



West Wirral Horn



The Newsletter of West Wirral Scouts

NOVEMBER 2016

So . . .

What's been happening in West Wirral this month?



Beavers County Day
at Gullivers World



Scouts – Hikes Away –
Staged Activity Award

**Don't forget the
New Challenge ???**



'100 Years of Cubs'
District Camp

**1FG Cubs - Our
World & More**



6th Heswall
Scout Expedition
by William
Betteridge



Happy Reading

From the District Commissioner

Well it has been busy at the end of September.

I visited the **Cubs at Queen Charlotte Wood** for their 100 years celebration camp. There were some fantastic bases, I quiet liked the tea making and biscuit dunking and the traditional old style trolleys. It was nice to see all the groups that attended

The first weekend in October it was over to Tawd Vale for the **Beavan Challenge Weekend**, with a new venue and new challenges, well attended too, please see the report later on.

As if that wasn't enough, Caroline and I then visited the **Feast of Lanterns** on the 8th of October again at Tawd Vale. I've never been before and was amazed at the size and the ideas that the groups had come up with everything from a bar to the mountain of doom in The Lord of the Rings. Congratulations and very well done to Overchurch Upton for winning their class.

We've had positive feedback from our **Road Shows for the Scouts trip to Belgium** with 2 well attended nights by parents and Scouts and at time of writing a number of applicants.

As a District we were invited to Hilbre's AGM and I had a first by investing two Beavers. That only leaves 1 AGM to go. Can I ask all Groups to send dates to Ann Ledson as soon as possible so we can get next year's onto the diary.

Can I ask that if you have an event and would like one of the District Team to come and visit or support, just drop us a line and ask for it to go on the District Web Page.

The nights are well and truly drawing in now, so if you are out on a meeting night please make sure you are visible and well wrapped up.

I am pleased with the responses we have had via our web page re people asking to join Scouting, so make sure you all to continue to respond quickly so we can provide more young people with scouting.

As this is the last Wirral Horn before Christmas..... no I am not going to do that yet just wish you well in the Scout Post

Phill



*****WE NEED YOUR HELP*****

We have for some time known that District Headquarters is not really fit for purpose and our thoughts have been brought to a head because we have not had a new lease and while that means we have not had a rent increase this now leaves us in a difficult position.

We set up a sub-committee to look into this but they have reiterated that we need to look for a new headquarters. As you can imagine finding one that meets the requirements that we need is not an easy process. We need a building that will give us meeting rooms, storage space and that will be big enough to run the West Wirral Post sorting office and store all their equipment. We also need car parking space.

With more brains and eyes, the better our chances of finding somewhere so if everyone can keep their eyes and ears to the ground we may just be lucky.

If anyone has any ideas or suggestions please contact Phill.

Brian Tucker
District Chairman

Beavan Challenge 2016

Well this year brought a change of venue and a new event!

Beavan Challenge 2016 took place at Tawd Vale over the weekend of the 30th September till 2 October with 35 teams entered. The new venue meant a few changes, one being that we couldn't run the bikes due to the extreme wet conditions but in true scouting style this created the idea of a new event the Muddy Funster. This year saw 16 Groups take part in a 7 way challenge weekend.

The Saturday started bright with the Junior teams out on their Hike and the Explorers and Seniors off doing the mix of ingenuity, shooting, archery, open boat challenge and the muddy funster. The ingenuity involved blind folds mud flower crawling and raising a Flag at the end - requiring team work and encouragement.

The boating involved trawling the water for floating wood and occasionally some treats. The muddy funster!!! Well what can I say? It was definitely muddy and wet and Tawd has inherited a number of extra shoes and boots lost in the mud as a result.

I have to say the look on the young people's faces was a picture when they crossed the finishing line. The afternoon was swapped around. I hear you say where was the First Aid? So did some of the Groups, and this event was added to the end of the hike. Hannah played a very convincing knife injury.

The events were all finished on a lovely Sunday morning allowing the groups to strike camp in plenty of time for the presentations.

