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**Your Voice on Scouting in
Nottinghamshire**

Bivouac

BULLETIN **in brief**
MARCH / APRIL

County Dinner 28th April

A GREAT NIGHT OUT

CROWN PLAZA HOTEL

Wollaton Street, Nottingham, 7.15 for 7.30 - *Dress code lounge suite*

200 tickets sold! Have you got yours yet?

If not, there is still time. Forms and monies to be in to the County Office by Thursday April 13th

Appeal 100 Appeal 100 Appeal 100

As part of our celebration year we want to have lots of fun and at the same time, make a difference by "helping other people". And we have chosen a great project to support. With your help!

Who are we going to help? - Children from across Nottinghamshire who become very ill. The Paediatric Intensive Care Unit at the Queens Medical Centre could potentially treat any child from Nottinghamshire. Over the years some of our young people have been patients at the unit and now we want to give something back.

What are we aiming to buy? - I STAT machine (hand held blood gas analyser), USCOM (Cardiac Output monitor) And, hopefully renovating a parent's room

The challenge - Is for each Scout Group to raise at least £100 + by holding a special "Appeal 100" event, (We would also welcome personal donations from those not associated with a Group)..... the target is to raise £15,000 by the end of our centenary year !

How can you help? - Organise an event of course! Big, small, any thing in between to help raise £100 (or more!) per Group

- Car washes
- Jumble Sale
- Gardening
- Litter pick
- Sponsored... any thing !
- Bag pack
- Social event
- Handcraft sale
- Biscuit making
- Tuck shop
- Do a job for friends & family ... and any other ideas that you can think of:

Send your donation to the County Resource Centre (cheques made payable to "Nottinghamshire County Scout Council" (marked Appeal 100) along with this slip.

Appeal 100 donation £ _____ from: _____

What we did: _____ (send us a picture!)

Wanted

People over the age of 18yrs to escort buses from Walesby Forest Activity Centre to Hylands Park and Alton Towers. CRB's will be needed and can be arranged, but residence on site is not a requirement. If you wish to visit the World Jamboree and help others at the same time then this is your opportunity.

Contact Tony Bostock on 01623 756221 or email to anthony.bostock@homecall.co.uk for further information

This is your chance of a lifetime — don't miss it.

Any one interested in looking after the County Archives? Please contact the County Office on 0115 9523617

Big thank you to all who helped at Founders Day.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To receive your copy of Bivouac you MUST be on the Gilwell Management Database. We are no longer keeping a separate database at Robey Close.

Copy date for the next edition — April 20th

Workshop Scouts Founders Day and Guides Thinking Day Service

ON Sunday 18th February members of Workshop and District Scouts and Workshop Guides joined to celebrate both Scouts Founders Day and Guides Thinking Day.

Starting from the Market Place both organisations paraded through the town centre (pictured below, right) to the recently opened Crossing Church. All Sections

paraded their respective flags which made an impressive sight to onlookers. The parade ended on Newcastle Street where the flag party lined up (below, left).

The church was filled to capacity and those not fortunate enough to secure a seat in the main body of the church were able to watch in the adjoining church café via the CCTV link.

During the service, conducted by Rev. Mark Pengelly, members of both organisations renewed their respective promises and at the conclusion were able to chat with friends old and new.

An enjoyable and memorable afternoon was certainly in keeping with the Centenary Celebrations and one which will be remembered well into the future.



WANTED 35mm black-coloured film canisters

(not the clear ones) for a County Centenary Camp activity.

Please pass them on to your District Explorer Scout Commissioner

or leave at County Resource Centre, Linby

Steve Cree, ACC (Explorers)

Tel: 01623 635870

Awards Awards



*Chief
Scout's
Bronze
Award*

The following members have gained their Chief Scouts Bronze Award: Benjamin Sothorn and Sam Watson of 1st Kirkby in Ashfield Beaver Colony; Ben Cooper, from 4th Carlton and Jacob Day of 5th Hucknall Scout Group.

24th Nottingham (Cavendish)

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wb.scoutshop@ntlworld.com

Baden-Powell comes to Robin Hood Country

The Grandson of the Founder of the Scout Movement, The Hon. Michael Baden-Powell is coming to Nottingham on Wednesday 20th June 2007 to deliver a talk entitled 'The First 100 Years and Beyond.' This will be held at the Masonic Hall, Goldsmith Street, Nottingham and is open to non-Masonic visitors to attend. Reception will be at 6 pm for 6.45 pm followed by the talk starting at 7 pm. Scout uniform may be worn. After the talk there will be a two-course meal including wine at a cost of £23.

