

**MAY 2014**



1<sup>st</sup> Barnston scouts take on the Equinox Challenge in Delamere

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# From the District Commissioner

It is again an unfortunate start to my report. This month has seen the passing of Marie Byrne who had been the Treasurer and a great supporter of 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall for some 40 years. Some of the older members of the District may remember her as well as a number of 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall people. Unfortunately I was unable to attend the funeral.

On a happier note I am pleased to announce that Andrew Ault, a past member of the District, has taken over the role of District Headquarters Manager, relieving me of one of my roles. His contact details are 051 677 0074 or 07983205411 email [aandjault@btinternet.com](mailto:aandjault@btinternet.com) - address 105 Brookdale Avenue South, Greasby CH49 1SP. I wish him a happy time. It did not start off well, for it was on the 1<sup>st</sup> April that the formal take over occurred. We met at the building to find that the electrics were off, so we had a coffee at the cafe downstairs where we could see the paperwork and talk. We then tried to get into the store, only to find that we couldn't open the lock. I understand that Andrew has now dealt with this. I hope it all goes better for him in the future.

Lots of things have been going on - one was the Cub Poster Competition which I was unable to attend as I was on holiday. I understand the competition was of a high standard and entered by most of the Groups. I am told that there were two Transport Policemen present and I believe that two leaders were handcuffed much to the amusement of the Cubs if not to the said leaders.

I returned from holiday in time for the last night of the Gang Show. What a wonderful experience and what a fantastic show. The cast were brilliant and there were a lot of them, and I guess that the Adult Support Team must be nearly as big. Congratulations to everybody involved.

The weekend of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> April was a busy weekend with the Cubs Day Out to Chester Zoo. I believe that no-one was kept behind and that no-one brought any pets home. The Cheshire Hike was also on and we had two Groups entering and two teams of explorers. Our congratulations go to Ben Williams and James Wright who finished third overall in the Junior Section. Very well done. And congratulations as well, to all the teams that took part. It is a feat in itself to finish the hike.

I would like to see more Groups entering next year so put the provisional date in your diaries -18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

I look forward to seeing you all at the AGM on the 8<sup>th</sup> May.

**Yours in Scouting,  
Brian**

### Marie Byrne 1927 – 2014

It is with great sadness this month that we have said goodbye to Marie Byrne.

Marie worked as Treasurer at 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall for over 40 years before she retired in 2001. Marie came to the group as a Mum in 1960 when her sons Paul and Peter joined the Scouts. After her children had been through the Group from Scouts to Ventures, Marie continued her appointment with the group, and every year, when the AGM came around, she would always renew her role. Much more than a treasurer and supporter, Marie would help with group fundraising, attend events and functions, helping out whenever and however she could. She helped with labelling plants at the bedding plant sale she baked cakes or washed the dishes, Marie was always there helping out in so many useful ways. As a member of the group and a parishioner at Holy Family, Marie became a much loved friend to many of us.

Some years ago there was a competition, when Beaver Scouts were first introduced, to have a banner made by the Beavers photographed in as many places as possible. Marie packed 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall's colony banner and of it went with her on her travels, Marie and the banner could be seen all around Canada that year! On returning from her trip Marie brought back a special engraved wood and metal plaque "From the Canadian Beavers to 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall Beavers" this plaque still hangs proudly in the headquarters today.

Marie received the Medal of Merit and Bar to The Medal of Merit during her time at 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall as well as receiving her long service awards from the Chief Scout. Marie was a true Scouting stalwart, a gift to 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall for so many years and will be greatly missed. Thoughts and prayers go to Marie and her family at this time from all of us at 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall and West Wirral who knew and loved her.



Marie Byrne, gone home, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2014.



By Jenny Peek, on behalf of 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall Scout Group.



MARIE BYRNE, who has served in the role of treasurer with the 3rd Heswall Scout Group for 20 years, is pictured receiving a Bar to the Medal of Merit from West Wirral District Chairman Peter White. The Bar to the Medal of Merit is one of scouting's highest awards and is made for continued outstanding service.

# A pause for thought

WIRRAL HORN MAY 2014.

Have you ever noticed, that when you have an appointment at your dentist, you never seem to go in at the time you are booked - or is it just me?

The last time I went for my six monthly "check-up" I was sitting in the waiting room not wishing to read either the fashion, how to beautify your home or other magazines, I started to read the notices on the walls. One such notice stated "*please no mobile phones allowed in the surgery.*" There is a similar notice in my G.P.'s surgery waiting area.

