

Hello! Summer has passed

Have you told everyone what a great summer you've had? How was your Big Adventure? We hope that those Groups who have held family camps have got more adults to help as a result. The County Press article on gaps in our teams will help to focus the County Team on promoting more adults to join local groups.

As a starter, the Big Day Out will be upon us on 11th October and the Mobile Display Unit will be there. The National team will be visiting us on the 3rd October to pass on tips and ideas to increase our adult membership. If you would like to join in with this training and then put it into practise at Big Day Out, ring Paul for more details.

Rotary Club Shoebox Appeal

There were over 3000 shoe boxes sent by Island Rotary to Romania last Christmas. Sue Denham of Vectis Sunrise Rotary Club would like any Isle of Wight Scout Group interested in helping the appeal to support disadvantaged children from Montenegro, Tanzania and Romania to contact her at pauldenham110@btinternet or phone 528627.

She will then send your group the necessary leaflets to take part. The boxes need to be ready by 31st October so please get in touch ASAP if you are interested. And don't forget that this can go towards Global and Community Challenges.

Scoutabout Team

We're looking for someone else to join the team and help create the next newsletter. Are you up for it?

Or perhaps you've got some good Big Adventure pictures, stories or gossip! Contact Paul with your ideas.

New Child Protection Regulations

The Independent Safeguarding Authority, ISA, has been working on new procedures to protect young people.

The media has suggested that parents who make arrangements with their neighbours to drive children to Scout meetings will need to register with the scheme. This is not true.

The facts are:

- Currently there is no change from the system we operate where all adults who work on behalf of the Movement and have unsupervised access to youth Members need to complete a CRB check and hold a disclosure certificate.
- Registration will take place from July 2010 for new volunteers. At this stage it is anticipated that existing adults will have 5 years to register.
- If a parent or other adult has regular contact with our youth Members they will need to be registered with the scheme.
- The ISA has defined what this type of contact means. Specifically it is:
 - more than once a month
 - 3 or more occasions in a 30 day period
 - Overnight (between 02.00 and 06.00)
- Parents who make informal private arrangements with their friends and neighbours to take their children to Scout meetings in their own cars are specifically excluded from this scheme.
- This ISA registration process will be free for volunteers. It is likely that the new registration process will be very similar to the current CRB process of obtaining a criminal records disclosure.

Scouting is working with the ISA to implement this scheme over the next 18 months. More information in 2010.

Footnote from Anthony Roberts, CC:

In the recent list of Missing CRBs, " ... we are the second worst County for this problem. Please would all GSLs and Scouters look at their Leaders, Helpers etc and make sure that the relevant forms are completed."

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■ March 2010

1st Newchurch @ WINGS!

OUR DIARY

October 2008: We decided to go to WINGS International Camp next August.

Then: Fundraising, including Tesco bag-pack, 20p and coin collections, Calendars, Christmas Cards, Carols, Family Bonfire and Supper, Sandown Carnival, Metal collection, Group Show, School Fete, Church Fair, Parish Plan deliveries, IoW Festival, CPRE Litterpick, and we were also very lucky to get a grant from HIWC. Raised almost £3000.

Leaders arranged transport: Minibus from IoW Saturday Club for Deaf Children (donation), Van from Bartletts (generously donated).

31 July 2009: All rucksacks packed and equipment in van. All very excited!

Saturday, 1 August: The great day has arrived! Set off for Windsor on 8am ferry. Put up tents in rain!! Met NZ Guides. First meal: Bangers and Mash (we took it in turns to do cooking throughout the week). Opening Ceremony at Main Stage in evening – Secret Agent theme – Music – Lots of Lights and Lasers – Rosey fell over doing the Eye of the Tiger dance and bruised her ***** !



Sunday: Sunshine for Challenge Day – lots of fun challenges, also each team had to carry a tin of coloured water all day. WINGS Factor in evening – we did Greased Lightnin' (Liam's green tutu!)