Anyone interested in attending should apply to Martin Payne for a booking form by e-mail: Festival@WalesbyForest9674.org.uk or telephone 01332 741004.

Alternatively you may contact Howard Parker at 1st Redhill Scout and Guide Group. Bookings are required by 1st June

2nd Toton Cubs working for their 'Air Activity' badge

2nd Toton Cubs working for their 'Air Activity' badge at Aero Park Castle Donnington. They were very good with the Cubs and are happy to accommodate others. They allowed us to go on board a couple of planes. They are all volunteers so would require a phone call to arrange a time and we paid a small fee of 50p or £1 per child.

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AS you will have seen in our 2007 activities brochure we have lots on offer this year. As a County we aim to provide a whole range of diverse activities that will add to your programme. These range from Rock Climbing, Hill Walking, Mountain Biking to Canoeing and Sailing.

Why not have a go. All are reasonably priced and all are run by people skilled in that activity who have a passion about sharing their skills with others.

Surprise yourself. Take the plunge and have a go at a County Activity or two this year. All booking through the County Office these must be on a booking form with a deposit. Contact the office if you have not received your activities brochure for this year Tel 01159523617 or email

office@nottinghamshire-scouts.com

First Aid Courses

The following First Response courses are being run over the coming on 15th September. These are short day courses from 9.30am – 2.30pm and is module 10 of the adult leader training scheme.

First Aid refresher are being run on 14th May. This is a two hour course that allows you to renew your first response within the three year period.

Basic adult First Aid Courses are eight hours of first aid and is 16th June at a cost of £12.

All these can be booked through the County Office.

Winter Walking Weekends

We are running a Winter Walking weekend on 16th – 18th November 2007 in the Lake District.

These are intended for Scouts, Explorers, Network members or Leaders wanting to gain more experience.

The cost is £30 to include all food, accommodation and supervision whilst on the hills.

Places are limited so book now to avoid being disappointed.

Cub Incident Hike

The County are yet again running their popular incident hike at Hollygate Campsite, Cotgrave on 12th May 2007. Teams of 4 - 6 cubs plus an adult face the challenge of finding their way and completing a variety of challenging obstacles.

Mountain Biking

Mountain Biking is held in Derbyshire with a preparation evening more local. The

dates are:

Scout Cyclist Badge, 9th May (evening), 19th May, 13th June (evening) and 30th June

Explorer Scout Mountain Biking 12th May, 9th June, 14th July & 22nd September

More details on this activity can be found in the activity brochure or by contacting the County Office.

Green Field Camping Day

The first Green Field Camping skills day is being held on 12th May 2007 at Hollygate Campsite Cotgrave. The day is aimed at providing the skills to help gain a Green Field Nights Away Permit. We shall be digging toilets, fire and wet pits, looking at toilet and water provision, building fires, camp ovens, boilers and trying different woods. We will help with advice on hygiene at camp together with mixed camping, what extra we need to provide. A must if you want to start Green Field Camping.

Rock Climbing and Walking Days in Derbyshire

The remaining date with vacancies for the Rock Climbing Day is 9th June.

For the Rock Climbing and Walking Day there are vacancies on 17th June and 22nd July.

HARDWICK PARK FARM

WE have recently begun offering farm tours and walks to local organizations and schools.

These are offered free of charge. Groups must consist of six or more people and last for a minimum of two hours. We find a lot of young people can feel intimidated walking through the countryside and especially through animals. We have done a large amount of work with D of E groups over a number of years and find that the expedition side of the Award is where a lot of our young people lack knowledge, understanding and confidence.

We are now in a position to help young people in the Nottinghamshire/Derbyshire areas to overcome some of these concerns, by opening our farm to organised visits. If anyone would like to find out more about what we have to offer please feel free to pass on our details.

What you can do on the farm

A typical visit includes:

Hardwick Park is a busy working beef and sheep farm and all visits to our farm will vary throughout the year depending on the season etc. Visits can be tailored to suit your educational requirements.

Visits to Hardwick Park Farm will begin with a greeting at the coach park area of Hardwick Hall. Bags can be transferred to the farm classroom by farm staff. Toilet facilities are available here if required. A health & safety and countryside code talk will be given before entering the farm,

The group will be led through the "Wine Glass" field where an explanation of the history of the farm is given. Various animals maybe viewed here depending on the time of year. This will take 1 to 1 1/2 hours depending on age of children and time of year. We will then proceed to the farm where a farm tour can be given. This again will depend on the time of year as to what animals are actually housed.

Before lunch children will be taken to wash their hands and use the toilet facilities. Lunch can be eaten in the stable classroom or outside.

Afternoon activities can be tailored to suit your requirements.

