

# Co-Ordinator

**District Air Rifle and Archery Competition**  
**Sunday 8 June 2025 - Wymondley Wood**

## Archery teams (Scouts )

5th Letchworth	233
8th Letchworth	160
4th/7th Letchworth	109

## Individual Archery :

O. Moore	68
M .Rafferty	52
T. Stokes-Garrett	44

## Rifle element: (Scouts)

### Team rifle:

5th Letchworth	196
8th Letchworth	174
4th/7th Letchworth	131

F. Howell	42
S. Walkinshaw	41
A. Davis	39
G. Boulter	36
O. Moore	35

## Oak Eagle Explorer Scouts

### Archery:

Team 1	321
Team 2	200

### Top joint archers:

Millie/Molly	63
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### Rifle :

Team 1	227
Team 2	155

### Top marksman:

Austen	45
Lewis	45
Isaac	36
Sebastian	36



## Overall

1st - 5th Letchworth	429
2nd - 8th Letchworth	334
3rd - 4th/7th Letchworth	240



## Oak Eagle Explorer Scouts



**EXPLORERS** On the first May bank holiday weekend twenty Oak Eagle Explorers and six Leaders set off in minibuses across central London, heading for Dulwich Scout Centre.

**EXPLORERS**

This is a great base for activities in London and had people from far and wide staying there.

Saturday morning we took the train into central London and made our way to the O2 Dome. After a safety talk we put on a harness and climbed over the top of the dome. The weather was clear and dry and the views were fabulous.

After that we took the Uber boat taxi to Greenwich and had our lunch by the Cutty Sark. Then it was off up the big hill to the observatory.

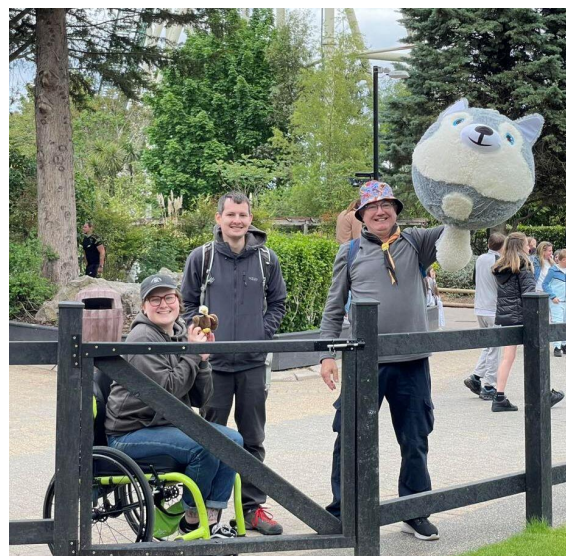
We spent the afternoon on the river taxi and a walking tour of various sites around the capital, finishing with a McDonald dinner and a train ride back to Dulwich.

Sunday was warm and sunny and we boarded the minibuses and went to Thorpe Park for the day. Goodness those rides are fast and furious.

This was a great weekend and quite different from our usual outdoor adventures. We borrowed minibuses from Roundabout which was very helpful

Thanks to the Leaders for all the help and support over the weekend and also to the Explorers who were great fun and stepped up to the challenge of the trip.