The Challenge Results were as follows:

Team Spirit

48th Southport Air Scouts

Juniors

1st Newton

Seniors

2nd West Kirby Sea Scouts

Explorers

5th Heswall Young Leaders

Congratulations to all the above teams and also to all the teams that entered and we hope we'll see you all again next year.

Phill

A Thought From Aaron

One of my colleagues has just returned from a holiday in Italy and was showing me the photographs he had taken with great gusto. He's usually very enthusiastic in recalling everything he's seen and done whilst abroad. He then described a visit that he had taken into a mountainous region a little off the "beaten track", not a place where tourists would normally spend their day. He recalled turning a bend in the path and completely unexpected being literally 100 metres from a small monastery. As he ventured nearer he was aware of an elderly white-haired monk sitting on what he described as a small rough wooden bench enjoying the sunshine. The monk appeared to be genuinely delighted to see this total stranger as a beaming smile spread across his face. Knowing my colleague as I do I know his Italian is extremely limited but he was shocked to discover that the monk spoke English extremely well. The elderly monk offered to show him around the monastery. He did mention they might not see many of his fellow Brothers around except those who were working in the gardens.

I smiled as my colleague told me all about the tour led by the elderly monk and the fact that he was shown every window, every door, every statue. In fact there was nothing the enthusiastic monk left out and there was always a story involved in why that was there and who put it there. After three hours my friend said he was exhausted and had wished that the tour would end. He groaned silently as the monk said that he must show him where all the power comes from in the monastery. Thinking he was going to visit the boiler house or the generator room; he was humbled as they entered a small chapel to find some of the Brothers silently at prayer, some leaving as others came in.

I am aware that your Scouting power comes from the companionship of your fellow leaders as you all have the privilege and joy of serving one another for the benefit of young people in your care.

"May you God grant to you through His love all the power you need to sustain your daily life."

AARON



Editor's Patch

Well we have another selection of brilliant stories and news from around the District this month and I'd like to say a huge thanks to those groups who've kept sending me their articles to share with you.

We're fast approaching Christmas and the end of another Scouting year and soon you'll all be getting ready to start this year's Christmas Post.

I've no doubt the sections will have their Christmas Services and Festivities and I look forward to hearing all about them in our next Wirral Horn.

It's been lovely having your support in helping me put together an interesting and varied read for the District and I hope this will continue into the new year.

It would be great to hear something from all groups within the District, no matter how small, feel free to send me whatever news you may have and share your experiences with the District.

Quick Reminder – as usual the deadline for Wirral Horn submissions is always the 10th of every month.

Yours in Scouting

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On Saturday the 24th September 7 Beaver Colonies attended the County day out to Gullivers World in Warrington, to celebrate 30 years of Beaver Scouts.



We left the Red Cat at 9:10am and arrived at Gullivers an hour later and met up with the other Beaver Colonies from around the County. We all enjoyed a fun filled and packed day; having a go on various rides and activities.



Here are some of the rides they enjoyed:- Runaway mine carts, Tea cups, Galleon ship, Dodgems, Adventure canyon and the Log flume, these are just a few. Not forgetting the inevitable gift shop visit. We left for home at 4:40 and arrived back at the Red Cat at 5:40, 2 Beavers fell asleep on the way home. A good day was had by all.



Our next District event is the Christmas Craft day on Saturday 12th November at St Chad's Church Hall in Irby

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ADC Beavers

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It's been a busy month for the Cubs!



We've had a busy time since the last Wirral Horn so here are some of the highlights:-



District Cub Camp was at Queen Charlotte Wood and it was really well attended. A fantastic time was had by all (Cubs and leaders). The activity bases were great and the noise that came from 200 cubs and leaders around the campfire was just staggering. Thanks must go to Sue Flush and her 1st Thurstaston team for all their organisation, to Alan Bennett for the wonderful campfire and to all the leaders and helpers who gave so much enjoyment and entertainment to the Cubs. Put the dates in your diary for 2017 as the deposit is paid and the site is booked!