I am led to believe if you go to the cinema some people in the auditorium even text whilst watching a film. I do know that even in church mobile phones often ring during the service. I wonder if you have experienced other such problems with people using mobile phones and does it irritate you? Is it that not everybody knows how to behave or follow the "rules".

We all have to have some guidelines to follow and you especially have the Scouting Law and Promise. I know that you value these extremely highly! Remember it is your example that will guide young people through life and become the better citizens of tomorrow.

"May your God ever dwell in you and you shall follow His footsteps and love for ever "

**"AARON"**





### Swimming Gala

Well done to all the Packs who took part, and congratulations to

**1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston (Fletcher) (1<sup>st</sup> Place),**

**2<sup>nd</sup> West Kirby (2<sup>nd</sup> place) and**

**1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston (Reed)(3<sup>rd</sup> Place).**

See report in last months Horn for more details.

### Safety Poster Competition

Well done to all the sixes from almost every Pack in the District who submitted posters based on this years topic of Rail Safety. The judging was very difficult, however in the end congratulations to

**1st Newton (1st Place)**

**1st Thurstaston (Fletcher)(2nd Place) and**

**5th Heswall (3rd Place).**

See report in this months Horn for more details.

### District Cub Outing – Sat 5<sup>th</sup> April, Chester Zoo

Despite a later than planned start, 2 double deckers filled with cubs and Leaders from 7 Packs left the Wirral and headed off to Chester Zoo for a day packed full of looking at animals and experiencing the various sort of habitats that they live in. After one last mad rush in the gift shop, the buses travelled home with, allegedly, several of the cubs having acquired new baby pet animals. Many thanks to all the Leaders who gave up their time to take the cubs, and apologies once again for the late arrival of the buses.

### Up & Coming Events

*(probably over by the time you read this)*

**St Georges Day** - being held on 27<sup>th</sup> April, see email for more details.

*(Hopefully not over by the time you read this)*

### District Cub Skills Day / weekend – 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> May

Following many years of wonderful Skills Day, Christine has 'retired' from organising this event and



looking at new ideas. Building on previous suggestions that the Skills day could be developed as an overnight event, with Packs deciding to either camp or attend for just the day. Early days but probably around £20 per Pack for overnight stay, £10 per pack for daytime only. Teams of 6 cubs, at least 3 under 9 1/2 , at this stage 1 Team per Pack. 1st Thurstastons HQ. If you are interested please let Matty know [jonesy456@live.co.uk](mailto:jonesy456@live.co.uk)

### **Cub Camps – Spring and Autumn**

Sandiways 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Queen Charlotte Wood, 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> Sept

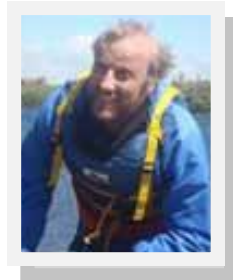
If you are interested in attending the June camp please let Sue Flush know of your interest as soon as possible.

### **Next District CSL meeting**

Next Cub Leaders District Meeting 20:30hrs, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at St Andrews HQ, namely the MACLEOD BUILDING, MUMFORD LANE, MEOLS

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## District Cub Safety Poster Competition

This year Cubs from 14 Packs took part in the District Safety Poster competition, the theme this year being Rail Safety. The tried and tested format is that every six from each of the Packs submits a poster to the 'semi finals'. The variety and range of posters submitted at this stage demonstrated not only the breadth of arty type talent we have across the District, but also the originality as well. Following a review of all the posters submitted by the various Packs, the top poster from each Pack was selected to go forward to the Final. The successful sixes were as listed below

<b>1st Newton</b>	<b>Brown Six</b>	<b>1st Thurstaston (Fletcher)</b>	<b>White Six</b>	<b>1st Barnston</b>	<b>Yellow Six</b>
<b>2nd Greasby</b>	<b>Yellow Six</b>	<b>2nd West Kirby</b>	<b>Red Six</b>	<b>3rd Heswall</b>	<b>Blue Six</b>
<b>4th Moreton</b>	<b>?? Six</b>	<b>5th Heswall</b>	<b>Brown Six</b>	<b>7th Moreton</b>	<b>Yellow Six</b>
<b>St Andrews</b>	<b>Green Six</b>	<b>1st Thurstaston (Reed)</b>	<b>Grey Six</b>	<b>Hilbre</b>	<b>Green Six</b>
<b>6th Heswall</b>	<b>White Six</b>	<b>1st West Kirby</b>	<b>Wolf Six</b>		

The Final was held at 6<sup>th</sup> Heswall's HQ, to which each successful six was invited. As part of the evening entertainment Roy and Damian from the British Transport police came along and gave a very informative session of rail safety in the North West.