Monday: Start of 5 days of activities – 2 zones each day. Today: Hot Air with Bucking Bronco, Bouncy Castles; then Eureka, with lots of scientific experiments and various rockets. Dinner: Went to 5th Woodley's site for Chicken Couscous, Fruit and Custard. Later: Noise Festival to celebrate Morland (our Subcamp), inventor of speaking trumpet.

Tuesday: Windsor Exploration and Challenge, with Entertainment in afternoon - drumming was brilliant. Dinner: Spaghetti Bolognese, Pineapple. Disco.



Wednesday: Water activities – Canoes, kayaks, raft building (Leah fell in!), Dragon boats, Swimming. Global Development Village in afternoon and WINGS Factor final in evening, after Turkey Curry and Strawberries. Rosey and Rhianne invited to International Banquet by American Scouts.



Thursday: Activities: Outdoor skills (Archery, Shooting, etc), then Adventure and Challenge Zone (Bungee run, Rock wall, brilliant Caving system – very muddy!) Wet evening!

Friday: Physical Zone and Craft Zone – made loads of amazing presents. Pasta dinner and Peach flan. Closing ceremony in evening plus dodgem cars and big wheel.

Saturday: Packed and said goodbye to new friends from Scotland, Nigeria, America, New Zealand and even Reading! Lunch then home to Isle of Wight – most people slept all the way!

Summary: Highly recommended – Scouts had great time and made loads of new friends – food and menus provided and did own cooking – non stop action!

Leaders' Camp

We will be holding a Leaders' Camp Friday 18th – Sunday 20th September at Corf. All Leaders are welcome for all or part of the Camp, which is self-catering. The Camp fee is £2 per person.



We hope to have water activities, shooting, archery, wood carving and craft activities, along with games, treasure hunt and challenges, not forgetting camp fires on Friday and Saturday evenings.

If you are interested please contact Geoff on geoff@gsbrown.freeserve.co.uk

Congratulations to William on his achievements



Although his home is in London, William goes to school in Ventnor at St. Catherine's School for young people with speech and learning difficulties, where he boards during term time.

Having completed his Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards at his previous school, William started his Gold DofE Award with the Newport Open Award Centre. After doing some practice on Exmoor, he did his Gold Expedition in the Peak District, and has now almost completed his Gold Award.

For his Gold Award Community Service, William went to help at 1st Wroxall. He enjoyed it so much that he was soon helping regularly at Beavers, as well as attending Leaders' meetings.

A year ago, William decided that he would like to help with the Cubs at 1st Godshill and became a Young Leader, working hard to do 8 modules of his YL training. He has completed over 240 hours of voluntary service.

William is now 18 and wants to go further. He has recently applied to take an adult appointment, planning to help at both Wroxall and Godshill.

Penny Weedon, CSL, 1st Godshill

Training Dates:

5 th Sept -	Module 10 <i>1st Response</i>
6 th Sept -	Training Access Day
6 th Sept -	Module 16 <i>Nights Away, Beaver Sleepover</i>
4 th Oct -	Module 37 <i>Advising on Adult Appointments</i>
5 th Oct -	Module 10 <i>1st Response Refresher</i>
10 th Oct -	Training Hot Topics <i>Recruitment & Retention</i>
11 th Oct -	Training Hot Topics <i>Recruitment & Retention</i>
21 st Oct -	Module 3 <i>Tools for the Job (Section Leaders)</i>
22 nd Oct -	Training Access Evening
22 nd Oct -	Module 11 <i>Administration</i>
5 th , 12 & 26 th Nov -	Module 10 <i>1st Response</i>
28 th Nov -	Training Access Day
28 th Nov -	Module 9 <i>Working with adults</i>
28 th Nov -	Module 19 <i>International</i>
1 st Dec -	Module 25 <i>Assessing Learning</i>

To book onto any of these training modules or events online, access the training diary via:

<http://www.isleofwight-scouts.org.uk/County/Training/Modules/TrainingSessions.aspx>

Alternatively you can contact Jane Fallick jane.fallick@yahoo.com or 529458

David Turner, County Training Manager.

