

18th Edmonton (Methodist) Scout Group

Leaders Meeting Minutes

21/09/2008

Held at: Theobalds Park Camping & Caravan Club Camp Site

Present: Lucy Bragg (LB), Paul Symons (PS), Sally Symons (SS), Shan Gerrard (SG) and Jeremy Bullock (JB).

1. **Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence. However it should be noted that this meeting was convened at short notice.

2. **Minutes of the last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 22/05/08 were agreed as being correct.

3. **Matters arising**

JB reported that he had attended his first training session. LB reported that she had attended the 'Balanced Programme' (module 12).

3.1 **Last meeting**

Nothing was discussed under this heading.

3.2 **To approve any actions taken on the leaders behalf since the last meeting.**

Nothing was discussed under this heading.

4. **Health and Safety**

No major incidents have been reported.

5. **Member progress**

5.1 **Beaver Scout Colony**

SG reported that there are currently 22 Beavers. Two new children are starting at the moment and there are two more on the waiting list. Four Beavers are on link to Cubs all of whom should achieve their Chief Scouts Bronze before moving on.

5.2 **Cub Scout Pack**

SS reported that there are 20 cubs in the Pack. Four Beavers are on link and two new Cubs have joined from outside. There are no Cubs due to move on to Scouts until half term. Three of the four moving then will be unlikely to achieve their Chief Scouts Silver despite Personal Challenge requirements being sent home.

5.3 **Scout Troop**

LB reported that the Troop has 22 Scouts. One is due to move to Explorers at Christmas. One Scout who has just left the Troop achieved his Chief Scouts Gold and it was agreed that, if possible, this should be presented at the Group Anniversary Service in November.

LB also reported that the Jack Petchy award winner has yet to decide how to spend the award. LB will assist her with this decision.

6. **Events**

6. 1 Lord Mayor's Show

The meeting agreed the details for this event. Meet at 9:15 am outside Bush Hill Park Station. Packed lunches and warm waterproff clothing needed, uniform to be worn with comfortable shoes. We will watch the out going procession then go to the Museum of Docklands returning in time for the fireworks on the Thames at 5pm. Return time at Bush Hill Park will be 6:30pm. Cost to be £5 per person. This is open to families and numbers are needed by 24th October.

6. 2 Anniversary Service

The meeting agreed that the theme for this service will be 'Outdoors'. PS advised leaders that readers would be needed for readings and prayers when the service details are finalised. A Beaver, or two, will lead the Beaver Promise. A Cub will lead the Cub Promise and a Scout will lead the Scout Promise including leaders and any one else who has been a Scout and wishes to renew their promise.

PS asked leaders to retrieve the five trophies (Sunflower, Best Beaver, Dave Shephard x2 and Skip Choat) by early October and to provide him with their nominations for the current year.

It was suggested that pictures of BP and the award winners be used during the service.

There were two items discussed under this heading which cannot appear here for confidentiality reasons until after the event.

6. 3 Remembrance Day Parade

There are no details for this event available yet. The meeting noted that something would happen but it was not known what.

6. 4 Pantomime

SS reported that the whole of the balcony had been booked for the evening performance, Robinson Crusoe, on 5th December at 7:30pm. Cost is £8 for children and £11 for adults. Colin and Sue Bateman are acting as our box office again this year. LB reported that she had heard that Saturday afternoon tickets were half price. SS will check this out.

6. 5 December Toy Service Parade

The December Parade Service is on 14th December at 09:30am and is the annual Toy Service. Further details on types of toys etc are not yet known.

6. 6 Church Carol Service

The meeting heard that it is probable that the Church Carol Service will be held on 21st December at 4pm but this has yet to be confirmed. This is not a parade service but members of the Group have in the past taken part in the service.

6. 7 District Fireworks Event

PS advised that the District Fireworks event will take place this year on 1st November and that he was looking for Stewards. Tickets are sold by the Enfield Groups who then keep some of the profit. We need to identify parents to sell tickets in the Raglan Junior School playground.

6. 8 Cub Sleep Over

SS reported that the Cubs are holding a sleep over in the church hall on 24th October.

6. 9 District Camps

SS reported that Enfield District are holding a Camp from 19th to 21st June 2009 at Tolmers. LB advised that a District Scout Section Camp was being planned for the 1st Bank Holiday weekend in May 2009.

7. Adult Recruitment

JB advised that he is currently following up on a possible young leader for the Troop.

SG advised that she has two possible leaders who she will speak to.

It was noted that the Cub Pack need some more help.

PS advised that his appointment card had come through. JB advised that his had not. This could be because 'Getting Started' training is not complete. PS to check.

8. Any Other Business

PS advised that most of the Sainsbury's Active Kids equipment had now arrived. The stop watches and kitchen units are still to come.

9. Executive Committee Referrals

There were no items to be referred to the Executive Committee.

10. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was set for 22nd January 2009, 8pm at 73 Lynmouth Avenue.