



# NEWSLETTER

## 15TH CHELTENHAM (SHURDINGTON) SCOUT GROUP

JANUARY 2012

### HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE

The year 2011 has been a long fruitful year, with all sections from Beavers to Scouts doing so much for our young members. We hope 2012 will be just as good for all of us.

### Shurdington Website

We do have a website which carries just about all we do and hope to achieve, with news, programs, photographs and the occasional plea for help to raise funds to carry out our dreams of giving our young members the best time of their life whilst with Shurdington Scouts. Please find time to use it.

### Subscription Fees

This term's membership fee is £35 up to Easter. We have a subsidy of paying just 75% (£26.25) for a second child and 50% (£17.50) for a third.

**PLEASE PAY ON TIME AT EACH START OF TERM**

### The Social Centre

We meet regularly in term time in the Millennium Hall, but also have use of the Link Room and Century Hall a couple of weeks a month.

Both halls are available for hire for parties and functions – Call the Bookings Secretary on 07770 480272 to book.

### Beaver Section

This section, which caters for young children of 5 ¼ years to 8 years, still lacks an adult Leader. It is thankfully currently being run by Mrs Marie-Louise Slee who also looks after our Scout Troop, and some Young Leaders, namely Alice, Megan, Matt, Charlie, Melanie and Evie. Parents are also welcome to help and Sharon is already assisting with badge work. **A Parent Rota is listed on our term's programme.**

Louise's family circumstances have recently changed and if she is unable to attend Beavers for some time we will have no option but to suspend meetings until such time as a volunteer is found to take on the responsibility of Beaver Leader in uniform; ideally a couple of parents could share this responsibility. The earlier we sort this out the less

likely it is we will have to disappoint so many of our young members.

### Cubs and Scouts

Two very successful and well run Sections – more about them on the website.

### Discipline / Behavior

We make no apologies on insisting on good behaviour from all our members, irrespective of age.

Our adult uniformed Leaders Louise, Cherie, Helen, Steve, Marie, Mark and John, and the parent helpers, give up much of their time freely every week, not only on section nights, but also during the week and holidays to prepare, what I believe is, an excellent programme for your children to enjoy.

They need to be given the benefit of enjoying their time with us too. A little respect goes a long way.

### Uniform

We are a uniformed organisation, and unless stated, uniform needs to be worn at every meeting and function we organize, including Monday meetings, outings and so forth.

### Neckerchief

There is one neat way to wear our Scout Necker. Please fold several times rather than leave a large point in the back.



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**Please do report any problems concerning your child or the Group in general to GSL – see below.**  
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**HOPE YOU ALL ENJOY SCOUTING AS MUCH AS WE ALL DO**  
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