

1ST SANDLEHEATH SEA SCOUT GROUP



WATERLINES

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A.G.M. Edition



Left: Jo Bailey leads the way in the Mirror class at the Solent Sea Scout Regatta at Blashford

At the Marchwood Regatta in September we won the Small Group Trophy and were second equal in the main Scout Regatta. Stephen White and Tim Donnell won the Venture Scout Sailing Trophy, Alex and Sam Downing won the Scout sailing on Saturday and Alex Downing and Tom Roach won on Sunday. (We won all the sailing Trophies!). We also won many individual races in canoeing and rowing.

G.S.L.'s Report

We are still at our dilapidated HQ in Sandleheath. Progress on a new HQ at the field is slow as our efforts are primarily directed to scouting activities, leaving little time for anything else.

Although we are (inevitably) short of warranted Leaders, we do at least have one in each section and lots of helpers (parents and Venture Scouts) to assist the Leaders.

The sections are fully subscribed and running well. For the second year running we have a young person who has come up through the sections taking out a warrant. Congratulations and thanks to James Bennett (A.S.L.). We also have 3 Venture Scouts helping regularly in Cubs.

Progressive training and activity awards are going well. Special congratulations to Ian Jacobs on achieving his Chief Scouts Award.

A number of Scouts and Venture Scouts achieved canoeing 1 and 2 * awards and Sailing Level 2 and 3 awards. We won the Solent Scout Spring Sailing Regatta in June at Blashford Lake, where Jo Bailey and Sally White won the Mirror Class.

Beavers and Cubs have also had the opportunity to have a go at Water Activities, as have scouts from other Groups and St John and Red Cross Cadets.

Congratulations to Stephen White and James Bennett on their Caving authorisations and to Stephen for gaining his Form M for Hill walking.

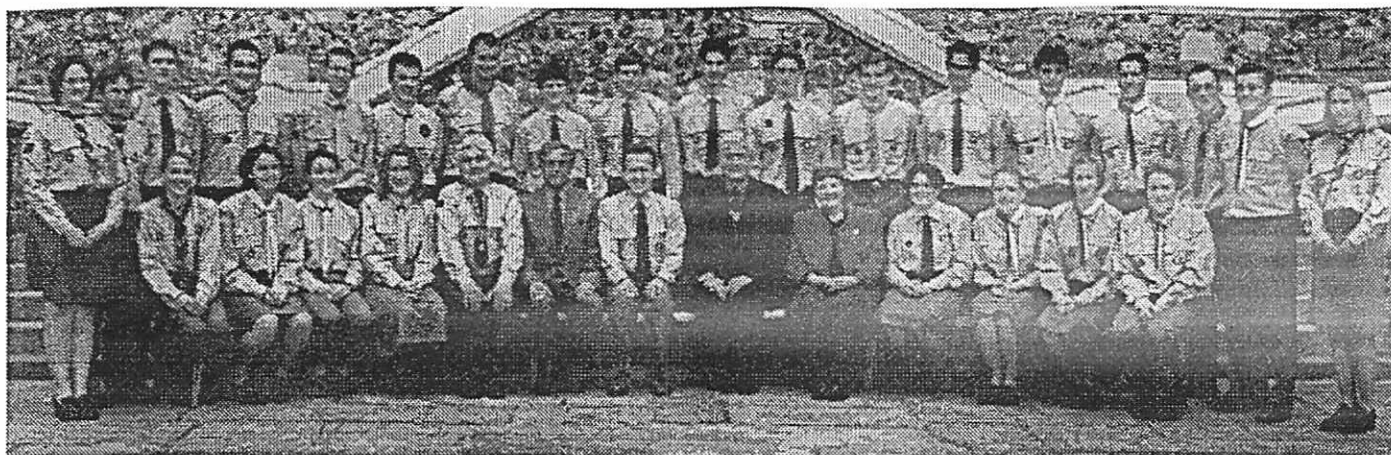
The Cubs enjoyed their camp at Harry's Island (as did the Leaders). I couldn't recognise anyone as they were all covered in face paints!

