

# Yellow Peril

## The Salisbury and South Wilts Scout District Newsletter



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### From the District Commissioner's desk

Hi folks!

I hope that everyone has had an enjoyable summer. I've seen lots of reports of summer camps, photos of international jamborees and accounts of first nights away for some! It's great to see the wide range of activities that members of the District have been up to over the summer – it's a real testament to the hard work and dedication of leaders that our young people have these opportunities! That said, I hope that the summer has also given some opportunity for leaders to recharge their batteries, ready to start the new "Scouting year".

In the last fortnight, we have formally announced that the sections meeting under the auspices of the 14<sup>th</sup> Bemerton, as the Bemerton Heath Project, have been able to recruit enough volunteers to act as trustees to create a new Scout Group in it's own right, so the Bemerton Heath Scout Group becomes the 20<sup>th</sup> Group in the District. Thank you to all involved, both new volunteers and the leaders who've been in place for just over a year now!

As we start the new Scouting year, now is the time to take stock of the number of members we have in all sections across the District, as well as those waiting to join Scouting. GSLs have been asked to collect and send this information to me by 14<sup>th</sup> September, so please, if you haven't already, get this detail to your GSL.

We will be using some of this information to inform our new District plan, that will be drafted over the coming weeks and will be shared with the District before Christmas. This will reflect the #SkillsforLife brand and will help to ensure that we're giving as many young people the chance to build and develop these essential Skills for Life over the next five years.

The 1<sup>st</sup> All Members Webinar will be held on

11 September at 7pm. The link has been shared on the District Facebook page. This is a good chance to hear what's going on in Scouting, from Gilwell directly.

Congratulations and thank you to the leaders and supporters from the District who were presented with Chief Scout's Service Awards at the Monday meeting:

Christopher Labdon, 10<sup>th</sup> Salisbury – 10 year's service.

Barbara White, Badge Secretary and SASU – 20 year's service.

Paul Prince, former District Secretary – 30 year's service.

WANTED! I'm looking for a person or group of people to take on the responsibility of handling joining requests from members of the public. Requests to join are submitted on our own District website and the national scouts.org.uk site and need to be acknowledged and sent on to Groups/Sections. If you're interested, please give me a shout on 07585 180849 or drop me an email.

Lastly, please continue to let me know, via email [dc@salisburyscouts.org.uk](mailto:dc@salisburyscouts.org.uk) when you're planning to be away from your usual meeting place. I haven't completed a "full lap" of the District as yet, but I hope to get out to see everyone by Christmas. Please do invite me along to events, section meetings, presentation evenings etc.

Let's hope we have a sunny September!

*Ian Porter*  
District Commissioner  
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The next leaders' meeting will be on Monday, 1st October 2018 starting at 8pm at DMH. Coffee served in the PJ Room from 7:30pm. 14th Bemerton to provide Prayer/Thought and Raffle please.



Hello everyone

I hope everyone who attended the Beavers Hike and BBQ on the 14<sup>th</sup> of July enjoyed themselves. About 30 Beavers, Leaders and Helpers walked over Harnham Hill and although it was a fairly warm day all the Beavers who attended managed to keep going only getting tired at the end. I would like to thank everyone who took part in the Hike and also the Leaders who provided the drinks and BBQ at the end.

Our next two events are the Sleepover at the Winchester Science Centre on the 29<sup>th</sup> of September (I will be sending out final details to the Colonies who have confirmed that they are attending) and the Beaver Leaders Workshop on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September at Wiltshire Scout Centre. This is open to all Adults who work with Beavers and Cubs and details of how to apply have been sent out by County. If you have not received these please let me know.

Finally it has come to my notice that at least one Group in the District would appear to be accepting Beavers before they are eligible to join. Beavers should be 5 years and 9 months old before they join a Colony.

I look forward to seeing you all in October when we will be discussing future events including Christmas.

Graham Murrell  
ADC Beavers

Many thanks for all those Packs present at this month's meeting after the Summer "break"

We discussed, and agreed, on classes for our section's Handicraft exhibition and details will be sent out to all Packs in the near future.

Forthcoming District events are listed below, and further information will follow:

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2018 (Afternoon) Handicraft Exhibition, DMH

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019 (Afternoon) District Scrapheap Challenge, DMH

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2019 (Morning) County Scrapheap Challenge, WSC.

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019 (Afternoon) 5-a-side football competition, Chafyn Grove School.

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 (Afternoon) Chess Competition.

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (Afternoon) Swimming Gala, 5 Rivers Leisure Centre.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (All day) County Fun Day, St John's School, Marlborough.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (tbc) (Evening) Athletics Badge – venue tbc.

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 District Cub Camp, Cricket Campsite, SO31 1BH.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2019 (All day) Challenge Flag – venue tbc.

Please continue to forward term's programmes and details of Cubs achieving their Silver Awards to me so

that I can continue supporting you in my ADC role.

Congratulations to Matthew and Craig for taking on the Pack at Old Sarum and a call for help to Packs who need support with their Leadership teams this term.

Look forward to seeing you throughout the Autumn/Winter months!

