

Notes from Enfield District Scout Leaders' Meeting,
19th June 2014, outdoors at Turkey Street HQ

Present: Rob Boothby (ADC Scouts), Kim Parker (1st Enf & Dist Admin), Janette Earney (DSL & Minutes), Kay Kaur (4th Enf), James Gallagher (DSL & 6th/13th), Karen Lo, Karen Fletcher & Ali Fletcher (10th Ed), Richard Osmond (16th Enf), Sandy Rutland (20th Enf), Chris Azevado (20th Ed), Sami (23rd Enf), Roger Gleave (24th Ed & DSL), Corinne Dowsett (27th Enf, LTM & Chair)

	Item	Detail	Action
1	Welcome	Corinne Dowsett opened and chaired the meeting, which began at 8.25pm, after the whole District welcome, presentation of awards, and BBQ	
2	Apologies	Jackie Wheeler	
3	Minutes of the last meeting	Minutes approved.	
4	Matters Arising	Bank account – Subsequent to the minutes of the last meeting being circulated, it became necessary to appoint signatories for the new District Scout bank account.	
5	Health & Safety, & safeguarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No reported incidents or issues Point made that all incidents which involve assessment by a medical professional, including dentist, MUST be reported to Gilwell, even if this happens after the camp or event has ended. Always record everything in an incident book, which should be kept with your first aid kit. This is to cover yourselves. Protocol is that your GSL should phone Gilwell to make the report for you, and will help you to fill out the necessary forms. 	All
6	Past Events	<p>Football 5 a side. 23rd won, 20th Ed were runners up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9 teams entered 3 teams entered late. This causes a lot of organizational problems, so please respect the deadlines for future events Generally it was felt to be a well run tournament with good trophies, and enjoyable for the kids Next year it is suggested we spend a little money from District Scout funds on medals for everyone who enters. <p>Scout Leaders' Skills weekend at Tolmers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please could more people support this next time? It was a very enjoyable, worthwhile and informative event. Highlights on this occasion included skills swap and rafting competition. 	<p>Please ensure you sign your teams up before event deadlines</p> <p>Do join us on the next Leaders' event. The more, the merrier</p>
7	Moving Forward	<p>Wacky Games Night at 10th Ed on Fri 27th June. Jackie sent out invitations to you all to enter teams, and further reminders a few days ago</p> <p>Night Challenger 26th Sept. Start and finish at Gilwell.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scouts to meet at 6pm and do a quick tutorial on map reading to highlight who needs most help before they set off... Ali Fletcher and Peter Baxter are co-ordinating the event. Plans are underway and they will do a practise hike soon. <p>Fishing Competition 27th Sept. Gilwell.</p> <p>Youth Forum. Sometime in October – either a Saturday or Sunday, mid-morning start.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any Scout aged 13+, not limited to patrol leaders this time. We don't need to know which group they are from on the day, and they don't need to wear their uniforms. The intention is to gain valuable feedback from the young people. They may feel more comfortable at speaking freely if they don't have to say which group they are from. Suggestion was made to get an Explorer leader down to speak to the scouts, plus get some Explorers along to run an activity. 	More details to follow soon

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NOTE: In spite of considerable efforts by the District Team, it has sadly not been possible to arrange a Bouncy Castle Sleepover, as requested at last year's forum. This is due to Health & Safety reasons. We do need something wacky which we CAN deliver to them! All ideas gratefully received. 	Contact Rob with your suggestions adscouts@enfieldscouts.org
8	Training –	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corinne highlighted up and coming courses – please sign up for them. First Aid course on 29th June at Alma Road, and Safeguarding on Tues 1st July, 7.30pm at Tristram Drive If you haven't completed your Wood Badge, come along to the Training weekend at Tolmers on the second weekend of October. You do not need to stay overnight – if more convenient, you can just attend for the modules that you need. A module on Facilitating & Presenting will also be run during that weekend. This hasn't been run for 11 years and teaches valuable skills for GSLs and Section Leaders Currently trying to get all training details up to date before Compass comes online soon (migration of information from the current mms system). All young people will need to be on Compass by the end of the year. As a system, it is almost there and it is looking good If warrants need to be corrected, or somebody leaves, your GSL should contact the appointments secretary asap. If your DBS (disclosure) goes out of date, your warrant will automatically be suspended. This is a Gilwell directive. You can check your own details on the online database. Look on your own record, and look under disclosures. If you have trouble doing this, Corinne or Rob can give you the information. GSLs are alerted 3 months before a disclosure needs renewing. 	Contact Corinne training@enfieldscouts.org Current web address for adult members is members.scouts.org.uk then sign in
9	AOB	<p>Corinne noted that was sad to see that some troops were not represented at this meeting. It was generally agreed that we need more support and ideas from the troops who were not represented here tonight – particularly those from the bigger groups. A discussion followed.</p> <p>Ali – Does anyone want wood to burn, for fires? 9 x 3s and 9 x 4s – you can have all the wood you want delivered to you for free within the Enfield district!</p>	Please could each troop send along a representative to District meetings? Action: Contact Ali on 07977 146 007 or email fletcher227@yahoo.com
10	Date of the next meeting	Weds July 16 th 8pm at 10 th Edmonton HQ	Action: All

Meeting closed at 9.10pm