

# Yellow Peril

The Salisbury and South Wilts Scout District Newsletter



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## From the District Commissioner's desk

In April 2013 I started "From The District Commissioners Desk" with "White Smoke at last!" and "I am sure that I will get some things wrong and hopefully more things right but I know that together all of us in this District we will make sure that the young people get the best Scouting experience we can possibly give them". Now here we are just over five years later and it is time for me to move on and a new District Commissioner to take over Salisbury and South Wiltshire.

I hope that I did not get to many things wrong and a few things right. What I do know is that with the support and dedication of all the volunteers in the District, no matter what role they fulfil, together we have enabled many young people to have a wonderful set of experiences through Scouting. Thank you all very much.

There is not enough space in Yellow Peril to individually thank people for the wonderful support, encouragement and guidance and friendship I have received whilst being DC but there is one person I would like to publicly thank and that is my wife Jane. She has put up with me being out many evenings, missing family events, changing meal times, taking phone calls and messages, washing uniforms, listening to my moans and groans, seeing me tied to my email account, keeping confidences and having her leg pulled on several occasions. Without her support and encouragement, the job would have been much more difficult.

I have been asked if I am giving up Scouting and the answer is "don't be daft". I will be joining the Appointments Committee, working in the Scout Shop, SAS Adult Support, helping out at Laverstock LARKS and working towards buying our own Camp Site. The County Commissioner also has a job in mind so I think my Scouting will continue.

As we move in to summer the District is getting more and more active and notifica-

tions continue to flood in. We have several youngsters working away to attend the next World Jamboree, one young Scout from the 2<sup>nd</sup> working towards going to Africa to help build Schools and Toilets, Explorer Scouts travelling to Austria and an Ex Explorer now a new leader is off to the USA to work at Camp Buffalo Bill for a few weeks. Groups, Sections, SAS and Network have plans for Camps, Outings Events and Activities, the list is endless. No matter what you have planned I hope that you and your young people enjoy yourselves.

Now we have new White Smoke. Ian Porter currently BSL at 1<sup>st</sup> Downton will be the next District Commissioner. I wish Ian all the very best of luck and I hope that he enjoys the job as much as I have.

So for the last time, enjoy your Scouting, see you around the District.

*Dave Waspe*  
District Commissioner

The next leaders' meeting will be on Monday, 3rd September 2018 starting at 8pm at DMH. Coffee served in the PJ Room from 7:30pm. 10<sup>th</sup> Salisbury to provide Prayer/Thought and Raffle please.

## From our new DC

Hello folks. My name's Ian Porter, and as David says, I'll be taking over the role of DC at the end of the month. I'm really proud to be taking over from Dave, who's done a fantastic job over the past 5 years, seeing more young people and more adults getting involved in the Scouts in Salisbury and South Wiltshire. I'm looking forward to working with you all, at this exciting time as we roll out our new brand and strategy, so that we can equip even more young people with Skills for Life, and more importantly, so that more young people can experience the FUN of being a SCOUT.

I've already visited some sections and groups over the past few weeks – thanks for welcoming me so warmly, and I hope to get out to see you all in the coming weeks and months.

You can get hold of me on 07585 180849 (before 10pm please, unless an emergency) or by email [dc.salisburyswilts@gmail.com](mailto:dc.salisburyswilts@gmail.com)

Finally, before he disappears off to Peru in search of Paddington Bear, I must express my thanks to Dave, not only for his outstanding work over the last five years, but on a personal level, for the support he's already given to me, planning visits around the district and for compiling such a comprehensive handover!

Enjoy your summer and enjoy your Scouting. I'll see you all in September (if not before) hopefully with stories of outings, camp and expeditions to tell!

*Ian Porter*



Hello everyone

The next events we have planned for Beavers are the Hike on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July and the Sleepover at the Winchester Science Centre on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September. There is also a Beaver Leaders Workshop planned for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September.

Details for the Hike have been sent out but if you

have not received them please let me know. The cost for the Hike which will be starting at 2.30p.m from Harnham Scout Hut will be £2.50 to include a BBQ. If you have not already done so please would you let me know if your Colony will be attending the Hike or not?

On the 29<sup>th</sup> of September we are planning a Sleepover at Winchester Science Centre. Beavers should arrive at the Centre by 6.30p.m. ready to take part in the Activities and be collected at 9.30a.m on Sunday the 30<sup>th</sup>. The cost of £35 also includes a Hot Drink and Biscuit before bedtime and Breakfast.

I hope you all enjoy the summer and look forward to seeing you at our September meeting.

*Graham Murrell*  
ADC Beavers



Many thanks to those attending this month's meeting.

We discussed the idea of changing from plastic to leather woggles from an environmental point of view with a limited price increase and this was agreed in principle.

Feedback from District trip to Brownsea Island has been positive. 203 young people and 50 adults travelled on 16th June and enjoyed a day exploring the Island starting in a District Grand Howl and welcome by the DC. All attending received a camp blanket and uniform badge. Uniform badges may be worn until December 2018.

Results from survey re District Camp were discussed. Overall feedback supported a camp in 28th-30th June 2019 at Cricket campsite, Itchen, Hampshire, SO31 1BH.