Activities on the farm:

Farm Tour – an introduction

Ask the farmer – questions

A themed walk – this can vary according to group interests and to what

there is available, e.g. historic, conservation, wildlife.

Woodland activities – simple activities for primary pupils to learn more about trees and their uses.

Learning about animals – explaining more about the animals on the farm and how they are kept

Observing farming practices – explaining things that the group may see during their visit, lambing animals husbandry. How does a tractor work? Activities depend on time of day or season.

Areas available for your fieldwork:

The farmland could also be available for your own fieldwork studies with indoor facilities if required.

Examples:

Woodland and mature trees,

Species rich fields,

Historical features and parkland

landscape, Ponds Soils,

Hay meadows and pastureland.

For further information contact:

Clare Aldis,

Hardwick Park Farm,

Norwood Lane, Norwood,

Sutton-in-Ashfield,

Active Kids 2007

Register now as a Group, District or County for Active Kids 2007. Log on to the Sainsbury's website or phone 0870 350 0404 to apply for a welcome pack, including your catalogue and accompanying free Scout resources, which are packed with lots of programme ideas.

Free resources for all Sections

At the heart of the Active Kids campaign is the aim to support schools in the effort to inspire young people to be more active. With this in mind, the campaign places a huge emphasis on encouraging children of all ages and abilities to get active in the form of free inspirational equipment, kit and experiences.

How does the Active Kids campaign work?

All you have to do is collect vouchers that you can then redeem against the equipment and resources in the Active Kids catalogue. There is a specific section for Scouts, containing camping equipment, outdoor games and lots of exciting activity ideas. You earn one Active Kids voucher for every £10 spent at any main Sainsbury's store, including groceries online at

www.sainsburys.co.uk

or at Sainsbury's petrol stations. The campaign will also see one voucher earned for every £5 spent at local stores.

We have also produced a free activity pack for Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and one specially tailored to Explorer Scouts and Network Scouts. Packed with great ideas, the resources are designed to complement your weekly programme. You will find activity ideas linked to a number of Scouting badges, such as the Fitness Challenge and Healthy Eating Badge.

If you have any queries regarding Active Kids and The Scout Association, especially to check your membership numbers, please email

active.kids@scout.org.uk

Sainsbury's Active Kids launched in 2005, in the face of the continued national debate surrounding childhood obesity and the Government push to increase physical activity among children of school age.

Home Hospitality for Japanese Scouts

As you already know in 2007 Scouting will celebrate its Centenary with a programme of events and activities in the UK and worldwide. The world will come to the UK for the 21st World Scout Jamboree, the highlight of the World Scouting calendar. This is being held at Highlands Park near Chelmsford in Essex and will be attended by about 40,000 participants.

Home Hospitality (or 'HoHo') is a positive and inspiring programme where international Scouts – **in our case 80 Scouts & their leaders from Japan**, are hosted in local communities, enabling them to experience life in the UK in a way that no tourist would be able to. HoHo is the ultimate cultural crossover that offers a great opportunity to make new friends from around the world, and to gain a truly international experience without even leaving your home! In Nottinghamshire HoHo will last for 4 days, and will take place after the Jamboree (9th to 12th August 2007) The type of hosting we are proposing for our Japanese guests is the 'traditional' Hospitality, where two or three Scouts live with a family in their home. It is important to remember that HoHo does not need to be an expensive, elaborate affair - we simply want our guests to enjoy their time in the UK and learn a little about our culture. There will be 2 or 3 events organized by the County for the young people during their stay with us.

If you would like to find out more about HoHo please contact me :-

Roger.whibley@tiscali.co.uk
or 01636 812236

(evenings & weekends)

Roger Whibley

Camp Fire Leader's Basic Course

We ran our last course in October 2006; unfortunately we were not able to accommodate all applicants who wished to join us. As a result, we are offering a course in May – Friday 11th to Sunday 13th at Sherbrooke Scout Camp, Calverton. The Course itself is 'hands on' and is designed to explore the basic principals of planning a Camp Fire, Choosing - Teaching & Leading Songs, Building a Camp Fire and more.

The Course: -

Starts at 20.00hrs on a Friday evening and ends at about 16.30hrs on Sunday, and the course fee is £32.00. As with previous courses, we can only accommodate 24 participants.