The Scouts and Venture Scouts had a joint camp with Barton Sea Scouts at Corf Camp on the Isle of Wight (some of the scouts sailed over from Lymington). We sailed, canoed, rowed, climbed, walked, had wide games and generally got wet, dirty and tired such as you are supposed to at camp! Everyone agreed that it was a huge success. Thanks to the Barton Leaders and helpers for all their hard work. We are to repeat the venture at Burnbake, Corfe Castle this year.

After the camp, 3 Scouts (Ian Jacobs, James Hunt and Alex Downing) set off on their Chief Scout Challenge - to walk around the Isle of Wight by the coast path. Despite blisters and fatigue they completed their task and told the Scout and Venture Scouts all about it at their presentation evening.

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G.S.L.'s Report ... cont.

Thanks to all the Leaders and helpers for giving such a lot of time to Scouts. Thanks also to the back room gang - the Executive Committee, those who help with HQ maintenance, the water activities crew and of course the Fund Raising Committee (so ably led by Caroline Morris). We had a good Fund Raising year, due mainly to our Fair at the Recreation Ground in Fordingbridge, generously sponsored by Pinchbecks, the SEAT dealer in Salisbury.

Keep up the good work everyone - I hope next year will be as successful as this and that we make a little bit more progress with our new HQ.

Best wishes to the Venture Unit for their trip to Switzerland this summer.

Ros White - Group Scout Leader.

Fund Raising Committee

Fund raising continues throughout the year. We have two aims, to supplement subs so that we can continue to provide a range of activities, notably water activities, which are very expensive. We also need to raise money for the proposed new Scout Hut. During the past year we have organised the BBQ, Flea Market, bag packs at the Co-op, jumble sale, cake stall, produce stall etc etc. Any new ideas please contact a committee member, we welcome your ideas and involvement. Our next event is the Scout BBQ to be held on Saturday 12th June following the regatta, usually a very pleasant family evening.

This year we do not intend to run a flea market. Our major fundraiser is to be a Casino Night on Saturday

Congratulations to Stephen White and James Bennett - who gained their Queens Scout Awards this year. They and the 27 other recipients from Hampshire will be travelling to Windsor Castle for this year's St. George's Day Parade.

Thanks to all the parents for their co-operation in paying subscriptions promptly. The new system and the latest innovation, to post reminders, should solve the problem of slips hidden in pockets!

Please remember if you do have a problem paying then contact myself or Ros White (G.S.L.), so that we can come to some arrangement.

Thanks again,

Sue Jacobs

16th October at Damerham Village Hall. Money raised at this event will go towards the new Scout Hut. This promises to be an excellent evening so please keep the evening free and tell your friends and family.

The committee currently stands at 6, the ideal number is probably about 10 - so we would welcome new members. Please do come and join us, it is not so very arduous and can be quite fun and gets you involved in the Scout movement.

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Caroline Morris - Fundraising Co-ordinator

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Water Activities

How was your sailing last year? Will your sailing be better this year? We hope ours will be.

Last year some of our Scouts achieved RYA Level 3 sailing. This showed that they can handle a boat, "read" weather and water conditions and are confident on both lake and tidal conditions. During this coming season we shall reinforce that learning and practise new techniques.

Following that group very closely is another group who worked to RYA Level 2. We expect several of them to qualify at Level 3 in the coming season.

To help us to work to these standards, we are grateful for the help given by Brian Ackerman of 1st Barton Sea Scout Group.

Every season we have new members, most of whom are from our own Cubs and so are quite young. Many have no experience of water activities and some lack confidence. Katherine Chambers, one of our Ventures, has given some of her time assisting with this group. It is enormously satisfying to see these beginners become sailors, overcoming their apprehensions and learn to sail round a triangle shaped course.

Some of the boats that we have are old and worn out, so we shall not have either of the two group Enterprises this year. Last season, and during the

winter, Alleyne Copestake worked very hard keeping the Mirrors in good order - Thanks Alleyne.

Now that our sailors have better skills, we won't have so much damage..... Maybe, just maybe..

Others who have helped in the last year are Hywell Morris and Stephen White, who have run the support boat for our Troop sessions.

For the new season we hope to spend time on the Solent, so as to gain experience of open water and tidal conditions. We also need to practise racing skills if we are to maintain our regatta standards.