A provisional booking will be made and further information to follow. If your Pack is interested then please save the date and we can discuss later in year.

Further discussion about this year's Handicraft Exhibition will be in September but if you have a suggestion about ideas on themes then please let me know.

I hope you enjoy the rest of this term and planned camps but hope you also enjoy some rest too!

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ADC Cubs  
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# SCOUTS

Inter-troop Challenge. This took place on Friday 08th June at Harnham Scout Hall and was based on patrol v patrol challenges with the winner gaining a point.12 Patrols from 6 Troops, therefore nearly 60 Scouts took part. The winners were the Bourne Valley Iadmiston Falcons so well done to them.

Strategy. This was attended by the 4th Salisbury and 1st Wilton on the weekend of 22nd to 24th June at Cirencester Park. The Scouts enjoyed the event and it is well worth taking a look at next year's event. A Team from the 4th finished in 44th place and a team from Wilton finished in 51st place out of 265 teams.

The raft races take place this Sunday on the 08th July. Details have been circulated.

Have a great summer and summer camp in you are holding one. It would be good to have some short reports of your camps.

Lastly, many thanks to Dave for all the work he has put in during his time as DC and before that as assistant DC.



Good luck to Ian in his new role.

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## EXPLORERS

**Gilwell24** Eighty off to Gilwell for this annual non stop activity events at the weekend.

**Quiz and Games** Network are putting this on for all ES at DMH on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> July.

**HarnhamESU** have just returned from Evolution and were place 3rd out of 110 teams in the Evolution Hike challenge and they came 1st in the Fancy Dress - as dinosaurs!

**AlderburyESU** are off to Austria with ViperESU from Fordingbridge and **Bourne-ValleyESU** are off to Poland for Jamborees

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## Adult Training

Hello all

Our next drop in is on the 16<sup>th</sup> of July at Dennis Marsh House from 7.30p.m

The County have also organised a weekend of 1<sup>st</sup> Response Courses from the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July. There is a Refresher Course on Friday evening a Full Course during the day on Saturday and a Refresher in the evening and a Full Course on Sunday (maximum no of participants for each course 20). If you would like to apply full details can be found on the Wiltshire Scout Website

There is also a weekend of training planned for 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of November at the Wiltshire Scout Centre and a Module 38 planned for the 18<sup>th</sup> of May 2019

Please don't forget to do your GDPR training and to let us know if you apply to attend any courses especially if these are any of the new GSL training courses as these courses are paid for by the County.

Graham and Elaine Murrell  
CLTM DTA

4th Salisbury Troop at Strategy  
on the 22 - 24 JUNE



SASU will be helping at the District Scout Raft Races on Sunday 8th July, providing both hot and cold refreshments.

Some members will attend the County AGM at WSC on Wednesday 11th July at 7.30p.m.

We are invited to join other SASU members in the County for a cream tea at the Herbal Garden Restaurant at Lacock, on Tuesday 17th July, which is also the date of our next meeting when we will meet at DMH at 7.30pm to hear Rosemary Wyeth talk about life as a Country Policeman's Wife. Rosemary is a well know local researcher and author, and I'm sure this will be an interesting evening.

In August we are planning a gathering in the afternoon of 19th August in the garden at 93 Church Road, to share a cakes and a cream tea. Lets hope this fine weather will continue.

*Barbara White Service and Social Team Coordinator*



*Bourne Valley Idmiston Falcons won the Inter-troop Challenge in June*

**Lest We Forget**

Three days after a German offensive near the Marne River in the Champagne region of France meets with failure, Allied forces launch a major counterattack on July 18, 1918, ending the Second Battle of the Marne and decisively turning the tide of the war toward an Allied victory.

**Peace at the end of WW1** - Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorer Scouts and Network get involved in something to commemorate the end of WW1 in November 1918 - 100 years ago.



'EVERY ONE Remembered' and 'Thankyou' are two schemes promoted by the Royal British Legion. Have a go. Details being sent to GSL's etc.

**Scout Jumble Sale**

Raising funds for the World Scout Jamboree

Saturday, 1st September  
Idmiston Memorial Hall,  
SP4 0LB

2:30pm till 4:30pm

Sale of:- Clothes, Books, Toys and Bric-a-brac.  
Refreshments & Raffle  
Donation of items gratefully received  
Contact: Samantha Jack  
31 East Gomeldon Road,  
Gomeldon, SP4 6LA,  
Tel: 01980 611466



Or drop items off on the day of the sale at Idmiston Memorial Hall between 1pm and 2pm.

*All funds raised go to support the fundraising efforts of Eloise, Fiona and Seth, local Scouts attending the World Scout Jamboree in America in 2019*

**2019 PANTOMIME**

The next Scout Pantomime will be "Ali Baba" and will be staged next January in the Studio Theatre. Auditions will be held at Denis Marsh House on Saturday, 21 July and Sunday, 22nd July from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. on both days. All Cubs, Scouts, Explorer Scouts, Network and Leaders are welcome. Contact Sandy on 01980 625119 or [san-dra.yates123@btinternet.co](mailto:sandra.yates123@btinternet.co.uk) for any further information.



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