

Co-ordinator



Congratulations

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announce that we have five Young Leaders who have completed all of the requirements to receive their Young Leaders belt and we have another seven well on their way.

Chris and Fiona have been very impressed with these Young Leaders in their attendance, understanding and commitment to the training. The sessions have been lively and the feedback has been great. They are a credit to the Scout Movement and our District.

Those who have completed the training are:

Christian Allen
Jay Lamb
George Muge
Hannah Proctor
Rachel Warren

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They will be presented with their badges, certificates and belts shortly.



8th Letchworth Beaver Residential Experience (Sleepover) Wymondley Wood Scout & Guide Centre

On Friday I went to the Beavers hut in the woods. We had hot chocolate and saw fireworks and a bonfire. I had a great time. Thank you.

By Oliver, Beaver Scout

When we got there we played puzzles and other games. Then we sat down and found out where we were sleeping. Then we got ready to go and see the firework and we had the bonfire. Then we had a cake and hot chocolate. Next we went to get ready for bed and had a story. Then we went to bed. Then we woke up. We packed and got ready and then we had breakfast. Afterwards we did activities. It was fun. Then we when home.

By Lauren, Beaver Scout



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the Ernest Gardiner Centre.

The next Active Support Unit social event will be on Saturday 13 February at the Heritage Museum. Josh Tidy will be giving a talk on the Spirella Company and building.

At the Active Support Unit Christmas meal which was held at The Broadway the 'Secret Santa' raised £100 which was presented by Shelia Tickner, Monica Thomason and Anne Lilley to

District Cub Scout Annual Quiz

Friday 20 November 2015



Eight Cub Packs took part in last year's District Cub Scout Quiz. Topics included films, science and questions on Scouting. The team activity was to identify the picture. Thank you to the 1st Ashwell Cub Leader Team for setting the questions (it's one of the joys of winning the 2014 District Cub Quiz).

It was close but the winners of the District Cub Quiz 2015 were:-

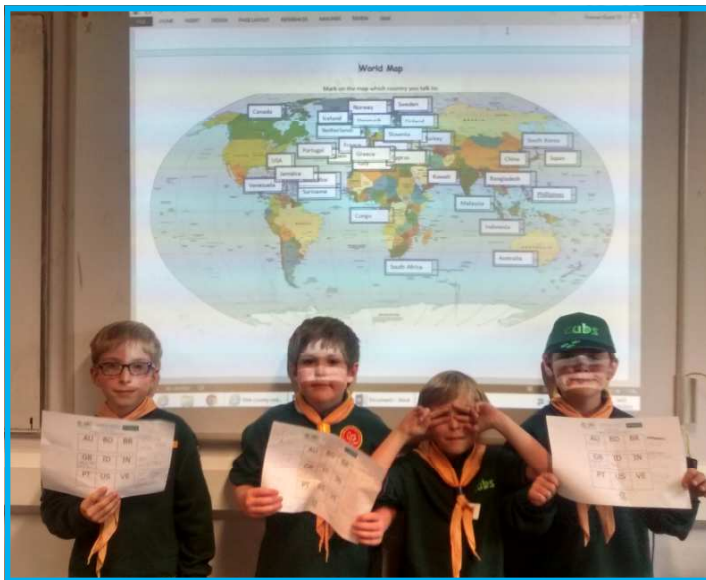
1st place	5th Letchworth
2nd place	1st Baldock (Knights)
3rd place	1st Ashwell



2nd Baldock Cub Scout Jamboree On The Internet (JOTI)

On Saturday the 17 October I went to the JOTI day at Fremantle College in Biggleswade with Christopher, Daniel and Freddie. We all really enjoyed it. First we had to match different organisations to their emblems and descriptions of what they do, for example, the Red Cross and the charity Water Aid. Next we went on the computers to talk to other Cubs around the world. We talked to Cubs in Australia (it was ten to eleven at night for them!), the Netherlands, the Philippines, Italy, France, Spain and Austria. After lunch we played a game where we had to use a bench and some chairs to cross a pretend river and safely transfer a water bottle, teddy, sleeping bag, blanket and a bag of pasta across too. We then identified different countries on a map. We finished the day with more time on the computers. It was great fun.

**Calum Boor, Cub Scout
2nd Baldock**



What is JOTA-JOTI?

Jamboree-On-The-Air and Jamboree-On-The-Internet (JOTA-JOTI) is an official international event of the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM). JOTA-JOTI is a youth programme event intended for young people in Scouting of all ages.

The purpose of JOTA-JOTI is to enable and encourage Scouts around the world to communicate with one another by means of amateur radio and the internet, providing a fun and educational Scouting experience and promoting their sense of belonging to a worldwide Scout Movement.

JOTA-JOTI related activities take place simultaneously all around the world each year during the third weekend in October. The programme for JOTA-JOTI consists both of activities developed at world level and initiatives developed at national and local level, supported by National JOTA-JOTI Coordinators and their respective teams.



Nothing better on a December morning than getting outdoors. The 8th Letchworth Scout spent the day helping Friends of Norton Common clear scrub and taking out small trees to help with woodland regeneration.