**Clair Calver - 14 - 24 Team Leader**

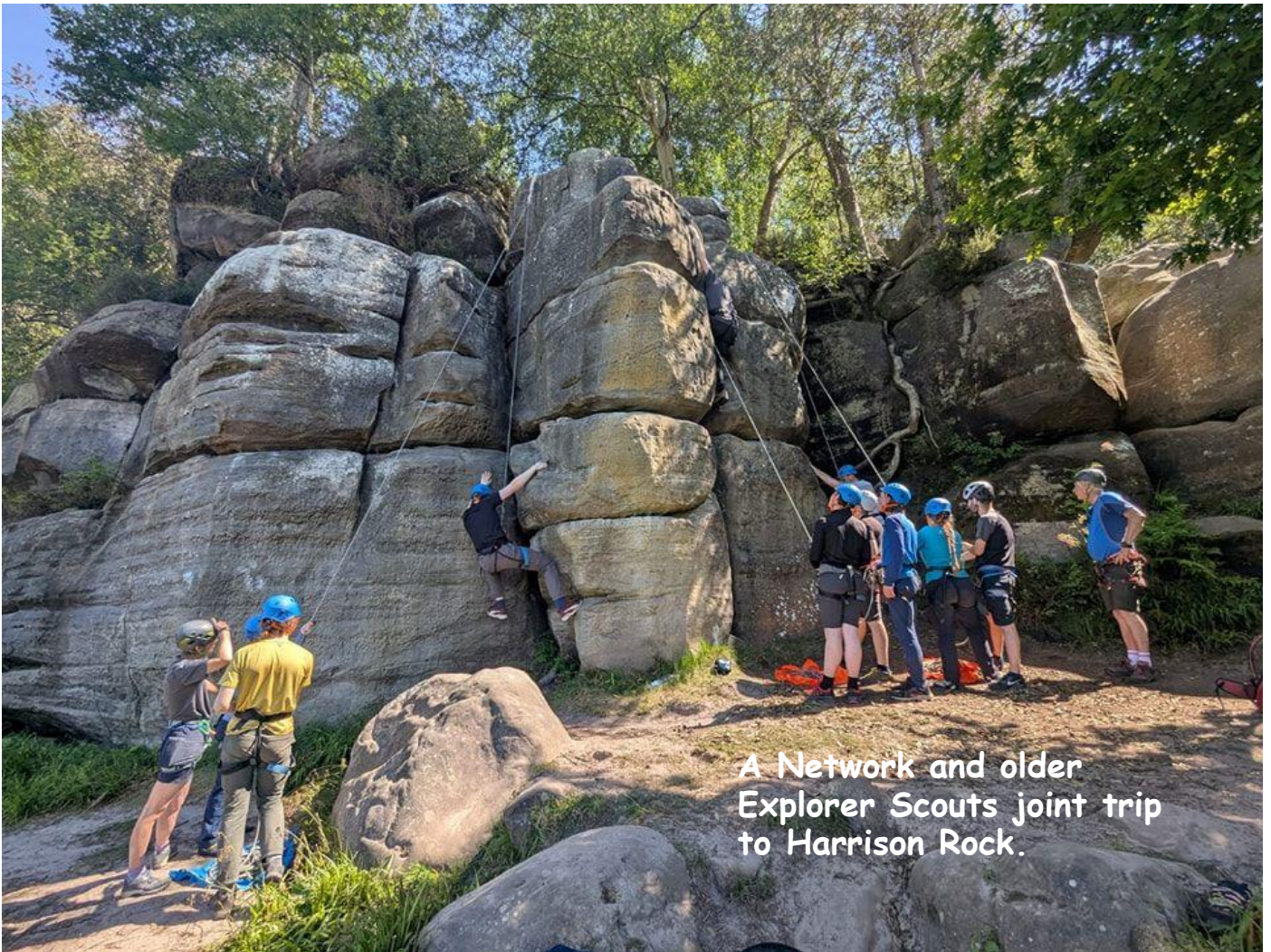








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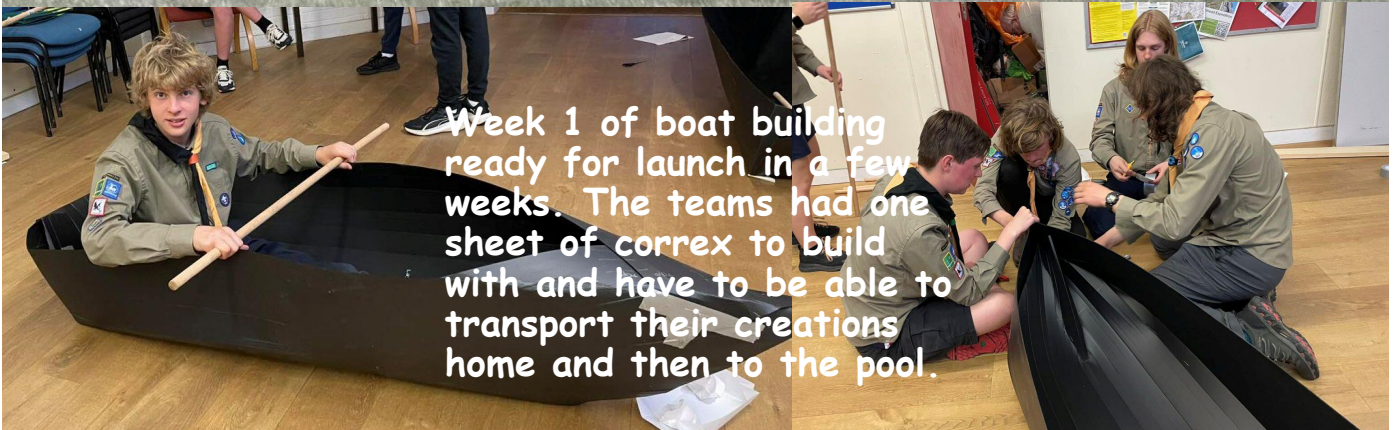


