



Yellow Peril

The Salisbury and South Wilts Scout District Newsletter

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From the District Commissioner's desk

Hello!

As we near Christmas, and what a busy term of Scouting it's been.

As I write this, I have seen across social media that today is International Volunteers Day. A day spent recognising volunteers. It's apt that this week I had the enormous pleasure of recognising the service of one of our amazing volunteers in Salisbury & South Wilts.



The Silver Wolf is the unrestricted gift of the Chief Scout and is only awarded for service of a most exceptional nature, and it's absolutely fantastic

that the Chief Scout has bestowed this honour upon Rachel Squire MBE, Training Advisor, Group Supporter and District Scout Active Support Member, as well as former Group Scout Leader at 23rd Salisbury. Thank you Rachel for all you've done for Scouting!

In the Scouts, we're pleased to be able to offer young people opportunities – opportunities to learn new skills, opportunities to visit new places and see new things, opportunities to meet new people. Sometimes, it's about opportunities to try something new, sometimes it's about trying something and not succeeding.

One of the essential Skills for Life that we offer is that of resilience - the ability to try something new, to not succeed and to pick oneself up and try again. As leaders and supporters of Scouting, it's important that we give opportunities

for our young people to build their resilience – but it's also important for us to be resilient as well, both in Scouting, but generally in life too!

With Christmas coming, and hopefully this will mean time off, time with families or loved ones or friends, take some time to recharge those batteries, to reflect and build that resilience.

Wishing you all the very best,

Ian Porter

District Commissioner

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The next leaders' meeting will be on Monday, 6th January 2020 starting at 8pm at DMH. Coffee served in the PJ Room from 7:30pm. SASU to provide Prayer/Thought and Raffle please

Grow Your Group Workshops

The Grow Your Group Workshops are a fab opportunity to gain some new ideas and get some new resources to help you and your group.

25 Jan, 29 Feb & 28 March
1st Wilton Scout HQ

More info & register at:

salisburyscouts.org.uk/article-grow_your_group_workshops

Bourne Valley Idmiston

Winners of the Scout Cooking Competition





A good number of Colonies were represented at the December Meeting where we picked up a few tips on 'Growing Your Group' from members of the Regional Services Team. If you were there and members from your other sections were not, then please do encourage them to engage with the workshop sessions in the New Year. Successful groups can perhaps support those that are struggling.

Thank you to those experienced Beaver Leaders who have stepped in over the last few weeks to help 6th Salisbury. It has been much appreciated and perhaps is something we can do for other Groups in the future.

The venue for the Beaver Event on February 8th has been confirmed and the deposit paid. If your Colony did not express an interest it is still possible for them to take part. We will ask for confirmed numbers by January 20th 2019. The necessary details for your Beavers and their parents will be sent by e mail to Colony Leaders before the January Scouters' Meeting and final details will be discussed at that meeting. Thank you to those who have already offered Bases.

Finally, thank you to all the adults in the Section who have helped this year to introduce so many young people to Skills for Life

We wish you a very happy Christmas and hope you can find a little time to rest.

Olwen and Rachel
Adult Support Unit.



No formal entry for this month other than to wish all a Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year.

Best wishes

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Grose Trophy 27th September 2020

The Grose Trophy was instigated by Lt Col Grose and the first competition was held in 1930. The competition has been held on most years since and next year marks the 90th anniversary of the initial competition. How are we going to celebrate this? A little Project - Could we find out anything about Lt Col Grose and any reports of previous competitions (maybe a newspaper search in the reference library?) This could tick off things for the local knowledge badge.

District Cooking Competition 23 November 2019

This was held at Dennis Marsh House. Seven teams from six Troops took part. Congratulations to Bourne Valley Idmiston who won the competition and 3rd Salisbury Swifts who finished as runners up. Both teams now go on to compete in the county competition. Many thanks to SASU

for running the event. The results were as follows:

1st Bourne Valley Idmiston	259
2nd 3rd Salisbury Swifts	231
3rd 1st Wilton	228
3rd 3rd Salisbury Kingfishers	228
5th 8th Salisbury	227
6th 6th Salisbury Air Scouts	215
7th 4th Salisbury (Harnham)	202

District / County Events

January 2020: The Cube - Bob has confirmed that he and his team will run this 31st January 2020.

February 2020: Bake Off - Ben Kinsey has a venue so we just need to confirm the date.

23rd February 2020 - County Cooking Competition

March: District Archery & Shooting - Harnham Scout Hall has been booked for Saturday 21st March 2020. Can I have availability for the shooting and archery instructors please?

