

Group Newsletter No 115 March 2010

Dates for the diary.....

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| 13/14 March | Scouts Night Hike |
| 19/21 March | Cub Indoor camp |
| 28 March | Cub Adventure day |
| 21 April | 22 nd leaders meeting |
| 25 April | St George's Day parade |
| 28 April | Group Executive |
| 8/9 May | Scout canal experience |
| 12 May | District AGM |
| 16 May | Scouts Zorbing |
| 21/23 May | Scouts Indoor amp |
| 25/27 June | Cub Outdoor camp |
| 26/27 June | Beaver sleepover |
| 3 July | Group AGM/Friends |
| 11 July | Scouts rafting |
| 24/31 July | Pack Holiday |
| 21/28 August | Troop Summer Camp |
| 23 September | Group executive |
| 25 September | Beaver trip |
| 25/26 September | Scouts survival skills |
| 6 October | Scouts Quiz |
| 6 November | Fireworks Night |
| 7 November | Scouts Incident Hike |
| 26/28 November | Scouts Indoor weekend |
| 4 December | Christmas Fair |
| 18/19 December | Pack "Kip on a ship" (Some dates still subject to confirmation) |

The 100+ Club

The February draw took place following the Executive Committee meeting on February 10th. The winners were:

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| No. 68 | John Constantine | wins £25 |
| No 17 | C Ramshaw | wins £15 |
| No 103 | B Jessett | wins £10 |

Tickets for 2010 are now on sale. The 100 Club is open to anyone over the age of 16 and raises money for our Group funds. During the year there are usually 38 cash prizes with an additional draw at Christmas for those who join the 100 Club and pay their fee by direct debit. An easy way to support the Group!

Gift Aid

The Gift Aid scheme allows a registered charity such as a scout group to claim the tax from the Inland Revenue on the amount paid as an annual subscription.

The importance of this scheme to us cannot be overemphasised as it raises us a lot of money and costs you nothing in the process. All we ask is that you allow us to claim the tax back and to do so we do

need you to sign a form which gives us the authority to do so. Most members of the Group already do this but a number of you will have received a form recently which we would ask you to return to us as soon as possible please.

Congratulations

Many congratulations to Scout **Oliver Pusey** who has recently received a Jack Petchey Foundation Award for achievement. Oliver receives a special badge, a certificate and will receive his medal later in the year. His award is accompanied by £200 which he has used to purchase bicycle racks at our HQ. Thank you Oliver and well done!

Congratulations to two teams of scouts who recently took part in the County Cooking competition. One of the teams did exceptionally well coming fourth overall.

And finally,

Tesco and Sainsburys vouchers are back!

Once again we are participating in the Sainsburys and Tesco schemes which enables us to obtain useful equipment for all young people to enjoy.

Yours sincerely

Alan Maloney
Group Scout

Leader