To complete the above programme we need help from more adults - parents, uncles, aunts, brothers, sisters, grandparents. You do not necessarily have to know about sailing; just be willing to come and assist and supervise on the shore. We could teach you to sail if you want to learn.

See you at the lake.

John Douce - Sailing Instructor

Summer means SAILING!

I am always pleased to greet the summer - not only is it my favourite season, but it means the scouts return to the local Blashford lakes. I see the season at the lakes as a great opportunity to catch up on rusty sailing skills and share a hobby with friends out of school. Since joining Sandheath Sea Scouts I have made many new friends and have gained respect. I have learnt a new sport, sailing, from which I have won 3 sailing medals, sailed (helmed) across the Solent, taken part in 4 major Scout regattas and have had a group photo taken (at the Solent area Scout regatta). It was later published in a popular sailing magazine ('Yachts and Yachting'), not to mention this copy had Damon Hill on the front. So to all the leaders, fellow Scouts and Ventures, they know who they are, thank you for introducing me to a sport that I can enjoy for the rest of my life.

Tom Roach - Scout

Left: Sailing on Scout Summer Camp on the Isle of Wight. Several of the Scouts got the opportunity to sail the boats across the Solent so they were ready to be used on camp.



Venture Report

This last year has been one of change. As a young unit I believe we have developed into a hard working, closely knit venture unit. This year we have had programmes which have greatly varied in style, but the core activities could never have been left out; bridge building and wide games. For me the highlight of this year was the Venture song writing and singing. Yes that was song singing! It was brilliant [brilliant fun, maybe, but "singing" isn't the word I would choose to describe it. Can I put it in quotes? - ed] and we have come out with a good set of songs. We hope that Sandleheath Venture Scouts will reach even greater things and, of course, we are aiming to get some more awards. We would also like to come away from the coming regattas with more silver, so good luck Ventures.

I would also like to instruct those ventures who are going to Switzerland to have a great time and make the most of it. If you would like to find out more about this trip and how to support it there is a separate report on page 7.

We look forward to next year, both the fun and the challenges it may bring.

Ian Jacobs - Vice Chairman



Above: Matthew poses for the camera after a successful race at Marchwood.

Right: The Unit hockey team.



I would like to add my own little piece to that report by Ian.

As the whole Venture unit and the majority of Waterlines readers know, I have been the Chairman for the past six months and what an enjoyable experience it has been - interesting, entertaining and at the same time a very good learning asset. The activities this past year have included a varied style of interests from Curry and Jelly evenings to Current issue debates and as already noted by Ian, we cannot forget the Bridge Building and Wide Games. I also feel that the evening which made me realise what an excellent bunch of young people the ventures really are was the Song evenings and special thanks go to Stephen who, returning especially for the evening, managed to produce all the songs onto CD for the unit - more to follow at the Group AGM - WATCH THIS SPACE!!!!

As for public events we had a full turn out at both last years parades and this year - as we are hosting the St. George's day parade, there will again be a full turnout and this year we have a very special job to excel in! We will though, be less two ventures as Stephen and James will be at Windsor Castle receiving their QSA - congratulations to both and I hope to see others in the unit follow close behind.

Sandleheath also challenged Alderholt Ventures to a Hockey match. The game was held on the 11th of February and unfortunately Sandleheath lost 6-2, despite playing very well.

Anyway, my time has come as VSU Chairman due to other commitments, mainly the fact of me being away for the majority of next year at University!!! - but I no doubt feel that the unit will continue to blossom and have new, fun and expanding ideas, achieving all the individuals desires but still remembering to work as a unit.

I would like to thank the unit exec for all their support in decision making and thank you to Steve Wilfort, our leader, who has taken a back seat in a lot of instances but still helped us when needed.

Finally, I would like to thank the unit for a wonderful, fulfilled year and to all the old and new ventures for making my job an enjoyable one.