On the Sunday the **West Wirral Tug of War** competition took place. The competition was fierce and the support was deafening. I never thought that a Tug of War would provide so much entertainment!

Congratulations to this years' winners 1st Thurstaston who overcame 2nd West Kirby in a tense final and to 1st Frankby Greasby who pulled harder than 4th Moreton to win the 3rd place match. Thanks to Jon Oliver and Jess Fogg for their help.

(I loved it and can't wait for next years)



Last Saturday 150 Cubs and Leaders descended on the **Museum of Science and Industry in Manchester** and what a fabulous day it was! We were joined by 500 Rainbows, Brownies and Guides who were there celebrating the International Day of the Girl.

I helped out as part of **West Wirral Active Support** at the **Beavan** at Tawd Vale and it was great to see so many Scout teams taking part in this fantastic Annual event

I've been given some brilliant ideas for District outings but please keep thinking, this will be a subject for discussion at the next leaders meeting in January

Our Cubs have been enjoying a wide variety of trips and activities and I've been lucky enough to enjoy a few of them as I've been getting around the packs. Please keep me informed of what you are up to and I'll do my best to call in and offer help and support. Here are a few photos.....

1st Frankby Greasby - experiencing the Freezers on their 'Food to Fork' trip to Tesco Heswall.



4th Heswall - Cubs and Beavers planting Seeds for the Bee's at Dawstone Park in Heswall



Some Dates & Information for your diaries:-

- **CIN Splash Party** (Venue & Details TBC) – 19th November
- **Cub Bowling** (New Brighton) – 8th December (Please note new date)
- **Centenary Carol Service & Promise Renewal** (St Michaels Pensby) – 16th December. More details will follow but please make sure your Pack Flag is available and that you bring it with you!
- **Safety Poster Competition** – Camp Safety
- **Five A Side Football** - Saturday 28th January 2017 (2pm till 7pm)
- **Swimming Gala** – Sunday 19th March 2017 (12 noon till 3pm)

This really is my last mention for this! **CECA** (Civil Engineering Contractors Association) have a great pack available with games and activities together with a grant of £100 to buy associated materials.

Contact guy.lawson@cecanw.co.uk and mention you are part of West Wirral District and Andy Longstaff passed on the information (Open to all sections not just Cubs).

Please keep me informed of what you are up to and I'll do my best to call in and offer help and support.

Andy Longstaff
ADC Cubs

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ANYONE FOR ARCHERY ?

Archery is now available for Cubs, Scouts, Explorers & Network within West Wirral Scout District.



We are currently able to run sessions for up to a maximum of 12 per instructor and are available from just £20 per session (either run as part of an evening or on a Saturday) and can be part of your weekly evening programme or as an activity as part of your camp.

Sessions can be run indoors or outdoors* at various locations around the district and we will come and assess your HQ at time of booking.

For further details and bookings contact Ritchie Thornley or Mark Mackay by email at: ***westwirral.archery@gmail.com***

*subject to conditions



The new term has got off to a flying start in the Scout section with all our troops very busy on troop nights as well as at weekends.



HIKES AWAY STAGED ACTIVITY AWARD

In September we held our inaugural Scout Section Mystery Hike and had a great day. 17 Scouts from 1st Frankby Greasby, 5th Heswall, 1st Newton and 1st Barnston took part. On arrival at the mystery location, the heavens opened but we were not to be deterred and set off on our hike. Within a short while the rain stopped and we had sunshine for the rest of the day. Taking it in turns to navigate by following clues and completing tasks along the way the Scouts guided us through 6 miles of countryside including some muddy forest paths that proved a little tricky to pass in places! All of the Scouts that took part successfully achieved one hike away award.



We are looking forwards to making the hike a regular feature on the Scout section calendar. Special thanks to Fiona and Geoff who stepped in at short notice to provide transport on the day.



In October, we held information nights about our international camp. Both nights were very well attended and got us off to a great start.