8th Letchworth Beavers in their lovely new Hi-Viz from Spec Savers

From 1 January 2016 all Executive Committee members will need to become either a Member or Associate Member of The Scout Association.

Up until now, Executive Committee members in Groups have had the choice of being a member, associate member or non-member. From 1 January 2016 all Executive members, including new members, will now need to choose whether they would like to be a member or associate member of The Scout Association. If you choose to become a member, at the next appropriate occasion, you will need to make the Scout Promise relevant to you. Please speak with your Committee Chair, Group Scout Leader or District Commissioner to make the arrangements.

To better support executive Committee members in Groups/District/Counties/Area/Regions, there will be a new version of Module 1, Essential Information specifically for Executive Members. Module 1 will be mandatory training for new members to the Committee from your first AGM in 2016. The training will be accessible as trainer's notes and an e-learning package and will be available from early 2016.

For more information please visit [The Scout Association website](http://www.scouts.org.uk).

HITCHIN DISTRICT SCOUTS

TRAINING MODULES – 2016



All Appointments	Section Leaders, Assistant Section Leaders
Managers - GSL, AGSL, ADC, DESC, Network Commissioner	Supplementary

MODULE	TITLE	DATE
7	Scouting for All	Wednesday 13 January
8	Skills of Leadership	Thursday 28 January
9	Working with Adults	Tuesday 9 February
11	Administration	Thursday 18 February
12A	Delivering a Quality Programme	Wednesday 9 March
12B	Programme Planning (Leaders only – GSLs/ Managers/ADCs may attend if they wish-not compulsory)	Thursday 24 March
13/21	Growing the Section (can combine these two modules for Leaders and GSLs/ADCs/ Managers as they are very similar)	Wednesday 20 April
14	Young People Today	Thursday 28 April
15	Challenging Behaviour	Tuesday 10 May
16	Introduction to Residential Experience (this is only the theory part of the module, for those wanting the Nights Away Permit they need to do Module 38 as this incorporates 16)	Thursday 19 May
17	Running Safe Activities	Wednesday 8 June
18/27	Practical Skills (can combine these two modules for Leaders GSLs/ADCs/ Managers as they are very similar)	Thursday 16 June
19	International – this module is changing	TBA

TIME :7.30 pm – 10.00 pm

VENUE : Hitchin District Scout Headquarters,
Grove Road, Hitchin

If you wish to attend any/all of these Modules please visit the Hertfordshire County Training Website to book your place.

www.hertfordshirescouts.org.uk/about-adult-support/training/



Chief Scout's Silver Award

David Lim	12th Letchworth
Rohan Minhas	12th Letchworth
Ellen Sneddon	12th Letchworth
Daniel Waynforth	12th Letchworth



Chief Scout's Gold Award

Joshua Gooch	2nd Baldock
Madeline Redfearn	1st Baldock
Max Smith	1st Baldock
Daniel Williamson	2nd Baldock

Young Leader Training Modules - 2016

Date	Module	Module Title	Location	Times
21 January	A	Prepare for take off	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
18 February	B	Taking the lead	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
17 March	C	That's the way to do it	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
21 April	D	Kids behaving badly	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
19 May	E	Game on	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
16 June	A	Prepare for take off	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
21 July	F	Making Scouts accessible	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
22 September	G	Programme plans	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
20 October	H	Programme plans plus	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
17 November	I	What did they say / Awards and Badges	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs
15 December		Catch up / Sign off session	DHQ, Icknield Way	1900hrs - 2100hrs

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8th Letchworth Scout Group
raised £493.46 doing a bag
pack at Morrison's.



Happy New Year to all in the District
and here's to a great year of
Scouting. **Hoping to hear from
you about your activities and
events.**

2016 Diary Dates 2016

January 2016

- 11 District Beaver Leaders' Meeting
- 12 Scout & Guide Shop reopens
- 21 YL Training Module 'A' Prepare for take off
- 24 District Scout Cooking Competition
- 28 Wymondley Wood Committee Meeting

February

- 7 County Scout Cooking Competition
- 13 ASU Heritage Museum
- 13 Module 10 - 1st Response
- 18 YL Training Module 'B' Taking the Lead
- 29 Wymondley Wood Committee Meeting

March

- 13 County Scout Triathlon — Lees Wood
- 17 YL Training Module 'C' That's the way to do it
- 18 & 19 Gang Show - St Francis Theatre
- 19 County Cub Bushcraft Day

April

- 15 - 17 District Sixers and Seconders weekend
- 21 District Scout & Guide Shop Meeting
- 21 YL Training Module 'D' Kids behaving badly
- 24 St George's Day Parade and Service
Broadway Gardens
- 29 - 2 May PACE (Scouts) - Tolmers

May

- 8 Scout Archery & Shooting Competition TBC
- 10 Module 10 - 1st Response
- 19 YL Training Module 'E' Game on
- 22 Rotary Greenway Sponsored Walk
- 28 - 2 June CubJam—Gilwell

June

- 11 Scout Kon-Tiki Raft Races TBC
- 16 YL Training Module 'A' Prepare for take off
- 24 - 26 Peak Practise - Orchard Farm
- 25 County Beavers In Tents - Well End
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