It was during the presentation on rail Safety that the BTP officers noted a persistent offender within the leader team audience, and therefore took the opportunity to apprehend the offender as part of the presentation. The cubs were none the wiser, thinking that it was all part of the show, but little did they know that the handcuffs and ankle straps were really for real.

This was closely followed by the supply (and eating) of copious amounts of pizza. Whilst the food was being consumed the judging was carried out for the overall winners. Given the standard of posters the Judges, Liam O'Malley (DDC), Phil Richardson (DDC), Sue Walton (DESC), Roy and Damian had a very hard job deciding on the overall winners, but after much consideration the following posters were chosen as follows:-



1<sup>st</sup> Newton  
Winners



1st Thurstaston (Fletcher)  
Runners Up



5<sup>th</sup> Heswall  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Many thanks to the BTP for providing such an entertaining talk, and also to 6<sup>th</sup> Heswall for the loan of their HQ.



### **Scout Bowling Competition**

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March sixty six Scouts descended upon Riverside Bowl in New Brighton for the annual bowling competition. Troops from 7<sup>th</sup> Moreton, 5<sup>th</sup> Heswall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall, St Andrews, 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston, 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby & 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston took part. This year for the first time Scouts were also able to do laser quest which was not competitive & all the Scouts seemed to enjoy. As we know it is always nice to invest Scouts at events outside headquarters & St Andrews took the opportunity to invest one of their new Scouts during the event which was fantastic. Winners on the night were 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby, congratulations to you!



Winners from Frankby Greasby presented with the shield by DDCs Liam and Phill. All team photos are now available to download from our online gallery.

### **Gang Show**

Most recently many Scouts & leaders have participated in Gang Shows production Evolution 2014. It was marvellous to see the Scout section so well represented by young people & leaders who all did amazingly & put on a truly brilliant show for us! I have to say I saw a whole new side to several of our Scout Leaders! Well done to you all on your excellent performances, from cavemen to Pharaohs, weathermen to Normans & sailors to super models, you were indeed a cast of

shining stars. Congratulations to everyone involved in the production, on stage, off stage, back stage, front of house, Gang Show truly is the epitome of teamwork and it was a brilliant achievement for West Wirral.

At the time of writing many Scouts are out at Tawd Vale enjoying the adventure of the annual Great Escape Competition, reports from that next time.

If anyone has chance to pick up a copy of the free Heswall magazine, take a look at pages 28 - 29 which features our Scout Quiz Night held at 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall HQ in February. Please note winners this year were 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston, 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall won in 2013.

Next scout Leaders Meeting is WEDNESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL, 7:30pm at Hilbre HQ, Hoylake. ( Red and white clothes, flags and balloons optional!!)

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## Equinox Challenge 2014

The last Saturday in March saw over 350 scouts and explorers from across Merseyside descend on Delamere Forest for the running of the storm-delayed Equinox Challenge. This is a unique event that combines man-hunt skills with navigation skills. The idea of the challenge is for teams of 4 – 7 scouts to locate secretly hidden posts, each of which scores a mystery number of points, using simple map-reading skills. However, at the same time

there are teams of explorers hunting them down trying to steal the points they've collected. And to make things even more exciting the explorers were hunted by a team of leaders who then returned the stolen points to the scout teams. The Equinox is certainly a fast moving challenge event!

This year's challenge introduced some new innovations including a new SMS scoring system and a new set of controls spread throughout the forest in hidden locations. This year all the teams were spread out in four different starts across the forest. This meant that teams had to move quietly and quickly through the dense forest away from tracks to avoid capture by the explorer teams.

Four teams of scouts represented West Wirral this year, two from 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby and two from 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston. The day was bright and free of the winds that had postponed the event from February and all teams enjoyed the day hiding-out in the forest. After 4 hours of action the teams gathered to discover the value of the posts they had discovered and the news of the final results. The event was won by the team from 16<sup>th</sup> St Helens, with 1<sup>st</sup> Southport in second, and 25<sup>th</sup> St Helens in third. The senior team from 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston just managed to squeeze into 4<sup>th</sup> place, closely followed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby A team in 6<sup>th</sup>. The Frankby Greasby B team also came in the top half of the scoreboard in 17<sup>th</sup> place of the 59 scout teams that took part in the event. The 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston junior team, who were new to the event, struggled with the technology and finished a little further down the places.