1st - 3rd May 2020 - County PL's weekend

May: District Camp - Target date 15 - 17 May 2020 - With a survival aspect - From Richard Pearce: Ok the date is open to negotiation mid may. Based on your words below I will try to book Harrys island. It was also suggested that we run an Olympic themed camp or day. Can we run two

camps in one year? Would have to be September 2020. Maybe at Moyles Court School?

**Jamboree on the Trail
09 May 2020**



June: Kart Races - Jon Burton has been in contact with the owner of Old Sarum Airfield who will not confirm a date at the present time.

3rd - 5th July 2020 - County Camping Competition

5 July 2020: Raft Races

**27th September 2020
Grose Trophy**

**21st November 2020:
Cooking Competition**

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Mark Warner



1st Wilton

Joint thirds



3rd Kingfishers



Runners up
3rd Salisbury Swifts

EXPLORERS*

Will Halsey, StratfordESU has gained his Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver.

Grow Your Own workshops being held, 25th January, 29th February and 28th March next. All are invited and are being held at Wilton Scout HQ 08.30am to 1pm on those days.

Intercamp2020 - we have booked our spot and have fourteen ES attending. Others can be added so keep promoting it.

Wings2020 - we have some going so far and have to register further by 14th December. We have sufficient leaders going so you do not have to, unless you wish. However we should be able to add more but please promote this soonest.

Young Leader Training. Eleven ES recently completed Module A. Module C is on 17th December. An offer has been made that a session can be put on at your ESU meetings which will cover Module F - Making Scouting Accessible. Not only will it be useful to any YL you

have but all would benefit in relation to understanding additional needs.

Seasons Greetings

*John Wyeth
DESC*



SASU members led the Scout cooking competition being entranced by the variations in the skills demonstrated by the Scouts. Competition was very close, comments and marks awarded will be distributed by the ADC scouts. This year's winner Bourne Valley Idmiston Scouts.

December starts with the preparation and sorting of the Scout Post where many hands help to make this ever growing task run well, raising funds for Groups, the District and the Camp Site Quest. SASU and the Quest team have entered a Scouting themed tree in the St Thomas's Church festival this week. Scout Shop has a number of sale items to add to the camp funds.

There is a County SASU Cream tea in Marlborough at St Peter's Church on the afternoon of Tuesday 10th December, and a Peace light service at WSC at 11.00 on Monday 16th December followed by a light

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lunch. Please book these to help with catering.

There is a County Dinner planned for The Horse-shoe Inn, near Marlborough on Saturday 25th January and our After Christmas meal has been arranged by Ross Walker for Sunday 26th January at The Earl Normanton, Idmiston. Details have been circulated.

The date for our first meeting in 2020 has yet to be finalised, but will be available shortly.

Season's greetings to Everyone.

Barbara White
Service and Social Team
Coordinator



Camp Site Quest

What a month for fund-raising. The Barn Dance made a profit of £600. John Say from tRAIL-Blazers presented us with a cheque for £1900 raised from sponsorship for a hike. The SASU Skittle evening raised £10. 23rd Salisbury raised £1040 bag pack-

ing at Waitrose. Dan Bailey donated £60 profit from honey sales and just as I was writing this JCM Fencing donated £300.

This brings our total raised to £41,717.91p. Thanks to everyone who has helped us get nearer our goal of owning our own Camp Site.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all the camp Site Quest team.

Dave Waspe

Adult Training

Hello all

There are still places available on the Managers and Supporters Training (Going for Growth and Meeting the Challenge) on Saturday and Sunday the 25th and 26th of January 2020 and on Module 38 (Skills for Residential Experience) on the 15th, 16th and 17th of May 2020 being held at the Wiltshire Scout Centre. Details of these and how to apply can be found on the Wiltshire Scout website

County are also planning another weekend of training on the 14th and 15th of March and we will let you have details of this and any courses we are planning in Salisbury as soon as they are available

Graham and Elaine Murrell
CLTM DTA

Adult Support Unit

The unit has been very busy over the past few months. As well as planning emergency programme support boxes members have been helping out with sections in many different ways to enable Scouting to continue through challenging times.

Thank you to all those who have stepped up and used their skills, ideas and energy in this way. I do hope that the period will be an opportunity for calm before we start again!

We offer sincere and well-deserved congratulations to one of our members, Rachel Squire who has been awarded the Silver Wolf.

With best wishes for Christmas and the year ahead.

Olwen
Adult Support Coordinator.

Scout Pantomime

Pantomime Time with the Scouts and Guides performing a new script 'Wind in the Willows'.

Do come and join us in the Studio Theatre on 16/17 or 18 January and encourage their enthusiasm.

Tickets £5 are available from Sandy 01980 625119 or Sue 01722 334715.

Hope to see you there,
Sue Knight



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