*Jonathan Borwell*

*ADC Cubs*

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I hope everyone had a good summer break and summer camp if you held one.

Please could you send me a two line email about where you have been to camp (and what you did) during 2018 so that we can compile a list of potential campsites for new troops.

The District Raft Races were held back in July and the winners were teams from the 2nd Bulford in both the 6&7 and 8&9 age ranges. Bourne Valley Idmiston were runners up in both categories. Congratulations to both Troops.

District and County Events scheduled for 2018 & 2019

30 SEP 18 - Grose Trophy in the Coombe Bissett area - Details have been circulated.

05-07 OCT 18 - County Taster Camping Competition at the Wiltshire Scout Centre, Potterne

20-21 OCT 18 - County JOTA/JOTI at WSC, Potterne. Or we could organise our own more local event.

24 NOV 18 - District Cooking Competition at Dennis Marsh House.

24 FEB 18 - County Cooking Competition at Wiltshire Scout Centre, Potterne.

03-05 MAY 18 - County PL/APL Weekend at Wiltshire Scout Centre.

07-09 JUN 18 - County Camping Competition at Wiltshire County Scout Centre, Potterne.

Finally we need to set our District Events for 2019, so please bring ideas and potential dates to the next meeting. It is a good opportunity to ask your Scouts what events they would like us to put on.

Mark Warner  
ADC Scouts

# EXPLORERS

**DofE** following interest from two units planning is to start on DofE sessions – other awards can be done. ES need to be registered with DofE before they can begin.

**Explorer Scout and Scout workshop at Potterne on 30<sup>th</sup> September.** Forms previously circulated.

**Next Year** What is your unit planning to do next summer. It's time to start thinking about it and planning the event. How about an international event abroad or in the UK; a camp somewhere over at least several nights in the UK; an event on water such as a sailing adventure or a walking/cycling trip.

**Midwinter Expedition.** Forms are out now. Ideal for those that like walking and good training for DofE

**Christmas** – suggestion made as a District Christmas event that all units visit the pantomime at Salisbury Playhouse on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2018. This year it is Beauty and The Beast. Units to make their own bookings and suggest it is done early to avoid disappointment.

John Wyeth DESC

# Adult Training

Hello all

There is a weekend of training planned for the 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. Details of how to apply for the November Courses should have been received by all Leaders but if you have not had these please let me know.

Please don't forget to do your GDPR training and ongoing Safety and Safeguarding (Safety and Safeguarding Training should also be done by SASU members) and to let us have copies of your certificates. Please would you also let us know if you apply to attend any courses especially if these are any of the new GSL training courses (there are still some GSL's who have not done this) as these courses are paid for by the County.

If you have any problems with any training (especially the Safety and Safeguarding) please let us know.

Graham and Elaine Murrell  
CLTM DTA



Raft Race Winner Year 6 & 7 Trophy



Raft Race Winner Year 8 & 9 Trophy



AlderburyESU at Home2018 Austria



'BourneValleyESU at Gdansk2018'



Unfortunately the planned Harvest Supper has been postponed and there will now be a SASU District Supper on Saturday 27th October at DMH. Bookings to go through Deana, cost will be £12.00 per head. All are welcome.

Meanwhile SASU members have been to the Races, will be helping with workshops at the Wiltshire Scout Centre, and preparing for the Grose Trophy on Sunday 30th September. Please speak to Mick Chalke if you can run a base or help on the day.

On the 4th October there will be a the showing of a DVD tour into Salisbury at DMH starting at 7.30pm.

*Barbara White  
Service and Social Team  
Coordinator*



Scout Raft Races 2018



## Thanks from the Bourne Valley ES Unit

The Scout Jumble Sale held on Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> September raised £540 for Seth, Eloise and Fiona to help toward the cost of attending the World Scout Jamboree in America in 2019.

A **BIG THANK YOU** goes to everyone for your support in advertising the event and the donations of items which were very much appreciated

*Samantha Jacks  
AVSL*



**September 1918** - various battles continue or start afresh. Numerous advances by allied forces.

Austrian Government send Note to President Wilson suggesting an "unofficial" peace Conference.

German Government make definite peace offer to Belgium.

Armistice between Bulgaria and Allied Powers signed.

At last after four years the war is coming to an end.

Can your Group, Section, Unit do something to mark the final armistice in November?

*John Wyeth*

## Christmas Post 2018

Stamps available at 1st Octobers meeting. The last day of posting this year is Friday 7th December. Price of stamps has increased to 30p. The additional 5p is to go to Camp Site Quest.

Please advise of locations where stamps can be purchased and cards posted for web site. Any queries or improvement suggestions please let me know. I have had some suggestions about delivery area boundaries. Any thoughts please discuss with other group involved and let me know.

*John Wyeth*

## DMH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Time is running out as, I will be standing down at the end of the year and we need to find a replacement Chairman for the DMH Management Committee.

Please help as I would like to have time to hand over properly to my replacement. The Chairman role is not too time consuming as I have delegated several of the tasks I used to do, so please try your best to come up with someone to ensure DMH is maintained at the current high standard.

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