If you are interested in joining us please contact Dave Bagshaw for an Application Form:

1 Hall Croft, Beeston,
Nottingham NG9 1EL
Tel: 0115 877 0062
Mob: 07951 839498

[Email: cfl@davebagshaw.com](mailto:cfl@davebagshaw.com)

2007 Walesby World Experience

Day visitors Join in the Centennial Celebrations

Open to Scout and Guide Associations
Some activities will be provided
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Newark,
Nottinghamshire NG22 9NG
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Email:
2007experience@walesbyforest.org.uk

Day Pass £10

Sun 29th/Mon 30th/ Tues 31st July
Thurs 2nd/ Fri 3rd August 10am – 8pm

Sunrise Day Pass £15

Wednesday 1st August
Includes continental breakfast 7am – 8pm

Telephone bookings only 01623 860202

County Centenary Camp 25th — 28th May

OUR main celebration during 2007 is the County Camp at Walesby Forest Camp site on 25th – 28th May 2007. This is the first time in living memory that Nottinghamshire Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and Network have all had the chance to camp together, with Beaver Scouts coming for one day of the camp, to celebrate their 21st Birthday in style.

This weekend camp will count as a

Celebration activity and will therefore qualify for the Centenary Camp Badge.

The activities on offer will include, Archery, Climbing Walls, Air Rifle Shooting, Canoeing, Raft Building, Crate Stacking, Swimming, bouncy castles, inflatable zones, crystal maze, circus skills, crafts, discos, and many more!

It will be a buzzing weekend of fun for all. The cost is £15 for 3 nights camp fees

and all activities. All leaders camping will have to pay the camp fee; staff will be charged £7.50 to cover the site fees.

The camp will be arranged in District sub Camps with each Group camping as a group.

Bookings forms are available from the County Resource Centre; a £20 deposit is required to secure a booking with full payment 6 weeks before the event.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CUB SCOUTS — Cub Incident

Saturday 12th May 2007 Hollygate Campsite, Cotgrave

THERE will be various incidents testing mental and physical skills for cubs to take part in. There will be a prize for the team with the highest score but it will not be related to the speed of the team.

Teams of 4 – 6 Cubs each team to have at least one adult with them. The adults can not take part in the activities but we will provide a brain teaser to keep you busy!!

The maximum is 30 teams so get your booking in now. Entry fee £12 per team, closing date 30th April 2007 so get booking now.

First team away will be at 9.30am and then at 10 minute intervals. You will be advised of your start time along with joining details that will include a parental consent/medical form for each child. These need to be brought with you to the registration point.

The event will take you about four hours to complete, the latest start time being 12 noon. Once your team has completed the course they will be free to go. There will not be a prize giving but the

results will appear in Bivouac and the ACC Cubs will come to your pack meeting to present the first prize.

Cubs will need to bring a packed lunch and waterproof coat as the activity will happen even if it rains. We will provide free tea, coffee & squash during the day.

Remember the Closing date is 30th April 2007

Completed Applications sent to :

County Resource Centre,
Unit One, Trinity House, Robey Close, Linby
Nottinghamshire NG15 8AA

Telephone 0115 9523617 Fax 01159523724

Email office@nottinghamshire-scouts.com

Cheques made payable to "Nottinghamshire Scouts".

Full joining instructions will be sent out as confirmation of the booking.

Malvern CHALLENGE 29th June-1st July 2007

The ultimate event for all Scouts and Guides,

Explorers and Senior Section Guides under 16 years old

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Sun Run 6th - 8th July 2007

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EXPLORER SCOUTS AND SENIOR SECTION GUIDES (AGED 15 UPWARDS), SCOUT NETWORK, LEADERS, FELLOWSHIPS, ETC

Themed Party * Fairground Rides * Simulator * Dancers & DJ's
Competitions to include: Football, Tug-of-War, Netball, Volleyball
Climbing Wall * Bungee * Two Overnight Runs (optional) —
Full Marathon 26.2 or 13 Miles * Bar & 24 hour Café and lots more!

Contact: Robert Stevens(01242) 240736 (24 hour voice mail)

Fax: (01242) 240750 — Email: info@sr-mc.org or

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For information on any aspects of the Scheme please contact:

David B Henson, County D of E Award Adviser,
ca.dofe@nottinghamshire-scouts.com
or contact CRC for my address/telephone number

Last chance to apply for funding

The Nottinghamshire Community Foundation funding is in it's final year. The final appeals panel will sit in September 2007.

<http://www.nottscommunityfoundation.org.uk>

Any Groups wishing to apply for funding grants this year must do so before the end of August 2007.

Mansfield District Scouts are looking for donations of Digital cameras.

Maybe you have upgraded yours and have an older one that you no longer have use for, then why not donate it to the

Scouts. During this our Centenary year, we are holding many special events and think it would be great if the young people of Mansfield could record these events using digital photography.

Any working camera with software and power lead would be great.

Please ring Andy Richmond 01623 795267 to arrange local collection.

Thank you.