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Group News

HELP for HEROES
Support for our Wounded

So I'm sat writing this months publication after a 13 mile hike with members of Eagle Troop Scouts, although my legs are starting to ache looking back at today it can only make you proud of the young people we have in 1st Calne Scouts. Members of the Troop are in training for the Explorer Challenge Badge which is focussed on hiking alone, but they've linked it with raising funds for the "Help for Heroes" charity. They will circumnavigate Poole Harbour (30th April—1st May) a distance of around 31 miles mainly on foot but also hopping on a steam train and of course a ferry boat to get to Brownsea Island where they will camp over night. What a fantastic adventure, and the utmost respect for their support to the wounded !!

In addition although we've all broken up for the Easter holiday, there is a jam packed itinerary of activities when we get back. There's some listed in this newsletter, but you'll also have noticed that it has now been published via our new website www.calnescouts.co.uk where we will be continually be providing you information. There's a calendar that will be continually updated detailing the future events - give it a look and save the link as a favourite.

Finally since we are approaching our centenary next year we really could do with some help from "creative types", parents and friends of the Group to help planning and arranging displays that we can use in the Calne Heritage Centre. If you can help then please contact Audrey (or alternatively Mike).

Colony Column

There is a joint Beaver and Cub sleepover planned to take place in June, where we will also be saying goodbye to Caroline Lonsdale who is moving away from the area, it's the last event she is organising so I'm sure it will be one to attend.

Also a quick note, if you here of anyone that is interested in putting their children on the waiting list for Beavers then let them know they should contact Janet Hyde, contact details can be made available upon request.

For now ask them to drop an email to chairman@calnescouts.co.uk

SCOUTS

With all this good weather now upon us both Buzzards and Eagles have been busy out and about. We've already mentioned that there is training taking place in Eagles with map work and hiking.

Buzzards only last weekend were paying a visit to RAF Lyneham where they got to operate the fire tender hoses, see the aircraft and air control tower, even ten-pin bowling as well as joining our boys with a bit of fine dining in the airman's mess. This was a great day out and could not have been organised with out the efforts of Alan Doddington-Boyes, well done Alan.

Coming up there's a district camp at the end of May as well as water activity day being organised over in Corsham. Also the next meeting after the holiday's will be Monday 9th May.

cubs

Congratulations to Thomas Horman as he has been awarded his Chief's Scout Badge, we're also happy to say he's staying with the Group and moving up to Scouts very soon.

At the end of March there was a Cubs Sleepover at the Scout Hall. This event was really well attended both from 1st Calne but also Cubs from Devizes. Not only was there a hike but also the Cubs had a super morning at the Olympiad Swimming Pool in Chippenham.

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Inside a fat Albert, and Scouts having a great time.

Dates for the diary.

Saturday 07/05/2011	**Spring Fair** At the Scout Hall from 2:30pm help on the day will be welcome.
Sunday 08/05/2011	**Wiltshire Scouts Mayhem Activity Day (Amended location)** There will be a County activity day at Avebury Manor, rumour has it that Bear Grylls will be attending.
Sunday 15/05/2011	**River Clean Up** We will want to be teaming up with the Lions for the river clean up prior to the Duck Race. We will also be selling burgers for the workers and any by passers.
Saturday 21/05/2011	**Duck Race** The Group will be raising funds on the day
Weekend 27 - 30 /05/11	**District Scout Camp** Potterne, Nr Devizes
25 or 26/06/11	**Water Activity Day** Exact details to be confirmed, but a series of activities over at the Corsham Lake
Weekend 2 - 3/07/11	**Calne Country Music Festival** The Group's Volunteers, including help from Scouts will be running a catering stand to raise funds. We hope to make this a new annual fundraising activity and need lots of support
23 - 26/07/11	**Cub Summer Camp** Taking place in Foxlease in the New Forest

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White Horse Challenge, we will be participating only on the Sunday 3rd July this year.

Shopping on-line this Easter?

Have you heard about easyfundraising yet? It's the easiest way to help raise money for 1st Calne Scouts Appeal Fund!

If you already shop online with retailers such as Amazon, Argos, John Lewis, Comet, iTunes, eBay or HMV, then we need you to sign up for free to raise money while you shop! You shop directly with the retailer as you would normally, but if you sign for free and use the links on the site to take you to the retailer, then a percentage of whatever you spend comes directly to us at no extra cost to yourself. There's over 2,000 retailers on their site, and some of the donations can be as much as 15% of your purchase.

We've raised over **£450** with easyfundraising so far but we'd like your help to keep donations coming in.

Sign up at http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/calnescouts

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