Booking is now open, a fact sheet, FAQ's and booking form can all be downloaded on our website:

<http://westwirralscoutteam.com/international.html>

Unfortunately, PL Training in October had to be postponed due to low numbers as the date clashed with JOTI and many troops had a conflict. We have rescheduled for Saturday 26th November 2016 and hope to see as many Scouts as possible taking part. PL training is an important part of the programme, it enables Scouts to develop their skills as they begin their leadership journey and also on the day we hold our Scout forum, where the Scouts tell us what they think about Scouting in West Wirral and give us their ideas. We urge leaders not to overlook this opportunity and the benefits it can bring for your Scouts.

Along with our section report this month I have been sent a report by William from 6th Heswall all about the Expedition Challenge he completed this summer. (See article in 'News from around the District')

Congratulations to 6th Heswall on completing the challenge and well done to William for a fantastic report. I hope you all enjoy reading it as much as I did.

Reminders:

Scout Campfire – Friday 11th November 2016, numbers by Fri 4th November please

County PL weekend – Names to JP by Fri 4th November

County 'Name the Camp' Competition – Entries to JP by Fri 4th November

Jenny Peek ADC(S)

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West Wirral Scout Section International Camp Belgium 2018



28th July 2018 – 4th August 2018, £600 per person.

Open to members of the Scout Section born before the 31st July 2006

Registration open in the Summer of 2016.

**Activities will include - Water Park, Cultural Activities, WW1
Battlefield tour, BMX biking, Tree Climbing, Theme Park, Days
Hike + much more!**

**There will be places for 36 Scouts & 6 SPLS (born before 2003)
Parent/Scout/Leader briefings will be held 11th, 12th, 13th October
2016.**



**Visit
<http://www.westwirralscoutteam.com/>
for updates!**



News from around the District:

6th Heswall Scout Expedition by William Betteridge



On the 6th and 7th of August my scout group and I went on an expedition from Stoke to Kelsall. We did this walk over a 2 day period camping at Queen Charlottes Wood along the way.

On the first day we walked 16.7km going south east from Stoke to Bridge Trafford then east south east to little barrow, after that we went north to Dunham on-the Hill and then east north east to Queen Charlottes Wood. The second day was 13km after packing up our camp we set off south to Buck Oak then east to the north part of Delamere forest, we then went south to Kings Gate and west from there to the end of the walk in Kelsall at the Lord Binning pub.

Day 1

During the first walk on day one it was quite interesting, because the North Cheshire Way at the part we walked along was quite overgrown. So at most styles we had to hack down the brambles with our walking sticks to get past. After lunch we stopped at a pub to fill up our water bottles; in addition to plain water they had water with basil leaves in it, which was delicious. When we got to Dunham on-the Hill we

stopped at another pub and they gave us 2 free lemonades to share!! After Dunham we came across hay bales and Noah pushed two together and jumped onto the first one then over the next onto the ground.



Almost at camp at the end of day 1

We finally arrived at the campsite at half seven. Everybody was really tired and it was getting dark. As soon as we got the tents up we had to cook food ourselves. Cooking was really fun and the food was great it took a bit of time but we soon had finished cooking the pasta bake and for dessert we had cake and custard along with hot chocolate

Day 2

On the second day we started by packing up the camp before breakfast. We had porridge for breakfast which was lovely, then baked beans with sausages. We started by going along the road till we reached the sandstone trail which we followed for most of the day.

On the way we found a house that sold drinks, which was quite busy because it was along the sandstone trail. We bought a drink to have when we got to Delamere Forest. We had our lunch in Delamere Forest, along with some biscuits that the leaders had brought.

During lunch we planned to do a 20 minute challenge when we got to Nettlewood Forest where we would have to make a den in 20 minutes. There were lots of dead tall thin trees so we took them out the ground and snapped them to use for the structure of the den.



After that it wasn't far till we finished at the Lord Binnings pub in Kelsall





BEAVERS

Do you need ?

Badges ? Programme Resources ?

Group Name Tags ?, Outdoor Equipment ?

Uniform ?, Outdoor Clothing ?

Scouting Publications ?, Footwear ?

Tents? Leaders Clothing ?

