

DERWENT GREEN

December 2017



Sunday 22nd January, 2017 -

The Cubs and Beavers went to the Panto at The Guildhall ... oh yes they did

The Watson Players always put on a superb show - the performance is an extra show that is exclusively for Derby South District Cubs and Beavers.

We had a great turn out. Many thanks to the Leaders who gave up their time to help.



On the **26th February, 2017** Leaders from our Group were invited to attend the Founder's Day Service held at Derby Cathedral; we were well represented - many thanks to those Leaders who attended.



9th April, 2017 The Group went Tubing, and on the

Swadlincote Ski Centre.

Who wants to go again? Even one or two of the adults just had to have a go. Brilliant fun, and a superb day out with all the Members across the three Sections.



Cresta Run at

~ **St George's Day** ~

Sunday 24th April 2017 at Elvaston Castle



Thank you to those who came along to Elvaston Castle, and thank you also to the parents who joined us in celebrating St George's Day. The weather was very kind, fortunately.

~ **8th and 15th May, 2017** ~ **Bedding Plant Sale and Deliveries.**



This is the Group's principal fund raising event - a concerted effort over two weekends (plus the endless hours of background preparation, of course, (which will start again in January for 2018's floral frenzy) saves Sections/Members from participating in endless weekends of sponsored 'this and that', and tapping the same family pockets!

A big thank you to those who helped with the distribution of leaflets, the café, making up orders, distributing orders etc.

This manner and level of fund raising we cannot do without you giving up your time to help us - again, 'thank you'. 2018 plant deliveries/sale is referred to later in this Newsletter.

26th to 29th May, 2017 (3 nights) : Spring Bank Camp

Cubs and Scouts

Yet another brilliant Camp, with a thanks to our Leadership Team, and Services.



great bunch of Members. Many Mr. Chairman in his role as site

The principal joint Leaders activity was potato peeling and the incorporated shower there is pictorial evidence, especially a picture of Akela with potato peelings all over him!!! Don't ask.....

Our Young Leader, Shere Khan helped on the SBC Staff - well done.

Another great weekend, tiring but certainly fun packed. Bring on 2018 SBC!!!

SBC 2018 dates are referred to later in this newsletter.

25th June, 2017 ~

Beaver Bonanza at Drum Hill



The Theme was STORYLAND with many, many activities based around Roald Dahl, J K Rowling, and Nursery Rhymes. The Beaver Scouts had a great fun filled day, lots to do and enjoy, a great experience.

26th July, 2017 Laser Quest ~

To round off the first half of the year the Cubs went to Laser Quest at Willows, and had a shoot out! The Cubs had a fantastic time, and funny enough they want to do it all again!

~ 8th to 11th September, 2017 ~

Leader's Camp



The Leaders went to camp for a few days again.

The sun did shine once/twice. The torrential rain, and extremely gusty wind, generated soaked tents and kit, and copious amounts of mud; we did even contemplate packing up after the first night, but were convinced that it couldn't get any worse!

We enjoyed a lovely meal in a nearby Restaurant on the Thursday evening, a most enjoyable session go-karting at Buxton - who won?, a pleasant day in Buxton and afternoon tea in the Book Cafe. All in all we had a superb time, and occasionally managed to forget about the mud.



~ Wednesday 25th October, 2017 ~



The joint Cub and Beaver Halloween party was great fun with apple bobbing, and all the usual games. "Great fancy dress outfits Beavers and Cubs"



~ Group Birthday weekend 4th/5th November 2017 ~



What a superb turn out - Keeo and the Leaders were very pleased.

We had a great time at Alter Rock Indoor Climbing Centre. Almost everyone had a go in the caving labyrinth, who got stuck? who lost a shoe? Most Members had a go on both the sky walk, and abseil/climbing walls. Back to HQ, dinner, and a craft session, and a sleepover - why are they called 'sleep' overs, they are 'wake overs' really!

Sunday, after breakfast, we paraded to St Thomas Chapel for our Birthday Celebration Service, presentation of awards and renewal of Promises.

The Band from the 20th Derby headed the parade, and Derbyshire Constabulary kept us safe en route - thanks also to the marshals, Mr. Chairman and parents.

Thank you also to the families who came to Church to support us. Members of the District Team also joined us, along with a 'special' friend of the Group, Ron Adamson, a former Scout, and Groups Scout Leader of the 4th, and also a former/retired President of Derby South District.

Scouts : The Stapleford Trophy was won by Swifts.

Cubs : Harold Winfield Trophy was awarded to Catherine Evans

Silver Chief Scout Awards were presented to Emma Walker and Justin Lloyd - well done.

Following the Service we had a 'cuppa', and shared birthday cake with the congregation and Minister, in the Chapel School rooms.

As always, St. Thomas' Road Methodist Chapel made us very welcome.



WHAT'S IN STORE FOR 2018 ?



Sunday 28th January, 2018

Cubs and Beavers PANTO by the Watson Players

RAPUNZLE

Again the Watson Players are putting on a special performance for Derby South District Cubs and Beavers.

£7.00pp - please see separate sheet to book a place. Payment in full by no later than 6th December, 2017



Sunday 22nd April, 2018

St George's Day at Elvaston Castle.

Further and better information will be distributed in due course, but please put this date in your diary.

7th and 14th May, 2018 - Bedding Plant Sale and Deliveries.



Group fund raising - we have to do it, and the Leaders need your support, and that of your family. The Leaders cannot achieve the level of vital and necessary fund raising on their own.

Further and better information will be provided nearer the date, but to give you advance notice we will need help with

- the distribution of the bedding plant order forms during the Easter half term break
- the 1 day sale on the 7th May -
 - the café
 - making up of orders
 - distribution of orders
 - sale of raffle tickets

more importantly we will need help with the making up and distribution of the orders on Saturday 14th May : please note that the Group does pay mileage/fuel expenses if you wish to claim.



Section Leaders already have some information; please pay your £10 deposit as soon as ever possible. Keeo needs to book by mid-January to ensure that the Group gets a place/pitch, as it is a very popular camp. Total cost £58.00 - slight increase from last year due to the ever rising cost of food.

It will be another brilliant SBC, of course.

Cubs, are you doing a play/sketch again?

Kit list and permission forms will be distributed in due course.

The theme is Medieval - ?start working on the 'fancy dress' outfit to make it a disco 'knight' to remember ... sorry!

If you wish to pay by instalments please see your Section Leader.

~ 9TH June, 2018 ~

Cubs and Scouts 'Rock' Climbing session

You've tried the indoor, here's your opportunity to try outdoor climbing.

The Climbing Team are booked - the cost is not yet known, but likely to be in the region of £10pp.

This should be a great experience ... give it a go!?

Further and better information to follow.



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.... are there any other activities planned? - we'll have to see!!



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