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NEWSLETTER OF BANSTEAD SCOUTS

Tickett Talk

Another year draws to a close and what a year it has been! With another successful SCRAM behind us and Scoutabout to look forward to, there is so much for our young people to get involved with in large scale events as well as District and Group activities.

It is time to be doing some planning for the coming 12 months. GSLs will be asking section leaders to help come up with the action plan for the coming year for the groups. These will be due within two weeks of the census closing and should be focused on how to develop the group further and meet any challenges that are being faced.

This is also the last time that we will be doing the census in the current manner. Next year all data must be on the new membership database and so please ensure that your own personal data is correct on the current system (log in to www.scouts.org.uk) because your information will transfer across later in the year.

Thank you for all of your hard work this year. On behalf of the District team, I wish you a happy Christmas and a fantastic new year!

Alistair Tickett (District Commissioner)

and other people who have supported the group. The Group Exec. did a brilliant job by organising a Fish and Chip cart which worked very well (no food preparation!). The group celebrated Christmas at Tattenham Corner Beefeater a good start to the festive season.

Each week the scouts had great fun looking at the various options of counting calories doing simple exercises and this ended with our camp which focused on healthy meals and not a sandwich in sight! This year the camp was held at Thorrington near Colchester with scouts making strawberry jam pot noodles developing their own Smoothies, abseiling, rifle shooting, cross bows and tenpin bowling. We visited Jimmy's Farm in Suffolk and spent a day by the sea at Walton on the Naze. In 2014 the camp will be at Lyons Copse in Hampshire.

1st Bentley Scout Group

1st Bentley have been busy since September 2012 with the programme for the year on Healthy Eating and the Sport Enthusiast Badge and the scouts achieving the Fitness Challenge and the 35 nights away challenge. We celebrated with a 25th birthday party in November which was a huge success with scouts and leaders who have been part of the group over the years



In May, the group took part in the Woodmansterne Village Fair which raised

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£350 for the group funds and which we shall be entering again in 2014.

The scouts had a visit from 2 ladies who taught the game of Boccia which was great fun. Boccia is a game which was very popular in the 2012 Olympics which is similar to bowls but is played by sitting down in teams of 4, 6 or 8.



The group is now focusing on Personal Safety with visits from St John's Ambulance, the Police and Fire Service.

1st

Woodmansterne

After many years of sterling service to Banstead Scouting, David Wombill stood down as Chairman of 1st Woodmansterne Scouts. His wife, Ros was secretary and also "retired" at the same time.



A presentation was made at their AGM to show appreciation for all the work and guidance over the years.

Dates for your Diary

January

11th – Cub Team meal

February

March

10th GSL Meeting – Walton' s HQ

April

May

June

27th-29th - Scoutabout

July

14th – GSL Meeting – 3rd's HQ

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