In fact, do you want anything that is
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<http://shop.scouts.org.uk/>

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West Wirral Scouting**

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For orders or more information please contact

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EXPLORERS



Can You Afford not to use the West Wirral Scout Shop for your Clothing?										
	Beavers		Cubs		Scouts		Explorer		Adult	
	RRP	Badge Shop	RRP	Badge Shop	RRP	Badge Shop	RRP	Badge Shop	RRP	Badge Shop
Uniform Top					£17.00	£12.46	£21.00	£15.40	£21.00	£15.40
Activity Polo Shirts	£10.50	£8.44	£11.50	£8.44	£13.00	£9.54	£16.00	£11.74	£16.00	£11.74
Activity Tee Shirts										
Sweatshirt	£12.00	£9.54	£12.50	£9.16			£30.92	£23.32		
Hoodie	£13.50	£11.88			£20.00	£17.60	£20.00	£17.60	£28.00	£20.25
Trousers	£16.00	£11.74	£16.00	£11.74	£31.50	£19.80	£29.00	£19.80	£27.00	£19.80

Please make cheques payable to "West Wirral District Scout Council Badge Account" and send to the address below.

If you pass the cheques direct to Roy Kenyon (or pay by BACS) please let me know you have done so via email – Thanks

Yours in Scouting

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More News from around the District:



1FG Cubs - Our World & More

At 1st Frankby Greasby Cubs this term we have been doing the Our World badge as well as enjoying activities and fun and adventure along the way.

We started off early in September with a fantastic visit to Tesco' Heswall Store, for the **Farm to Fork** tour. This gave the Cubs an insight into how the store works and each of the sections from Fruit and Veg, Bakery and Cheese, to Fish and then the store freezer, stock rooms and loading bays. It was a great evening, highly recommended for your Beaver Colonies, Pack and Troops if you are looking for an activity away from your meeting place.



It's free, and the Cubs each get a badge, but you may have to book well in advance. Contact Tesco Heswall for more information.

The following week we did a **Local Knowledge** Walk, which commenced at our Hut in Frankby, and followed a trail which the Leaders devised to each of the special historical places in Frankby and Greasby. The Cubs learned all about Frankby Village, which



dates back to Roman Times & Vikings times, they visited St John's Church and learnt about the Royden Family and saw their Crypt in the Cemetery. In Greasby Village they learned about the old School on Mill Lane, the Iron Cross and origins of the Coach & Horses Public

House, old Stores, Dairy, District Bank and Halls & Farms. Dating back to the 1600's, there was a lot to learn and see. Who'd have known that so much history was on our doorstep. We couldn't let the night go by without a Chippy Supper of course.

We enjoyed the **District Cub Camp at Queen Charlotte Wood**. Here the Cubs thoroughly enjoyed all the activities that were run by each of the Group Packs across the site. Because it is **100 Years of Cubs**, the theme of the Camp was Decades, and each Group had a decade to work with and have an activity and game. Our own was based upon Code Breaking and Working as a Team.

We created Bletchley Park (out of a mess tent), where the famous Enigma Code was broken by Alan Turing and his team. The Cubs learned Morse Code and Semaphore, and had to break each others codes.



Everyone had a fantastic time. We shared our camp with 7Th Moreton, and our Cubs made new friends. The Camp Fire on the Saturday Night was jam packed with songs, sketches and lots of laughter and fun. There was 190 people around the fire which Alan Bennett lead It was a magical joyful place to be.



Back to Our World, and we've continued with the theme and visited **Upton Fire Station**, for an evening of learning about the Fire Engines, the Station and the work that they do.



It was a really great evening, and we're sure that other Packs would enjoy a visit to their local Fire Station. We even got to use the hoses, flash the blue lights and sound the sirens.



..... and Our World doesn't finish there, as we have thoroughly enjoyed the **District Cub outing to The Manchester Museum of Science and Industry**. What a fascinating place. Our Cubs learned about engineering, flight &

space, trains and vehicles, weaving and cotton as well as recycling. They spend hours doing experiments and constructing. What a brilliant way to learn about our World and the wondrous things that Man has done in the past and what lies ahead in the future.



