5th Dartford Scouts
Leaders Meeting

Location: Lyn's house
Date: Wednesday 23rd September
Start: 8pm

Apologises(1): Maggie Lilleycrop

Attendees(15):
Peacock Beavers: Debbie Prescott
Philpott Beaver: Wendy Hurd
Leigh Cubs: John McLoughlin, Tracey Honey
Collins Subs: Ted & Hillary Essex
Burn Troop- Del Hurd, Tim Roscoe
Earley Troop- Paul Boreham, Jason O'Brien, Keith Furlong, Dave Monteith
Johnston Explorers- Vicky & Stu Watts, Dan Lilleycrop

Notes:
This was the first leaders meeting with the idea of separating leaders and executive meeting to enable it to be more manageable with a view that Leaders meeting would focus on the running of the sections where as the executive would focus on the management and trusteeship of the group and premises.
The notes and actions from the leaders meeting would be reported to the executive, where the section leader will represent their assistance and instructors.
It is planned that a leaders meeting will occur three times a year (Sept, Jan, May), unless circumstance require otherwise.

Section reports-
Philpott Beaver Colony
Leaders: Wendy Hurd (BSL), Julie Brittle (ABSL)
Occasional helpers: Del Ashley
Status: 24 boys, a number on the waiting list (in age range) as well as a register of interest (under age).
Letter has been sent out to parents request help and support.

Peacock Beaver Colony:
Leaders: Maggie Lilleycrop(BSL), Debbie Prescott (ABSL)
Occasional Helpers: none
Status: 20 boys, with a number on the register of interest.
Plans are place to request help for parents to form a rota to gain further support and help

Leigh Cub Pack:
Leaders: John McLoughlin(CSL), Tracey Honey(ACSL)

Occasional Helpers: Lyn Medcalf, and new Michelle
Status: 20 boys
Program: 5 Silver acorns, badge work being used to generate program ideas.

Collins Cub Pack:
Leaders: Ted Essex(CSL), Hillary Essex (ASL), Sarah Essex (ACSL),
Regular Helpers: Zara Austin, Tracey Gardner
Occasional Helpers: Trevor,
Boys: 28

Earley Scout Troop:
Leaders: Paul Boreham(SL), Dave Monteith(ASL), Keith Furlong(ASL), Jason O'Brien (ASL).
Occasional Helper: Julie Furlong (taking over the subs from Keith)
Boys: 33 currently plus 3 new linkers. New policy that regular attendance is required of three consecutive weeks.

Burne Scout Troop:
Leaders: Del Hurd(SL), Tim Roscoe(ASL), Jason Elliot(ASL),
Occasional Helpers: Ashley, Wendy Oliver + Parthe Dandawaite
Boys: 21 with 4 linking cubs.

Johnston Explorer Scouts:
Leader: Vicky Watts(ESL), Stu Watts(AESL), Dan Lilleycrop(AESL),
Regular Helpers: Jim Lilleycrop, Kim Watts
Boys: 19
Programme: Master at arms and climber badge, with scuba diving being planned.
AP>See if we arrange for all that passed the climbers badge can be assessed for 'Rope Leader' permit.

Guest Speaker: John Marsh – District Training Manager
All leaders are required to hold a first aid qualification.
New leaders, who have not undertaken training are required to complete modules (1) Essential Info, (3) Tools for the job, (6) Changes in Scouting.
NB> A date has been set for these on Sunday 22nd November.
Each leader wanting to book the training is required to complete the training application form and then return to John.
Subsequent training is decided with the individual training advisor and then discussed and then either sign-off or module booked.
Paul to attend module (25) 'Managing Training' on 11th October.
AP> First aid training required by most leaders, a course needs to booked within the near future.

Activities:
Birthday Parade – Lyn booking the church, suggestion that the Scouts & Explorers go to Chatham Ski slope total cost £20, need to request exec to subsidies part of the expense. Beaver & Cub party at the hall needs to look in to having an entertainer and food etc request to the exec to raise funding from £1 to £2 per head.

Bisley Camp – 16-19 October all entries been submitted, parents meeting 02Oct, practice nights Wed 7 & 14, load van 15. Need to look at the tents after scrapping several patrol tents at summer camp.

IMC – 23Oct – three scouts attending Invicta Mountain Club weekend in the Breacon's and will require suitable robust tent.

Gilwell Winter Camp – 09Jan10 Invite letters sent out to Burne, Earley and Johnston. Available for download of web site.

AoB:
Q-would it be possible to have one section payment per year instead of the current three which seems to be a bit hit or miss.

Request for further information to be submitted to the web site from all sections. Currently too much Earley stuff. Jason willing to provide overview.

Dartford Football Club visit schedule 23Jan10

Due to time, Paul requested that all sections send a copy of their program.

Meeting closed: 10:00

Next Leaders Meeting: Tuesday 19th January 2010