

CALENDAR

MONDAY JANUARY 11 Scout Meeting—Indoor Caving	7:00PM
MONDAY, JANUARY 18 Scout Meeting—Wide Game / Maps & Compasses	7:00PM
MONDAY, JANUARY 25 Scout Meeting—Community Badge / Maps & Compasses	7:00PM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1 Scout Meeting—TBC (Fire Brigade or Swimming)	7:00PM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 Scout Meeting—Pancake Evening	7:00PM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15 HALF TERM—NO SCOUTS	7:00PM
FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19 - SUNDAY 21 District Winter Camp - Pinsent Campsite	Weekend
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22 Scout Meeting—First Aid	7:00PM
MONDAY, MARCH 1 Throughout March we will be working on the Fitness and a part of the Outdoor Plus Challenge badge – both of these count toward the Chief Scouts Award.	
MONDAY, MARCH 8	7:00PM
MONDAY, MARCH 15	7:00PM
MONDAY, MARCH 22	7:00PM
MONDAY, MARCH 29 Archery, Stoves & Lashings, Lamps	7:00PM

SCOUTS NEWSLETTER



JANUARY 2010

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to a new term at Scouts, I hope everyone had a fantastic Christmas break and a fun New Year. The snow has fallen a bit late for a white Christmas but I hope everyone enjoyed it all the same.



We had a fantastic term last year with a lot of scouts close to obtaining their Promise Challenge award after we spent a couple of meetings working towards it. I've put some more information on the next page with some ideas of what you could do to finish the badge off.

A new year and we have a new website for the Scout Troop (address at the bottom), we will be using this to keep everyone posted on what has been happening each week plus coming events. I will be looking Scouts to get involved to post updates to the site on a weekly basis—this would count towards the Creative Challenge badge.

There are lots of exciting things coming up this term within our meetings and activities, so let's have a great term and enjoy the fun!

Skip

PROMISE CHALLENGE

After the work we put in last term, quite a few Scouts are very close to completing their Promise Challenge badge, which counts towards the Chief Scout award. Here are some ideas to finish off your Promise Challenge, or the full list of requirements can be found at www.scoutbase.org.uk.

- Explain how you have recently 'done your best' on at least three occasions and how this has made a difference.
- Successfully run a learning experience for other Scouts.
- Investigate a political or world issue, such as climate change, smoking, fair trade and explain your views to others on the subject.
- As a Scout, give freely of your time to help someone less fortunate than yourself.
- Hold the My Faith Activity Badge.
- Explain to a new Scout in your Troop the meaning of the Scout Promise and Law.

PARENTS - REQUEST FOR HELP

Want to have fun on a Monday night? Were you a Scout when you were younger? Or want a new challenge now? Come and join Scouts as a helper. We are currently actively looking for new helpers for the Scout Troop. We currently have 3 uniformed leaders and a Troop Assistant but time commitments means we can't always be there, so we do need more people to help. This will enable us to reduce the our waiting list and run a wider variety of activities on troop nights. If you are interested please give Skip a ring on 02380739899 or speak to a leader on a Monday night.

DISTRICT WINTER CAMP



Romsey District is organising a Winter Camp for the Scouts in our area at Pinsent Campsite (near Winchester) on 19th to 21st February. This camp is a fun camp which involves lots of Activities organised on the Saturday followed by the Sextant Navigation Trophy on Sunday around the local area. The cost of the camp is £25 which includes all camp fees, activities and food.

It will be on a first come first served basis so if you are interested in going to this camp then please fill in the forms that have been provided at Scouts before Christmas and return them to Skip ASAP. We already have four Scouts that signed up to attend the camp

This is the first time we will have been to this camp for a number of years and also the so the first time we have entered the Sextant Trophy for a while. Over the next couple of weeks we will be doing some work on Maps and Compasses to prepare for the Sextant Navigation Trophy. If anyone is unable to make the camp but would like to enter the trophy on the Sunday please see Skip or Paul about entry. The Sextant is done in teams so they would join the 15th North Baddesley Team.

SUBS

Subs envelopes for this term should have gone out by the time you read this— thanks to the people that have already paid their subs for this term. Please remember that if you get them in early there is a discount of £2. The subs for the term are £23 (if provided in the first two weeks) and £25 after that.

Please speak to Skip (02380 739899) if you have any issues with paying subs.