We couldn't leave out the other Services, so we have also had a visit by the **Police**. No, we're not in trouble. We welcomed **Merseyside Police** to 1FG to give the Cubs a look at a Police Vehicle and all their equipment (including lock up cell) that they use for their role. Imagine the surprise of the Cubs when our own Kai Lindsay turned up with his colleague to give the demonstration himself. Kai is a Special Police Sergeant with Merseyside Police.



Where do we go from here we couldn't leave out the **First Aiders and Medics**, so we're having a visit by them also in a few weeks time.

We are certainly on an adventure this term, and it's great fun all the Cubs and Leaders alike.



What about the New Challenge ???

Don't forget you've been challenged to a different kind of competition . . .

1st Frankby invested two of their new Cubs into the Pack during their visit to Upton Fire Station.

How brilliant to be invested in a Fire Station, in front of a Fire Engine.

Welcome Scott and Joseph to our Pack.



About the Old School Lodge, Deiniolen (Activity Centre)

The Old School Lodge, originally the 19th Century Village School, was extensively refurbished prior to its opening in 2001.

Set in large wooded grounds with a gently flowing stream and a breathtaking view of the mountains beyond, the Lodge is situated four miles from Llanberris and the foot of Snowdon itself. Bangor and Anglesey are also nearby.

The Lodge does not provide or organise Leaders or Instructors. Those who conduct activities are responsible for ensuring that they have the appropriate training and qualifications to do so, relevant to their own organisation. The owners of the Lodge accept no responsibility for any such activities. However, the friendly on-site Warden is always available to offer help and give advice on activities available in the area.

For further information and booking details

<http://www.oldschoollodge.org.uk>

The lucky winners for the Nov 2016 Activity Centre Number Club Draw are:

1 st	Laura Pringle	2 nd	Christine Gorman
3 rd	Jayne Oliver	4 th	Tony Arnould

Congratulations 😊

If you don't have any numbers yet for the Activity Centre Monthly Draw then please contact:

Christine Kenyon:
or Email:

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Did you Know???

How to find true north



You're lost in the woods. That's bad. You forgot your compass. That's worse. But it's not hopeless.

There are several techniques you can use to find true north and get yourself reoriented.

The Watch Trick

If you've got a watch, and it's not digital, you can use it like a compass. First, point the hour hand towards the sun. Then find an imaginary line halfway between the hour hand and the 12 on the watch face. (During daylight savings time, the halfway line is between the hour hand and the 1.) That imaginary line points south. North, of course, is 180 degrees in the other direction. If you'll wait awhile, you can watch the sun and see which way it is moving. If it's rising, that's east. If it's setting, that's west. You're oriented.

The Needle Trick

If you're lucky enough to have remembered your first-aid kit, get a needle from it. Rub it on the silk liner of your sleeping bag or other material, and the resulting static electricity magnetizes it.

Lay the needle on a blade of grass and float that in a cup of water. It will orient itself in a north-south axis. You'll have to guess which way is north, but at least you'll have a 50-50 chance of being right.

The Stick Trick

Find a stick that is about three feet long. Poke it in the ground so that it is standing straight up. Then place a rock at the end of the shadow cast by the stick. Wait about 15 minutes.

Now place another stone at the end of the second shadow. With your back to the stick, stand with your left toe touching the first rock, and your right toe-touching the second rock. You're facing north.

Draw an imaginary line from the first rock marker to the second. West is the direction of the first marker.

The Oldest Trick in the Book

But if you have no watch, no needle and the sun has gone down, stay put. Rescuers look near where you were last; if you wander, you're less likely to be found.





