



Ripon & District News Update

June 2008

Congratulations

- to Roz Bardon and Keith Mawer for being awarded Activity Permits in connection with hill walking and mountain biking (Roz - Terrain 2; Keith - Terrain 1)
- to Laura Gibson and Adrian Burgin for achieving their Nights Away Permits
- to Stephanie Walmsley, winner of the David Burnett Award this year (runner-up: Lillian Duffield)
- to leaders who have given long service to Scouting, and who will receive their certificates in due course: Shirley Fell (20 years); Elaine Day and Ken Davill (30 years)

Thank you

- to Gillian Moorhouse, our District Secretary, for producing the first-class Annual Report which was made available at our recent District AGM;



- - to Mike and Anne Collins and Hazel MacArthur for organising a highly successful District Camp at Aldwark;
- - to a large number of leaders and supporters who were involved in all sorts of ways at Camp;
- - to all leaders and Executive members involved in this year's round of Group AGMs

Training Courses

I shall be running a "Getting Started" course for new leaders on Saturday, June 7th. Contact me for details; it's not too late to sign up for this training. The next Young Leader meeting will be

held on June 2nd

Have you thought of working towards an Activity Permit? As a District, we are now OK in terms of Nights Away, Hill Walking, Mountain Biking, and Orienteering, but we are short of leaders with permits to lead Canoeing (water-based activities in general, in fact). Please speak to me if you are interested in finding out more about Activity Permits

Reminders

Please let me have your Group programmes for the second half of the summer term as soon as possible after the start of term

All new adults coming into Scouting as prospective leaders or helpers MUST be given a Yellow Card; new Young Leaders should also be given their version of the adult card

Forthcoming Events

- Scouters' Council on June 5th in Ripon (agendas already circulated)
- County Cub camp at Pately Bridge over the weekend of June 13-15
- The Scoutathon on June 15th - do support the walk/bike/paddle activity and the BBQ in Boroughbridge which follows the event
- District Scout Fellowship BBQ on June 29th

For Information

At the District AGM on May 14th, the following were either nominated or elected to the AGM for 2008-09: Tim Jones (Chairman), Gillian Moorhouse (Secretary), Vince Kane (Treasurer), Jean Merrin, Jayne Cooper, Chris Hewitt (Masham), Steven Walmsley (Boroughbridge), Kath Addy (Badge Secretary), Shirley Fell (Appointments Chair), Sophie Bassitt (Young Person rep) + the four GSLs, Phil, and Alex as Fellowship rep. It is intended to co-opt Eric Fell and Andrew Roberts to the Exec when it next meets. Brian Hawthornthwaite was re-elected as Scouter to the County Scout Council

Visits to Groups

In June I hope to visit the Cubs at Pately Bridge and attend at least one Section meeting during the month (6th Ripon Beavers). Please let me know if you have something really interesting and exciting on offer!

Other Business

Scouting is very keen on thanking people and presenting awards, where appropriate. If there is someone in the Scout family whom you think is deserving of an award of some kind, please mention their name to me or Shirley

I shall be offering a "Module A" course (the compulsory one) to new Young Leaders some time in June. Please let me know if there are any up-and-coming, prospective Young Leaders in your Group who could benefit from the training



John

This month's pics: from District Camp