

# Akela says...



Hi everyone, I hope this issue finds you well.

What a start to the New Year! We have been out and about every weekend this month.

First up was the PL's programme meeting at M&B. The Scouts now have a programme of badges and outings up to April.

Next was the Cub and Scout Chess. Well done and thank you to Linden Rice and Sophie Carr for the Cubs and to Geoff Morley, Stuart Bastidas and Beth Willcocks for the Scouts. Congrats to Geoff who came 4<sup>th</sup> and will now go on to represent us at the County Chess in March.

As Scouting is 100 years old in 2007 we decided to go further afield for our week Cub camp. So we set off for Yorkshire very early on Saturday morning. We stayed overnight and got home very late on Sunday. We visited 6 campsites and found 3 that we liked, only one is suitable for Cubs, the other 2 would suit Scouts or Explorers.

Next up was the Mark Sutton competition. Well done and thank you to Amy Oxley, Chloe Marbe, Daniel Pike, Ryan Blake, Lauren Morley, Sophie Clark and Beth Willcocks. They all did very well.

February looks to be just as busy as January although I may have one weekend completely free [err...no actually... you are coming to help with the leaders IT training day! - Baggy]

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 19 of us went to see Aladdin, oh yes we did!. We all had a great time.

This weekend, 11<sup>th</sup> February, is the sponsored and fun swim. Please see me for a sponsor form. Non swimmers are welcome too.

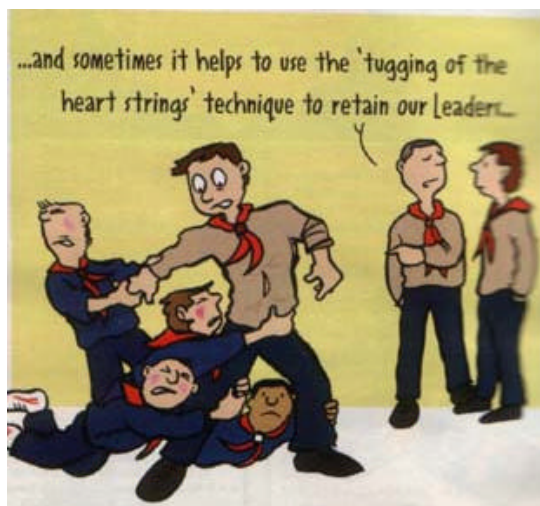
Forgot to mention our bowling competition against the Explorers. I am sorry to say they beat us. I think the next one might be table tennis which I am sure the leaders will win.

That's it from me, Take care

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# Akela's Shout

THE NEWSLETTER FOR THE 9<sup>TH</sup> BARKING & DAGENHAM SCOUT GROUP



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## Beavers & Cubs

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March

#### Handcraft

St. Mary's, Grafton Road.

1:00 p.m.

Entries handed in on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>

March between 9 and 9:30 p.m.

## Cubs & Scouts

### Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> February Sponsored/Fun Swim

Dagenham Swimming Pool

5:45 p.m.

## Scouts

### 18/19<sup>th</sup> March Scout Rally/Maurice Pass

Thriftwood

Awaiting camp forms from ADC

## All Sections

### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February Founders Day

St. Cedds, Lodge Avenue

3:00 p.m.

# Message from the GSL

Thanks to all who purchased some Webb Ivory gifts. Our profit from this was £40.80.

I hope to see you all at the sponsored swim on 11<sup>th</sup> February, this is another good fundraiser for us.

I have provisionally booked Chigwell Row Guide Campsite for our Beaver Sleepover on 4/5 November 2006. Please let me know if your son/daughter is interested in attending as I have to confirm the booking by the 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

Thanks

Teabag (GSL)

## You might be taking Scouting too seriously if:



You decide to lash together the new deck on the back of your house.  
 You plan to serve foil meals at your next dinner party.  
 You didn't mind losing power to your house for three days.  
 You managed to find that 8th day in the week.  
 You can start a fire by rubbing two sticks together.  
 You gave your wife a mummy bag rated for -15 for Christmas.  
 You bought 10,000 shares of Coleman stock on an inside tip they were about to release a microwave accessory for their camp stove line.  
 You can't eat eggs anymore unless they are cooked in a zip-locked bag.  
 You plan to get rich by writing a best selling Dutch Oven cook book.  
 You took a chemistry course at the local college to help you develop a better fire starter.  
 You actually own a left-handed smoke shifter.  
 The sales operators at Millets call centre recognize your voice.  
 The first choice you make for your holiday home is whether or not to storm lash it  
 You can tie your shoe laces with a different type of bow for each day of the week  
 You put a string fence around the barbecue in your garden  
 You store your garden hose in a large turks head woggle  
 Your wife tells you to wear your best clothes and you put on your uniform  
 You only have one meaning for the word camp  
 You take the ink blot test and can only see patrol badges  
 You prefer the taste of coffee from a plastic mug  
 Your best dinner plates are metal, chipped and made in Poland

## Space Available

If you have anything you would like to see in your newsletter, an advert for your company, a report on an event, a photo, a drawing, a joke, some information, details of camps, anything, then please speak to Baggy.

## Upcoming Events



A list (on green paper) of some important events has been distributed.

We need to know if you can or cannot make any of the events so we can rearrange our programme and camps if need be.

Please speak to a leader and add your name to the blue forms.

For example:

### Hike Camp - Scouts & Explorers

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2006 (midnight) to Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2006

### Survival & Fun Camp - Scouts & Explorers

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2006 to Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2006

### Activity Day - Beavers, Cubs, Scouts & Explorers

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2006