Claire Ritchie - Venture Chairman

April	Sun, 25	St. George's Day Parade, 10am, Fordingbridge
May	Sat, 1	Bag Pack, Co-op, 8:30am (Scouts)
	Mon, 10	Group AGM, 7:30pm, St. Aldhelm's Church
	Mon, 10	District Exec. Meeting, 8pm, 1st Ringwood Scout HQ
	Wed, 12	Group Scouter's Meeting, 8pm, Scout HQ
	Mon, 17	District AGM, 8pm, Poulner Scout HQ
	Sat, 29	District Plant Stall, Ringwood
June	Thur, 10	District Beaver Leaders Meeting
	Mon, 14	Group Exec. Meeting, 7:30pm, Burgate Farmhouse
	Sat, 12	Group Regatta, 10am, Spinnaker (Scouts/Ventures)
	Sat, 12	Group Barbecue, 6pm, Spinnaker
	Wed, 16	District Scout Leaders Meeting
	Sat, 19	Cub Day at Gilwell
	Sat, 26	County Beaver Day, Ferny Crofts
July	Thur, 1	District Cub Leaders Meeting
	Sat, 3	Solent Scout Regatta, 8am, Blashford (Scouts/Ventures)
	Fri, 9 – Sun, 11	District Cub Camp, Harry's Island
	Mon, 12 - Wed, 14	Venture Hike Training
	Mon, 12	Group Exec. Meeting, 7:30pm, Scout HQ
	Wed, 14	District Cub Junior Eggo
	Sat, 17	Fordingbridge Show (show jumps – Ventures)
	Sat, 24 - Aug, 8	Venture Summer Camp, Switzerland
	Sat, 24 - Sat, 31	Scout Summer Camp, Corfe Castle
August	Sat, ?	Frogham Fair Car Parking (Scouts)
September	Thur, 7	District Scout Leaders Meeting
	Fri, 10	Deadline for Autumn edition of Waterlines.
	Mon, 13	Group Exec Meeting, 7:30pm, The Roost
	Sat, 25	Marchwood Regatta (Scouts)
	Sun, 26	Marchwood Regatta (Scouts/Ventures)
	Thur, 30	District Cub Leaders Meeting
October	Sun, 3	District Cub Handicrafts
	Sat, 16	Casino Evening (Over 18s)
	Mon, 18	District Scouters Meeting, 8pm, 1st Ringwood Scout HQ
November	Mon, 8	Group Exec. Meeting, 7:30pm, Scout HQ
December	Mon, 6	District Carol Service, 6:30pm, Ringwood
	Dec, 25	Deadline for Christmas/New Year/Millennium edition of Waterlines.



1st Sandleheath Sea Scout Group

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The Executive Committee would like to thank all those who have played their part on the hut cleaning rota, and also Vaughan Bradbury for his work in maintaining the old HQ.

Venture Trip to Switzerland

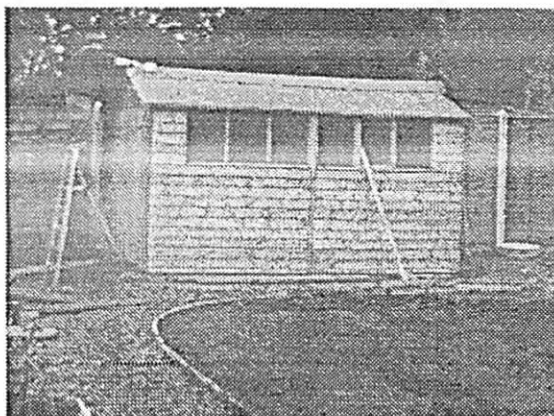
This July, 10 members of Sandleheath Venture Unit are going on a two week trip to Kandersteg, Switzerland, along with two hundred and fifty other Ventures from Hampshire. We will also be joining Scouts and Guides from around the world on the campsite. While in Switzerland we shall be doing things that we have never experienced before such as White Water Rafting, Paragliding and hiking through the Swiss Mountains, while also taking in the Swiss culture. We consider ourselves to be very fortunate in being able to participate in the national celebration; Swiss National Day.

Some of the events we are doing will help us to achieve parts of our Venture awards including Queen Scouts, so if you could support us through our fundraising we would appreciate it greatly.

James Hunt - Public Relations
Sam Bennett - Venture Scout



Ventures hard at work raising money for their Swiss trip.



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Scouting is a voluntary organisation - please help support it by joining our team of helpers.