The explorer competition was keenly contested with three teams in contention from the 30 who took part. In the end the West Wirral explorer team had to settle for 3<sup>rd</sup> place behind the two Harriers explorer teams.

A great day was had by all and our thanks go to the team from St Helen's who put on and designed this fast-paced event.

**Dave Gorman**

**1<sup>st</sup> Barnston Scout Group**



48th Cheshire Hike West Wirral Winners

## The 48<sup>th</sup> Cheshire Hike

A wet Saturday on the first weekend in April saw the beginning of the 48<sup>th</sup> Cheshire Hike. This year's hike was located in the western part of the county with starts near Malpas (Juniors), Nantwich (Inters), and Northwich (Seniors) and the finish at the Bishop's High School in Boughton, relatively near to Chester city centre. Four junior teams, five intermediate teams, and two senior teams from West Wirral entered this year's event.

The small primary school in Shocklach was full on the first day of the Easter holidays with teams of juniors, many of which were taking part in the hike for the very first time. Starts from 7.30 am to 10.00 pm saw 104 teams from troops across Cheshire and Wirral start out on the 30 km two-day event. The rain pelting down didn't dampen the spirits of the junior teams as they set off down the lanes and across the fields of West Cheshire. This year the West Wirral teams drew relatively late starts and all set off at a good pace heading for base camp. 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall entered three teams: Daniel Chetwood & Henry Ruddock; Ernie Cockram & Ben Way; Will Shaw & Will Lacey; and 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston had one team: James Wright & Ben Williams.

It was equally busy at Reaseheath College near Nantwich where 111 teams of intermediates crowded into the sports hall at the start of their 40km trek across Cheshire. The rain had also stretched across the county to dampen Nantwich too! The intermediate section drew five teams from West Wirral. 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall entered three teams: Rob Douglas & Jake Nealey; Tom Butters & John Forsdick; Dan Kitchen & Ollie King; and 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston had two teams: the all-girl team of Maya Welbourn & Kirsten Peters; and the mixed team of Rosie Hartwell & Greg Mankin.

Further north near Northwich, the 60 teams in the senior section were shouldering their packs and getting ready to face the challenge of 48km, with an option of an additional 10km if they chose, across the muddy fields and byways of Cheshire. This year just two teams of seniors took part: the team of Alex Youngson & Joe Barker from 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall; and, the team of Joe Danson & George Cain, from the explorer unit based in Heswall. The senior start suffered from some delays and it was late

morning before some of the teams set off.

The rain eased as the morning passed and by afternoon it had blown over. The challenge of the event this year pushed the teams into hiking into the early evening to reach base camp and some only just made it before it got dark. By just after 8pm all base camps reported all the teams in for the night. There were lots of aching limbs and hurting feet on the Saturday night! Sunday dawned much clearer and teams quickly struck camp and set off for Chester with the late teams in given an early start on the second day. By early afternoon the teams started arriving at the finish in Boughton, Chester, with the junior teams coming in first. The procession of teams – some in slow procession! – continued through the afternoon with the last team – a West Wirral inter team - just getting to the finish before it closed at 4.30pm. You could feel the aches and blisters mixing with the sense of relief at the finish, but these were eclipsed by the enormous sense of achievement experienced by all the teams who had successfully completed this arduous event. All the West Wirral teams completed the two-day challenged and successfully hiked to the finish in Chester. Well done to you all!

And so to the results. The DC presented the West Wirral District trophies to: Juniors – Ben Williams & James Wright; Inters – Rosie Hartwell & Greg Mankin; Seniors – George Cain & Joe Danson. Ben & James, the Junior winners narrowly missed out in the County event and Kershaw Prize (for first time hikers), finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the junior section.

I am sure there were many relieved scouts and explorers in the bath on Sunday evening! Only one little final twist: unlike scouts in many Cheshire teams who had broken for Easter and could look forward to a lie-in, the scouts and explorers in the West Wirral teams had to be up next day for school. Cruel!!!