A Network and older  
Explorer Scouts joint trip  
to Harrison Rock.



Half the unit have been  
out for a sunset walk, the  
others have been at DHQ  
making sushi.

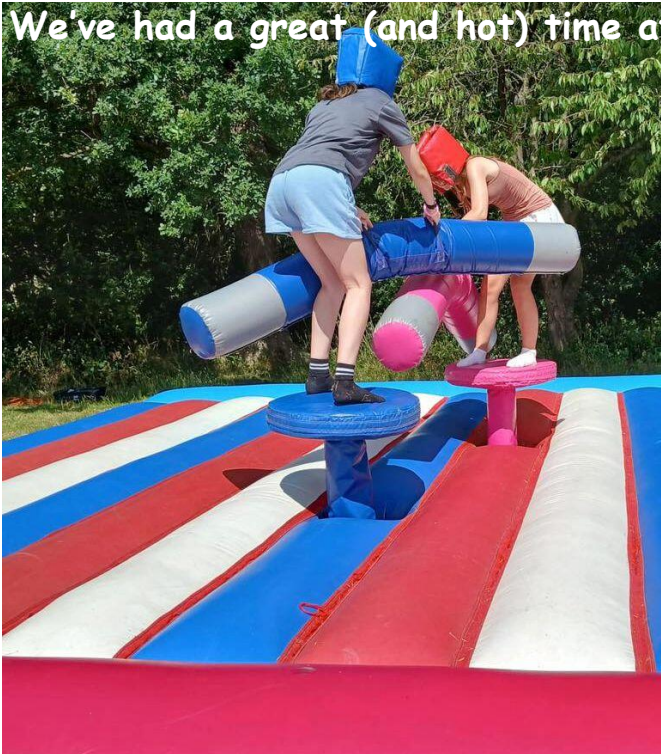






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We've had a great (and hot) time at Chillfest





## 5th Letchworth Scouts St Catherine's Nursing Home

Our Scouts kicked off a fun and engaging evening activity by testing out a variety of games in preparation for a visit to a local nursing home. The goal was simple: choose games that would be easy to pick up and enjoyable for the residents.

The Scouts tried out everything from classic card games to puzzles and board games, working together to decide on the best options for the visit. The selection was a team effort, with everyone getting involved to make sure the games were a good fit.

A few weeks later, the Scouts went to the nursing home, taking their chosen games with them. The evening was spent playing games, chatting, and enjoying each other's company. It was a great way for the Scouts and residents to connect and enjoy some time together.

Both the Scouts and residents had a great time and the group is already looking forward to more evenings like this one. It was a simple yet enjoyable way to bring different generations together and make the most of some quality time.

Kayleigh - 5th Letchworth





## **1st Ashwell Cub and Scout Camp Bradfield Park - Suffolk**

Last weekend, 1<sup>st</sup> Ashwell Scouts went to their summer camp at Bradfield Park in Suffolk. We went with the Cub pack too and there were over fifty of us including the Leaders. On a warm Friday evening, we set up tents and then we explored the campsite. I hadn't been there before and the camp was in a meadow, surrounded by trees. I really liked it as it was quieter than other Scout campsites. On Saturday we split into three groups and rotated round caving, den building and the obstacle course, and then air rifle shooting, archery and go karting. My favourite activity was archery. It was very hot and Pete our leader got out a paddling pool and a bit of tarpaulin that we turned into a slip and slide. This was my favourite part of the whole camp and it was really refreshing because it was so hot! On Sunday we did the Cresta Run and packing up. Scouts cooked breakfast each morning for everyone and we had this amazing chilli on Saturday evening. I also really enjoyed the free time we had to play games, like football and tanball, which was a game we invented, and the singing round the campfire. It was a great weekend and I think the Leaders did a really good job at organising it.