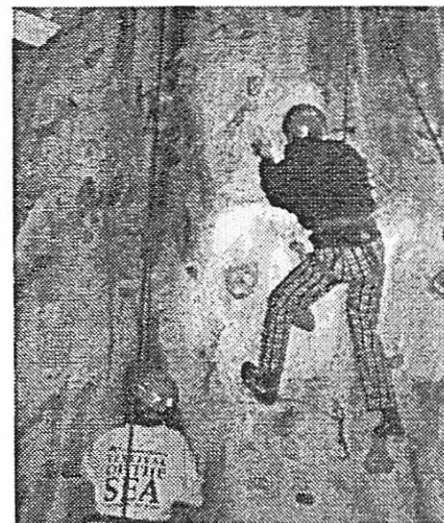


YOU CAN HELP

Please contact Ros White on
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Scouts

Right: Ventures try their hand at climbing something even steeper than the Swiss mountains.



We are getting ever closer to our trip to Switzerland. To help us go we are trying to raise £3000. We have organised a Quiz Night last term and a car treasure hunt coming up this term. To go with these main events we are also doing bob-a-job, this is our chance to help you do those jobs that you really haven't got the time to do. What we like to think is that your son/daughter may end up as a Venture Scout, and it is for this reason that we would like you to support our campaign, in the future it may be you or your children asking for the same help. You can support us by coming along to our fundraising events or by employing a number of polite, fun and helpful Venture Scouts. We are willing to do basically anything, may it be gardening or car washing, or anything else off a long list of tasks that you would do next time you get a spare 'round tuit'. The only thing we have to say is that we can't do specialist jobs, like building walls.

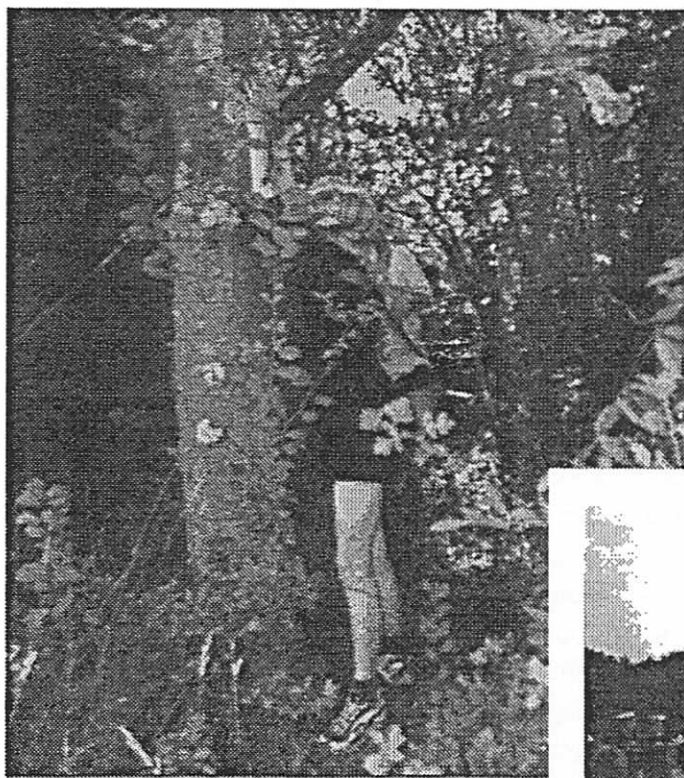
Please phone me on 01425 653782 or James Hunt on 01425 650194.

Ian Jacobs - Venture Scout

Scout Report

Thinking back over the last year, the first thing that springs to mind is summer camp. At first our Scouts were apprehensive about having a camp jointly with Barton Troop, but after the first couple of days all fears had been replaced by new friends. At camp they did various activities, including sailing across the Solent and day hikes - where one group took the opportunity to put in some climbing practice in order to regain the correct path. We are looking forward to another camp joint with Barton this summer.

For three Scouts the camp wasn't exhausting enough and they decided to round it off with a walk around the Isle of Wight for their Chief Scout's Challenge. A big well done to Ian Jacobs, James Hunt and Alex Downing, and I wish Ian and James all the best with the continuation of their Scouting career in Ventures. We had a successful sailing season last year, which culminated in a 2nd place at the Marchwood regatta, after our earlier successes at Blashford.



Above: Scout Camp wouldn't be complete without a blindfold trail.

