The cost for entry will be £2.00, which will qualify you for a Whisby Challenge Badge, and drinks and cakes on your return to the starting point. You must bring a packed lunch and proper clothing for the event. Parents are asked to collect you between 14.45 and 15.00. All confirmation of entries must be emailed to hugesargent@ntlworld.com, by Thursday 15th September to enable us to cater, but would you let me know in the mean time your intention to take part, as this will help with the route planning. Extra badges can be ordered at the Base Camp on the Saturday.

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ADVENTURE.

Centenary 2012

Next year is the 100th Birthday of Scouting in Lincoln, and many things are being planned for the Year. The District Executive have agreed to fund a badge which will be issued to each uniformed member of the District in January, plus spare ones will be held by the Badge Secretary for those that join during the year. It will be worn with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Badge, which Groups can now order from Scout Shops Ltd. The District Badge Competition will be judge by the DC at the end of September, so please get your entries in by that date. See details at the end of this article. There will also be a scarf for the year which will be worn the same as the Scout Centenary Scarf, by those that purchase them. We are trying to keep cost down, and at the moment the child scarf will cost about £2.85, and £3.70 for the adult version that has to have VAT on its cost. The scarf is red, (Lincoln green supposedly was red), with a gold and red interlocked boarder, plus a gold Lincoln Imp embroidered on it. The imp was worn by the first Scout Group in Lincoln. The GSLs will see an example at their next meeting, but in the mean time you as a Group need to decide how you will purchase them. They are not mandatory, but to make life easy for me to purchase them, I will place the order at the beginning of December for a delivery early January. I ask each Group to col- late the numbers required, and on delivery, to make cheques payable to the District. We will again discuss this at the GSLs meeting. Any later order will cost more! There will be a DCs challenge which is being organised by Malcolm Moore. This will involve every member of your Scout Group taking part, including your Executive. Other events being planned are, a District Camp in early May, a charity walk around the Millennium Lake at North Hykeham on the first Sunday of July between 10.00 to 12.00 to raise funds for the Ambicopter, followed by a picnic. A Waterside Chal- lenge on Saturday 14th July which will incorporate water and scouting activities, ending in a big campfire get together, plus an adult "Posh Bash" in November to end the year. Many ideas were put forward and we have tried to incorporate them together to cut down the commitment of time involving everyone. Watch this space and please make sure your Group has a representative at the GSL meetings during the coming months to keep you up to date.

Hugh Sargent. ADC GD

Design a badge for 100 years of scouting In Lincoln district

In 1912 Scouting started in Lincoln and to celebrate this we will be wearing a District Badge. The DC has offered a mega prize to anyone in the movement that can design a badge for this momentous occasion. The closing date is now the 30th September and will be Judged in October and worn by all Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, and Leaders from Lincoln District for the whole of 2012. Designs can be up to a maximum of 7 colours and the badge will be round to marry in with the Queens Diamond Jubilee Badge. Try to make it an interesting but simple design so it fits onto a badge size of between 2 or 3 inches, whereas a complicated design may get lost when reduced in scale. It must be submitted by the closing date to: The "DC's Badge Challenge" 54, Moor Lane, North Hykeham, Lincoln. LN6 9AB or by email to [hugesar- gent@ntlworld.com](mailto:hugesargent@ntlworld.com)

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