

## Group Newsletter No 111 November 2009

### Dates for the diary.....

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| 7 November     | Fireworks evening      |
| 14 November    | Beavers : RAF Museum   |
| 15 November    | Scout Incident Hike    |
| 15 November    | Cubs handicraft Comp.  |
| 20/22 November | Scout Winter Sleepover |
| 5 December     | Christmas fayre        |
| 7 December     | Christmas Celebration  |
| 14/15 December | End of term            |
| 19 December    | Bag packing            |
| 4/5 January    | Sections return        |
| 21 January     | Group Executive        |
| 29/31 January  | Scouts winter camp     |
| 31 January     | Scouts Handball        |
| 7 February     | Scouts Cooking Comp.   |
| 13/14 March    | Scouts Night Hike      |
| 28 March       | Cub Adventure day      |
| 25 April       | St George's Day        |
| parade         |                        |

*(Some dates still subject to confirmation)*

### The 100+ Club .....

The October draw took place at the Race Night on 3 October. The winners were:

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| No. 9 | Alison Markwell | wins £25 |
| No 81 | Cliff Wilson    | wins £15 |
| No 67 | Chris Boa       | wins £10 |

Tickets for the remaining draws in 2009 are still on sale. Tickets for 2010 will be on sale soon.

### Congratulations

Following the announcement at this year's AGM by the District Commissioner I am delighted to report that Keith Elston (Kaa) has now been presented with his Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service. Keith received his award at a special presentation at the Pack meeting just before the half term break.

Congratulations to Russell, Graham, Alison, Elizabeth and Daniel on their excellent performances in Gang Show 2009. Well done to several other group members for their "backstage" support.

The Troop came joint first in the district Scout Quiz held at our Headquarters during October. Well done the 22<sup>nd</sup>!!

Well done to all the cubs and scouts who took part in the recent swimming gala where both teams finished second in their own competitions with the combined teams coming second in the Group trophy.

### And welcome.....

The group is pleased to welcome John Brevitt and Richard Drummond, both of whom have applied to become Assistant Leaders with the troop.

### Urgent help is still needed.....

The Scout Troop has grown massively in the past couple of years and we have now had to start a waiting list for young people who wish to join. But whilst growth is welcome this does put enormous burdens on the leadership team. While we now have some additional assistance we are still looking for a number of additional assistant leaders who can make a commitment to help out on a regular basis

So if you are interested, then please speak to Tim Kerridge, Scout Leader, as soon as possible and we can discuss how to organise ourselves in order to do our very best for the young people in our troop.

### Coming Soon.....

Don't forget the forthcoming Fireworks Night, our bag packing fundraiser and our Christmas fayre.

Yours sincerely

Alan Maloney  
Group Scout

Leader