Right: Camp assembles for flag-break.



During the winter we moved into the hut for our "proper" (land-based) scouting activities. The skills learnt were put to the test in early December when our Scouts demonstrated their navigational and general problem-solving skills at S.A.L.L.I.E. - an incident hike organised by New Forest South.

The programme has included the usual cooking, walking, wide games and first aid as well as the mechanics badge (thanks to James Bennett). Thank you and well done to those who turned up on Remembrance Day - I was proud that Sandleheath were so well represented. Congratulations to Ian Jacobs on achieving his Chief Scout's Award - I was privileged to attend the award presentation in Southampton.

The current troop have begun practising for great things with three two-day hikes organised entirely by the Scouts themselves. They should have been self sufficient - but I wouldn't have liked to carry the equipment they took and I think there was some help in this department.

As to the future I would like to see the troop more involved in District events [you would, you've just been appointed A.D.C. Scouts - ed]. We need to build on the good base that we have achieved this year - if the troop wants to succeed it is essential that the leaders know what the troop wants. With the help of the P.L.C. we should be able to provide a programme that is both relevant and challenging.

Thanks to everyone who has helped in the past year, the A.S.L.s (Stephen White, Mike Giddens and James Bennett) as well as Ros White and Krysia Chambers.

Steve Young - Scout Leader

S.A.L.L.I.E.

(Scout And Leader Lightless Incident Exercise)

On 5th December, 1998 a few of us Scouts went on a night hike. We did a 6 miles walk and when we got to each manned post we had to do an activity which included blindfolding three people and guiding them from a small stream to a bin, cooking a pancake, making a tall wooden holder to hold a torch and do morse code and carry someone with a hurt arm and leg. It was really good fun, but it was so cold. We were all freezing, I was in a group with Sally, Jo & Sophie. A couple of times I wanted to give up but Jo managed to keep me going. We got back to the base at around 1:30am, we were all cold and tired. But it was good, and if that's your sort of thing I'd advise Scouts to go on it next time

Helen Young - Scout

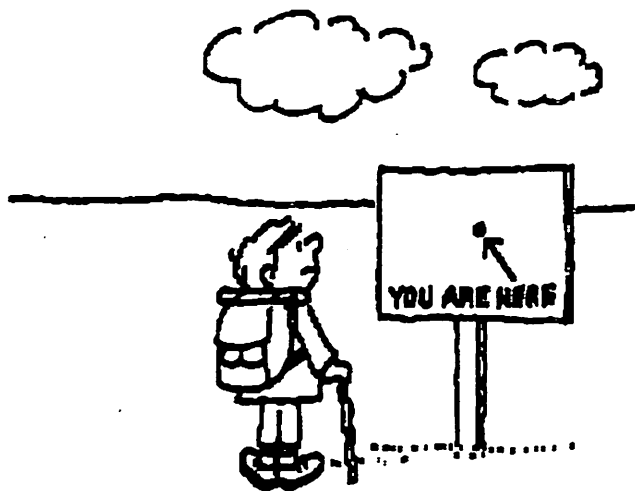
December the 5th was a night that Sally, Helen, Jo and Sophie wouldn't forget in a hurry!

The adventures started when we started walking the wrong way down the road! After half a mile we realised and turned back. Then we tried to find the first (unmanned) base. Our attempts failed miserably. We then found a bog - or should I say everyone but Helen found a bog! Helen realised there was a bog, when she got her foot stuck in it! We managed to get her foot out, but her walking boot took several more attempts! We managed to free it, and we headed on towards the second (manned) base. After we had completed that base, we walked on.

We found the third base (manned - by Venture-Scouts!). By this time Helen was quite cold, but someone else was about to become even colder! I didn't like the look of the base when I saw what we had to do: three of us were blind-folded and Helen chose the safe option of not being blind-folded. Helen then had to direct us to one part of the river so that we could collect water and take it to a tank. I (stupidly) volunteered to go first, it was fine to start with but then I felt the ground beginning to get a bit soggy, I tripped and suddenly felt very cold and very wet as I fell into the river up to my shoulders! Someone reached out to me, and I grabbed the hand and pulled myself out of the water. I got changed, leaving the other three to carry on with the evil base! Thank goodness we had all brought extra clothes with us just like good Scouts should.