County Training Events

For further details of County Training Events click on the links below or visit the County website:

- 2 Dec [HILL AND MOUNTAIN SKILLS](#)
- 2 Dec [Terrain 1 Permit Training or Assessment](#)
- 2 Dec [Terrain 2 Permit Training or Assessment](#)
- 2 Dec [Rescue Emergency Care Level 2 / Activity First Aid](#)
- 3 Dec [Archery Permit Training and Assessment](#)
- 3 Dec [Safeguarding briefing day for County / Area / Island Commissioners - 3/12/2016 - Westbury](#)
- 4 Dec [Safeguarding briefing days for District Commissioners - 4/12/2016 - Salisbury](#)
- 9 Dec [Camp Craft Skills Course](#)
- 9 Dec [Bush Craft Skills Course](#)
- 9 Dec [Rescue Emergency Care Level 2 / Activity First Aid](#)
- 9 Dec [Archery Permit Training and Assessment](#)

West Wirral Young Leader Training Programme - Starting Sept 2016

**All training starts promptly at 7.30pm and finishes at 9pm -
please arrive in good time**

Dates / Venues:

Wed 23rd Nov – Module F & The Missions – 1st West Kirby

2017:

Thurs 12th Jan 2017 – Module A – 1st Thurstaston, Irby Village

Mon 27th Feb 2017 - Module B – 1st Frankby Greasby

Tues 28th Mar 2017 – Modules C & I – 2nd Greasby – Methodist
Church Hall Pickerill Rd Greasby

Thurs 20th April 2017 - Modules G & H – St Andrew's McLeod
Building, Mumford Lane, Meols

Sat 6th May 2017 - Module K - 1st Thurstaston, Irby Village

Wed 7th June 2017 - Module A – 1st West Kirby

Mon 11th Sept 2017 - Modules A – 1st Frankby Greasby

Oct 2017 – Modules D & E - date and venue tbc

Nov 2017 - Module F & The Missions - date and venue tbc

Young Leader Training Modules:

Module A – Prepare for take- off – compulsory module for all YL's
preferably within 3 months of taking your position - Key information
including Safeguarding and child protection

Module B – Taking the Lead – Exploring different leadership style

Module C – That's the way to do it – How to demonstrate, teach and pass on your skills

Module D – Understanding behaviour – Learn how to manage young people's different behaviours

Module E – Game On – Exploring different sorts of games and when to use them effectively

Module F – Making Scouting accessible – Looking at inclusivity and working with members who may have additional needs

Module G – Programme plans, incorporating badges and awards – How to plan and run successful balanced programmes for your section

Module H – Programme plans plus

Module I – What did they say? – Communication skills

Module K – First Aid Master class



West Wirral Climbing, Abseiling and Hill Walking

The District can offer climbing and abseiling sessions for Scouts and Explorers at Irby quarry in the evenings or at weekends

In the evenings sessions would be approx. 2 hrs. long (7.00pm to 9:00pm) but we can be flexible with times and dates.

At the weekends, we are currently offering Saturdays on:

We may be able to offer Sunday or alternate dates on request.

Sessions would be approx. 2.5 hrs., with one session in the morning and one in the afternoon. (10:00 to 12:30 and 13:00 to 15:30).

Each session can accommodate 15 climbers/abseilers at a time.

All equipment and instruction is provided, but a leader will need to be present.

Session can be booked exclusively for a single troop/unit, or can be made up from separate groups and individuals. Sessions are £5 per climber, or an exclusive session for £60 per session.

Climbing sessions and courses can also be offered at different locations if you have any specific requests.

We are also able to help you get your Scouts or Explorers out walking if you do not hold a Scouting walking permit. We can provide training and guidance in navigation and equipment...or just help in getting out onto the hills for the day.

Please contact us to check availability or if you would like to discuss your needs.

Paul & Karen Milnes

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DISTRICT DATES:

NOV:

19 Christmas Post Stamps on Sale

DEC:

05 Christmas Post Sorting opens – Royden 7.00pm

10 Wirral Horn Submission Deadline

10/11 First Christmas Post Deliveries

14 Last Christmas Posting Date

17/18 2nd Christmas Post Deliveries

*****If anyone has any District Dates for next year**

Please let me have them and I'll

Include them on here

In the next edition of the Horn

Thanks, Janet