

## Minutes of the Scout Leader Meeting

Held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Meeting opened at 8.05pm.

Jackie Wheeler (ADC) chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone.

**Those present:** Jackie Wheeler ADC, Chris Johnson 4<sup>th</sup> Enfield, Karen Fletcher 10<sup>th</sup> Edmonton, James Gallagher 29<sup>th</sup> Enfield, Louise & Nancy 20<sup>th</sup> Edmonton, Lily 20<sup>th</sup> Enfield.

**Apologies:** Rob Boothby, Sarah Booth, Jeanette Earney, Ron Beckworth, Gordon Lloyd, Roger Gleaves, Darren Leonard, Sam Roust.

### Health and Safety

None.

### Past Events and Summer Camps

James took his Scouts to Herts young mariner's base in Cheshunt, with another Scout Group for a day on the water. The Scouts got to try out several activities, including paddle boarding and had great fun. Charge was £20 per Scout. Chris's group recently went gliding in Cambridge, with a local Scout Group. This is a fairly expensive activity to do, so if groups want to try an activity similar to this Chris has recommended trying micro gliding with the Kent County Scouts instead, which is a much cheaper option. Anymore info re this please speak to James or Chris.

The 10<sup>th</sup> Edmonton Scouts went to Bodmin in Cornwall for their summer camp this year. They stayed at the Nine Ashes Scout Camp, which is a marvellous campsite with loads of outside space and plenty of activities onsite for the Scouts to do. The staff there were fabulous too! The weather stayed fairly dry and the Scouts got to visit many historic and fun places, which included Bodmin Jail, The Wenford steam railway, Carnegie Caverns and Aqua land.

Jackie mentioned at this point that if there are any groups who do not have sufficient leaders or scouts to enable them to arrange a summer camp, then please speak to other leaders and groups within the district to see if you could pair up and get those scouts who want to, camping!

### Future Events

#### Fishing Competition

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September is the District Fishing Competition normally run by Ron Beckworth, but this year Rob Boothby will be running the event. This at The bomb hole in Gilwell Park, teams are asked to arrive by 8.45am for a 9.15am start and will aim to finish by 12pm. Please let Rob know if your Group are attending and Scout numbers by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September at the very latest!

## Wide Game

District Wide Game is on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November at Maidensbridge Scout Hut in Forty Hill. Please arrive at 7.45pm for an 8pm start and 9pm finish. This event is run by Martin Coverton, Groups wishing to attend need to advise Jackie Wheeler of numbers going by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at the latest.

## Big Splash

This event is usually run by Darren and his helpers in February and is held at the Southbury leisure Centre in Enfield. It has run every year with great success and is loved by the Scouts. Unfortunately due to other commitments Darren is no longer able to run this event, so Jackie is looking for a new captain to steer the ship! Darren has a shed full of stuff previously used for The Big Splash, we just need to have a team of volunteers to form a committee to organise, run and facilitate some ideas to get this event up and running! Anyone interested in helping out please speak to Jackie.

## Training

Due to other commitments Corinne could not make tonight's meeting, but there is a list of training courses/times and venues on the GLN website under training.

## AOB

Karen asked the question "do sections still receive the £200 payment each year from District"?

Jackie had a message from Paul to remind us that the new Enfield Website was up and running, have a look at [enfieldscouts.org](http://enfieldscouts.org). It's your website look and use it!

Jackie would also like to ask who has the fishing trophies from last year? Please let her or Rob know and ensure they are returned by the 30<sup>th</sup> November for this year's event.

Louise brought up that at a previous meeting the "Bone of Contention Challenge" was mentioned? The 18<sup>th</sup> Edmonton currently hold this trophy and the 12<sup>th</sup> Enfield were going to challenge them, is this still in the pipeline?

Chris mentioned The Chiltern 20 Challenge, his group are putting in a few teams and so are the 10<sup>th</sup> Edmonton Group, any other groups interested in this event? If so please look at the website or speak to Jackie or Karen. Date of event is Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October.

## Next Meeting

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at Tristram Drive, 7.45pm for an 8pm start. We need volunteers for chair and minutes.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.