#### ed. Dave Gorman

with contributions from scouts and explorers who took part



1st Barnston Inters set out from Reaseheath



1<sup>st</sup> Barnston Juniors set off from Shocklach

## West Wirral Scouts Orienteering



A bright St David's Day dawned and that was the cue for Jenny and some West Wirral Dave's to launch the spring programme of district scout activities with the annual orienteering championships. As usual, the event was held in Royden Park over four courses for junior, senior, U25 combined, and explorer scouts. Luckily the park had not been seriously affected by the late winter storms and the planned courses were not affected. Troops from 1<sup>st</sup> Thurstaston, St Andrew's, 5<sup>th</sup> Heswall, 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall, 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby, and 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston entered teams. The challenge of orienteering is to successfully navigate your way around a course of 'controls' using map and compass combined with micro-navigation skills in the quickest time. Meanwhile, the course planner is trying to make it as challenging as possible and testing your skills, not only in navigation but you're your concentration. This year he caught out some teams who went off too fast and forgot to check which control they should be visiting: some checked into control 2 when they should have been checking into control 3!

The courses this year were set at the BOF orienteering standards for the ages involved: yellow for juniors and U25 combined; orange for seniors and explorers. All those scouts who took part in the event can count this activity towards the orienteering activity award and elements of challenge badges such as the adventure challenge.

The weather stayed fine for the day and the event passed smoothly. Our thanks to all those who helped, especially SASU people and leaders from troops who acted as marshalls and safety cover. Well done to all scouts and explorers who took part.

The prizes were awarded as follows:

#### Juniors

1<sup>st</sup>: Thomas McPherson & James Wright, 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Henry Smith & Sam Johnson, 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby; 3<sup>rd</sup>: Tom Birtwhistle & Alastair Clift, 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby

#### U25 Combined

1<sup>st</sup>: Rowan Hughes & Simon Lawrence, 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ben Williams & Greg Mankin, 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston

#### Seniors

1<sup>st</sup>: Tom Butters & Tom Owen, 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall; 2<sup>nd</sup>: Olly King & Dan Kitchen, 4<sup>th</sup> Heswall; 3<sup>rd</sup>: Nick Durham & Ben Perez-Hughes, St Andrew's & 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby

#### Explorers

1<sup>st</sup>: Corrina Friel & Charlotte Dawson; 2<sup>nd</sup>: George Cain & Sam Prescott; 3<sup>rd</sup>: George Lawless

We look forward to seeing you all on our autumn event and don't forget to get out and practice your navigation skills over the summer!

### Dave Blackwood & Dave Gorman

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Frankby Greasby & 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston



#### West Wirral Beach Clean

A breezy and bright March Sunday saw 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston Cubs and Scouts join members of Mid-Wirral Rotary for their annual spring beach clean. The clean is a pincer sweep of the beach, high tide line, and marsh between Caldys and Heswall Banks Road, with one team working south and the other working north, hopefully meeting somewhere near Thurstaston. The wind was a continual nuisance this Sunday morning, whipping up much of the rubbish, and the frequent hail storms caused us to dash for cover

at times. However, just on lunch time the job was done and a dozen and more large bin bags full of rubbish were neatly stacked for the rangers to pick up later. And what sort of things did we find? Lots of plastic, especially bottles and wrappers! Paper, rope, beer bottles, a hacksaw, matting, vinyl, and lots of rubber, to name just a few items. It's not just people dropping these items, many are washed up on the tide line as the tide sweeps into Liverpool Bay. Plastic is made to last, so it decays only very slowly in the oceans, breaking down into ever smaller fragments, and affecting wildlife. It takes so long to decay, we don't know what the long term effects will be of our dumping it in the sea. Every little bit we can do helps towards preserving the seas and beaches for our young people in the future.

1<sup>st</sup> Barnston Cubs



### **Scouts target shooting for DofE Skills**

I currently do some of my explorer scouting as a Young Leader at 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston Cubs, which I also use towards the Volunteering section of my DofE Bronze Award work. I have also signed up to do the DofE Skills section too through scouting by joining in the air rifle shooting that 1<sup>st</sup> Barnston scouts run. The scouts do shooting, every Friday, every two weeks, at 3<sup>rd</sup> Heswall's hut in Pensby. On weeks in between I read up on shooting sports and practice my balance, concentration, and reaction skills. The instructors teach you how to shoot accurately and safely. The scouts shoot using .177 air rifles. The junior scouts shoot SMK rifles and the senior scouts and I shoot using the larger Edgar Brothers rifles.

We shoot at the Olympic distance of 10m on NSRA

Air 4 targets, which are pistol targets, but rifle targets for juniors. Sometimes we shoot at Air 3 targets where the Bull is only 1mm diameter. That is really small at 10 metres.