New Appointments Process

New panel members have been trained, and more will be joining the team on the 4th October. The dates for **Appointment Advisory Committee Meetings** for the rest of 2009 are as follows:

Sept 21st	IOW Sports and Social Club, Cowes
Oct 27th	Ryde area TBC
Nov 13 th	Venue TBA
Dec 1st	Venue TBA

If you are waiting for a date and haven't heard anything, contact Paul Savill on 293481 or email gurnard2@onwight.net. We want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity of completing the Getting Started process within the 5 months allowed.

Date for your diary

28-31 May 2010 - County Scout Camp – Corf.

Training Hot Topics 2009 – Recruitment & Retention

‘Training Hot Topics’ this year is focussed on the Recruitment and Retention of both Adults and Young People. The one day course is a fun and though provoking look at the needs and wants of young people, and how Scouting can meet these needs, as well as ways to recruit more adults.

Training Hot Topics will give you the necessary tools and knowledge to help us increase membership on the Island of much needed Adults, as well as more young people. The training is taking place on the following dates:

- Sat 10th October at 1st Godshill & Rookley HQ
- Sun 11th October at 1st Newport HQ

There are still plenty of spaces left on these courses.

Training Access Sessions

Training Access Sessions continue to be successful, providing opportunities for Adults in training to have their Personal Learning Plan developed, validate modules they have completed, access e-learning modules, watch training DVD’s, and even the opportunity for one-to-one tuition.

At the same time and venue, Training Modules are also on offer – see the training diary to find out more.

New Adult Training Web pages

The Adult Training Web pages on the new County Website are now up and running. They contain information about the Adult Training Team, the way that training is delivered on the Island, and pages designed for Adult Learners, Training Advisers, Module Presenters as well as the Training Diary.

The diary pages advertise all of the planned modules and events, giving details of dates, times, venue and number of spaces left on the course. This web page will be kept up to date with the latest information regarding training courses. The web page also provides you with the ability to apply online using an electronic application form.

The new training pages can be found at the following web address:

<http://www.isleofwight-scouts.org.uk/County/Training/Overview.aspx>

Child Protection Update

Sara Greedy, Child Protection Coordinator, is running a Child Protection Update on Monday 7th December.

This informative and interactive session provides Leaders and helpers with the latest information and advice on how to implement the Young People First Guidance, as well as what to do if a child discloses abuse to you, or you suspect a potential case of abuse.

This training is open to all adults in Scouting; every Leader should update their child protection training at least every 3 years. Book a place on this training via the on-line training dairy or through Jane Fallick.

Would you like to help with the Adult Training Team?

The training team is currently supporting 152 adults who are undertaking training for their role in Scouting. In order to provide these adults with quality training opportunities and the support they deserve, we are looking for more Leaders to join our team.

There are two roles in particular that we are looking for volunteers for:

Training Advisers; these are Leaders who advise, support and assess adults undertaking their training. They help adults new to their role identify their training needs, assess their knowledge and ultimately recommend them for their Wood Badge.

Module Presenters; we are looking for more Leaders who enjoy passing on their knowledge and skills to others. Module presenters deliver training modules from the Adult Training Scheme.

There is training available for both of these roles, if you would like any more information, or would like to volunteer for one of these roles, please contact David Turner.

Earn an NVQ while doing your Adult Training

There is still the opportunity to earn an NVQ level 2 or 3 whilst completing your Adult Training. If you are interested in gaining an NVQ, or would like more information on this scheme, please contact David Turner (email: david_turner@talktalk.net or tel: 522305).

Training Achievements

Since the last edition of Wight Scoutabout the following people have completed ‘Getting Started’: Steven Bulpitt (ACSL), Cera Bulpitt (ACSL) & Emma Hill (ACSL). The following people have completed their training: Paul Steen (Adult Trainer) & Claire Steen (Adult Trainer). The Training Team would like to congratulate you all on your achievements.