**Rory Kitching - 1st Ashwell Scout**





## 1st Ashwell Cub and Scout Camp Bradfield Park - Suffolk

The first night began with us devouring hot-dogs (almost a tradition for the Cubs and Scouts). We had free time and some of the Cubs and Scouts spotted a rather dead looking tree. Some of us lounged on a sofa like log. Later Cubs went star gazing and listened to galactic stories told by Akela. With a temperature drop at night, we escaped a stuffy and stifling sleep in the tent.

It was an early start in the morning, with pioneering. We made a wooden tripod and added a plate of sticks underneath so we could lay our washed up plates, bowls and cups to dry. Also, we were instructed how to do a clove hitch lashing!

Then some of us went caving and the key to success here was to look for chinks of light so you could follow the way to the exit, almost like a path! We did this for half an hour and this required a lot of courage. At the end I felt a sense of achievement.

Even more challenging, was the Cresta run. This also required a lot of skill. We travelled down a wooden track that had a rather bumpy looking edge that meant others flew off the edge! When going down the track in a little red cart with wheels we were advised to lean forward or you would hit your back when flying off the edge from recent travellers.

The Cresta run was probably the most fun I experienced.

There were the usual activities of course:

Rock climbing, Go carting, Den building, Air rifles, Archery, and Obstacle course.

Overall these Cub and Scout residential experiences are important because it creates happy memories and challenges us so we can discover something we might have never discovered.

**Connie Binstead - 1st Ashwell Cub**





# Mersea Sailing Week May - June 25



Rose de Roeck went down to Mersea for a visit to see the Scouts. Letchworth and Baldock District Scouts attended. Paul Tyler was there with Chris who did a sterling job on catering with her team.

The photos were taken on the Friday night at the regatta



## Awards



### Service Awards



Joni Trulock received her 10 year service certificate recently.

Times change, and Joni has now "retired" from 5th but we know where to find her!).

We wish Joni all the best in the next chapters of life, and thank her for sharing those years of fun and memories with us.



# Achievements / Awards



## Chief Scout's Acorn Award

Lucy Hampton	Ivel Springs Squirrels
Albert Jeoffroy	Ivel Springs Squirrels
Isla Wilderspin	Ivel Springs Squirrels



## Chief Scout's Bronze Award

Daniyal Islam	4th Letchworth
Jaxon Lee	4th Letchworth
Molly Nearney	4th Letchworth
Ariella Sommerville	4th Letchworth
Max Steele	4th Letchworth



## Chief Scout's Silver Award

Noah Wilderspin	11th Letchworth
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## Chief Scout's Gold Award

Maisie Humphreys	11th Letchworth
Sebastian George Jack Jagger	12th Letchworth



# Diary Dates 2025

## JULY

- 4 - 6**      **Cubs in Tents (CITS) - Well End**  
**10**        **District Beavers Bangers and Bash**  
**12**        **LEH Leaders social evening**  
**25 - 2 Aug** **Lochearnhead Expedition**

## AUGUST

- 1 - 9**        **Lochearnhead Expedition**  
**9**            **Cream Tea (Event Support Members & Trefoil Guild)**  
**16 - 23**    **County - Come to Tolmers (CCT)**

## SEPTEMBER

- 12 - 14**    **Activity Spectacular at Phasels (ASAP)**  
**20 - 21**    **Scout Team Leaders and members social camp**  
**21**        **Beavers and Cub Activity Day - Tolmers**  
**27**        **District Scout Nightjar**

## OCTOBER

- 7**            **District Scout Section programme meeting**  
**17 - 19**    **County Peak Assault**

## NOVEMBER

- 14 - 16**    **County Scouts Green Beret - Phasels Wood**

## DECEMBER



A statue of Robert Baden-Powell, founder of Scouting, installed on the Quay in Poole harbour, Dorset on the south coast of England. The statue, erected in 2008, is a life-size bronze by sculptor David Annand.

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