We start learning to shoot by doing bench shooting so that we can practice aiming without having to worry about the weight of the rifles, before we move on to standing. When you get experienced at shooting standing up, the instructors will teach you how to shoot in the other positions of prone and kneeling. To complete my Skills Award work I will have to learn to shoot 60 shots in a timed session and achieve a NSRA youth proficiency score as well as know facts about the sport and safety. At the moment I am also learning how to be a Range Assistant for when the scouts do shooting. This job involves sorting out the shooting order of scouts, counting pellets, selecting and changing targets and scoring targets.

Target shooting teaches you to be careful and safe and to respect and follow the rules. It's also great fun!

**Jack Bell, Range Assistant**

**West Wirral Explorers**



# The Activity Centre Number Club Draw

The draw has taken place and the winners are:-

APRIL

1st Anne Cross

2nd Mavis White

3rd Beryl Barrington

4th Dave Reid

Their cheques are in the post

**Congratulations**

So have you got your numbers yet?

If you don't have your numbers yet contact

**Christine Kenyon**

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West Wirral District Scout Council  
Invites

**All West Wirral Uniformed members, All Non Uniformed Members, All West  
Wirral Committee members, District Officials, Friends and Readers of the  
Wirral Horn**

To the

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
At Heswall Hall

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2014

**Doors Open at 7.15pm      Prompt start at 7.30pm**

The AGM will be followed by an Open Reception and refreshments

**\*\* Please note that individual invites will not be issued \*\***

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# Dates for your Diary

2013

May

8	DISTRICT AGM	Heswall Hall	19.15
10	Articles to the Editor for next Newsletter		
10/11	Cub Skills Day	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurstaston	
17	Beaver Day Out	Gullivers World	

June

7	1 <sup>st</sup> Thurstaston's AGM		
13/15	Cub Camp	Sandiways	
17	GSL's meeting	DHQ	20.00
21	2 <sup>nd</sup> West Kirby's 70th anniversary AGM		
28	Beaver Sports Day	TBA	

July

7	GSL Support Event		
16	ADC's meeting	DHQ	20.00
24	District Executive	DHQ	19.45

August

September

10	ADC's meeting	DHQ	20.00
17	District Executive	DHQ	19.45
26/28	Cub Camp	Sandiway	

October

4/5	Geoffrey Beavan	Sandiway	
22	GSL's meeting	DHQ	20.00

November

17	GS Support Event		
19	ADC's meeting	DHQ	20.00

Please remember copy deadline for the next newsletter is 10th May 2014

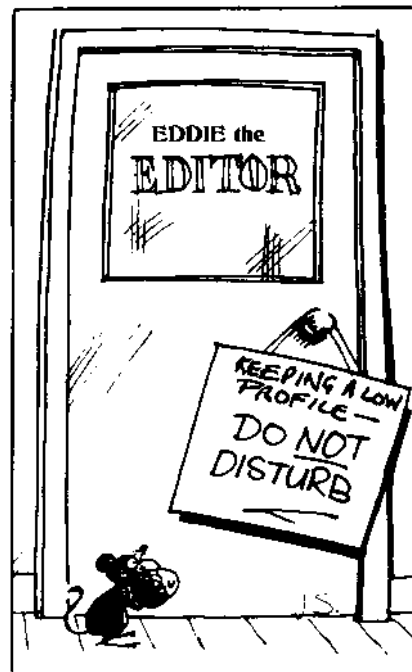
# The Editor's Bit.

Thank you to 1st Barnston and 1st Frankby Greasby for their articles and photographs. Without their contributions the Newsletter would have been a rather sparse affair this month.

Quite a lot has been going on in the District, what with the Cheshire Hike and West Wirral Scouts Orienteering and yet only a couple of groups have taken the trouble to send a report for the Wirral Horn.

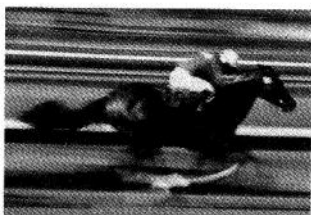
We all look forward to St. George's Day Parade & services and to the forthcoming District AGM in May.

**Eddie.**



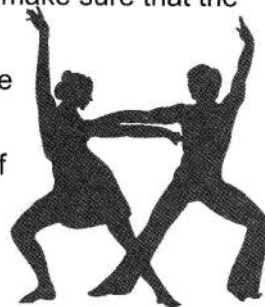
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