A long, cold, night of hiking and challenging activity bases was 'enjoyed' by several teams of our scouts in early December.

Our teams did well, coming 2nd and 8th overall.



We then carried on to the 4th base (manned - by more Venture-Scouts!). We got a bit lost on our way to this base, but someone found us and put us on the right path. This is where Sally and I started to make up Scouty Christmas Carols! These included 'Silent Scouts' and 'Once in the 1998 Scout Camp'! We arrived at the base very high and very cold, but it was fine because we had to make food and hot drinks on this base. We left the base and walked on to the 5th base, which was manned by more Venture-Scouts! On this base we had to make a tripod strong enough to hold a torch. Our attempts weren't too bad, and it did stand up on its own - just!

We then walked very slowly to the 6th base where we had to pretend that Helen had a broken ankle and we had to move her across to a vehicle. When we had done that we walked back to Ferny Crofts, and realised that we had come round in a circle. We had soup and hot chocolate there, and talked about our adventures!

We weren't last and at least we didn't get so lost that the police had to come and rescue us like another group. [That wasn't a Sandleheath Group - ed]

Overall the S.A.L.L.I.E. 1998 was very enjoyable, and I don't think we will forget it in a hurry! I was asked whether I would do another one, I said yes but not too soon to give me time to forget!

Sophie Chambers - Scout

Beaver Report

Another busy programme behind us with lots of new Beaver friends. From our seasonal midnight walk to some very loud singing of camp fire songs, from very serious messages about road safety to hilarious games. We've managed to prepare food without getting food poisoning and make fantastic planes and some Christmas decorations; we've found out about each other and played in a variety of different groupings - taking it in turns to be leaders. The Beavers still love a quiz and can sit amazingly quiet whilst we tell them a story. We really enjoyed the lovely Carol Service at St Mary's and the Fancy Dress and Skittles Party at Christine Bennett's was a great way to end the term! We had some great Cowboys, a mad scientist, quite a few Action Men, and a winning snowman complete with pipe (well done Cub Sam Murphy).

We have started to implement the Group's new policy requiring ALL parents to complete the so-called 'WE Form'. Thank you to all those parents who have co-operated. This enables a 'security' check to be carried out. We regret that the times we live in really do necessitate such action for the protection of our children. Any parents who have concerns can speak either to myself, Ros White (Groups Scout Leader) or Andrew Quicke (Beaver Parent Representative).

As usual these activities couldn't take place without the very small group of parents who help out. Our thanks must go to Tic-Tac (Julie Deacon), Sue Cobb, Steve Bailey, and - our newest recruit - Clive Prestidge. Thanks also to Christine Bennett for so bravely allowing the Beavers and the Cubs to use her games room for our joint party. Do feel free to offer your help - it is still desperately needed if we are to keep the Beaver Colony going. We simply cannot continue with the current level of help.

Nigel Hall - Sandy (Beaver Leader)

Cub Report

First I think that it is necessary to thank those adults/leaders for coming along to help/lead, if it was not for these people then cubs would not run. So on behalf of the cubs I would like to thank Jon Crouter, Steve Wilfort, Mo Collins and Debbie Beer. Over the last two terms the cubs have had what we hope was a fun and varied programme. The highlight of this I think has to be the sleepover. Where certain culprits led the leaders to having a late night and then an early morning. Parents hopefully had a quiet day after this while the cubs regained these lost hours of sleep.

Thanks to the Ventures who helped on the Easter Egg hunt.

Ian Jacobs - Cub Helper

Editor's Ramblings

Yes it seems months ago that we last produced an edition of Waterlines, well I suppose it was. This is because of a lack of reports. Waterlines is a very good opportunity to hear what is going on in this group. We are very lucky to have this Newsletter, and we really need to support it so that it can show its full potential. Please, please, please lets have more articles (and photographs) for the next edition and lets try to make the next editions so good that they are remembered well into the next millennium. We might even try to produce a special millennium edition, so if anyone has got information or photographs of Scouting since it started at the beginning of this century then lets see them!

We would also like to thank all those who submitted reports and photos to this edition and special thanks to Althea & David Solomon who have kindly loaned us photocopying facilities for the 3rd time.

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