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PAT'S PIECE

Have you been inundated with enquiries from young people wishing to join all Sections in your Group? I am still getting a great many from all sources and I am passing these on. Do you need help dealing with them? If so perhaps you could let me know what problems you have. It would also help to know what Sections are completely full and what waiting lists are like.

The new Cub Pack at Springbank will start with the first taster session on 5th November meeting at the Springbank Resource Centre. The new Group will be known as 50th Cheltenham (Springbank) and their scarf will be half green and half yellow.

After such a sad August and September we must now move on but still keep our thoughts and prayers with Ken and family at Cranham, Barbara Lyle and family and Shelley Wright and her family.

Pat

LEADERS MEETING

I am holding a meeting for all Beaver, Cub, Scout, Explorer Scout Leaders and GSL's on Thursday 23rd October 7.30pm District HQ. This also includes Adult Helpers and Section Assistants.

The meeting is to discuss the way forward for Cheltenham District given the way it is expanding. Also Tom Harding, County Commissioner, will be presenting Chris Langham with her Medal of Merit for Outstanding Services to Scouting. If we have sufficient time we can meet in our various sections. Please make every effort to come along or at least send one member of each Section for each Group.

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS.

I know many of you with your own Headquarters have the same problem but I do need someone who could occasionally come and cut the grass at District HQ. Mike Harris has been carrying this out regularly during the summer but due to various reasons he is unable to carry on. If you feel you could take a turn please contact Pat 01242 526817 or email pat@hopes.fsnet.co.uk

A MESSAGE FROM BARBARA LYLE

Dear All in the Fellowship of Scouting,

I have been very deeply touched, almost overwhelmed, by your many kind messages of sympathy and warm tributes to Bob, for all of which I am most profoundly grateful.

You all know how very dear to Bob's heart were all the facets of the Scouting Movement. His pride in the achievements of the young people and their Leaders was very real - and that embraced Groups, District and County alike, even extending up to Cheshire where he sailed and joined in with Nigel's camp, still in the capacity of 'Boss'.

It was very moving to have so many of you in uniform at the Service and the Guard of Honour a compliment which Bob would not have anticipated.

Thank you all for your support and please do not take amiss this printed token of my personal gratitude and that of my family.

Affectionately
Barbara.

TRAINING

As publicised in the last Flysheet **validation evenings** will be held at District HQ at 7.30pm on the following dates.

6th October, 3rd November and 8th December.

If you have attended a Training course this must be validated before marked off your personal learning programme. If you have looked at Training needs and you feel some could be validated without Training then also come along.

Training for GSL's Cranham 21st/22nd March 2009 Modules 20 - 26. If you are one of the GSL's who need this Training please contact Michael Baston Telephone/Fax 01453 884304 or email mbaston@aol.com and book your place

SCOUTS - Chief Scout's Gold Awards

Ross Evans and Sam Roberts have become the first members of Swindon Village Scouts to gain the Chief Scout's Gold Award. Well done to them both.

Chris

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The November meeting will be on **Thursday 13th** as this is the day a majority can make. Apologies to those who will have to give their apologies.

CRBs

It is now obligatory for all Leaders to have done a CRB within 5 years. We thus have **until December** this year to complete the updating - and in some cases, the first application. I will be sending to GSLs, or their designated CRB manager, a list of Leaders in their Group and enough forms to complete this process. Anyone who is not cleared will lose their Warrant, Scout membership and will no longer receive 'Scouting'

I hold two large files of CRB clearances from the past 10 years. I am about to shred all those which are pre 2004. I will send a list to Groups with the above.

Ann

FUND RAISING

Sainsburys have set aside the following dates in December for Scout Groups to carry out bag packing. 13th/14th and 20th/21st December. Contact your local Sainsburys or look on Scoutbase.

FELLOWSHIP

The next meeting will be on Thursday October 23rd at Batsford Arboretum - west on the A44 from Moreton in Marsh.

Their Web site says that the colours are now very good and they have a special Autumn Colours day on Saturday 26th, so this will be a very good day to visit. Dogs are allowed on leads. Sturdy shoes are advised.

There is a very good restaurant at the Arboretum, so if you would like to lunch there, meet at the reception at 12 noon. Otherwise meet at Reception at 13.30. Cost of entry for Senior Citizens is £5

DISTRICT DIARY

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	VENUE
October			
6 th	Training validation	19.30	District HQ
23 rd	Scout Fellowship	12.00	Batsford
23 rd	Leaders' Meeting	19.30	District HQ
November			
3 rd	Training validation	19.30	District HQ
6 th	Scout Fellowship	19.30	District HQ
13 th	District Executive	19.30	District HQ

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	VENUE
December			
8 th	Training validation	19.30	District HQ
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January 2009			
13 th	District Executive	19.30	District HQ
March			
13 th	District Executive	19.30	District HQ

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