

Beavers

We are so glad to be back face to face a after what seemed like a such a long time on zoom sessions. We have welcomed a whole new beaver colony in this time and have had a fantastic few months learning lots of new skills completing badge work both in the weekly meetings and at home. Getting back out into the community has been great thank you to all the beavers and parents who attended the Santa's sleigh collection and car show events held last year.

We have been busy planning and holding our first sleepover since returning and the beavers have had a big part in planning this event it has been great to give the yp a night away pitching tents toasting marshmallows telling stories and working together to solve tasks set by the Young leaders. A big Thank you to Craig for his assistance in the kitchen.

Becky



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We Are Back!!

As the restrictions were lifted, so were our spirits in the thoughts of mixing again both indoors & outdoors dialling the fun factor back up to 11 and looking forwards to the opportunities we will have this year as a group.

2022 has seen some of our Beavers move up to Cubs in their journey through scouting for the next level of learning & development coupled with more interesting badge work opportunities and we must take this time to thank Becky & Liz our sectional leaders for the seamless transition for our young people as well as spreading themselves between the 2 sections to ensure our group was able to maintain its planned program for both age groups. You have both done a fantastic job with the assistance of our parent helpers Gill, Richard & Craig who have all helped us to deliver these evenings.

As the end of this current term approaches we have The Beaver Sleepover at Chelveston Village Hall and an end of term celebration at Rushden Lakes that was previously postponed due to Covid Restrictions.

We have been talking to 7th Rushden Scout Group (Based at Scout HQ) Skinners Hill in recent weeks about teaming up for some activities as they currently run their evenings

on a Wednesday night also, our 2 groups are very similar in the way they are run and have the key components we have been searching for in leadership options for the Cub & Scout sections and our solid Beaver program will be a great help to 7th in return. In addition to us all meeting up to let off some steam at Flip Out we have the option to team up for evening meetings, sponsored walks, family camps and fundraising as I believe we will be stronger together to essentially bolster both of our groups back to full programming and troop numbers in the months, years to come.

With that in mind between us we have come up with these exciting dates for later in the year. Key Dates for 2022.

Planned events for 2022 and dates for your diary are as follows, we would love to hear your input for future events and of course open to any suggestion how we might deliver them in a better way for your young person.

- Weekend 12th – 13th March, Beaver Sleepover, Chelveston Village Hall



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- Wednesday 30th March, End of term Celebration, Flip Out, Rushden Lakes
- Sunday 24th April, St Georges Day Celebration, Hall Park Walled Garden
- Weekend 30th April – 1st May, Volunteering Stewarding & Litter Pick, Steam & Country Show, Lancaster Farm, Chelveston Road
- Wednesday 20th July, Summer BBQ, Irchester Country Park
- Saturday 9th July, Party In The Park, Fundraising Stall, Rushden Hall Park
- Weekend 29th – 30th July, Cubs Sleepover/Family Camp, Wadenhoe Camp Site
- Sunday 7th August, Rushden Classic Car & Bike Show, Stewarding/Fundraising Stall, Rushden Hall Park
- Saturday 5th November, Rushden Firework Display, Hall Park
- Saturday 26th November, Rushden Christmas Light Switch On, Fundraising Stall, High Street, Rushden
- Wednesday 14th December, Christmas Party, Scout HQ, Rushden

A Privilege

What a privilege it is for me to be counted among the many wonderful leaders, young leaders, assistant leaders and adult helpers who together deliver brilliant scouting for the young people across our district.

I see first-hand how the young people involved in scouting within Northants grow in confidence and gain social and practical skills that will help them throughout their lives and help them make a real positive impact on communities within our Town.

As Chairman, one of the main parts of my role is to support the District Commissioner and District Executive to ensure that together we effectively encourage development of Scouting

within the District and as part of this Community.

The fantastic program provided by our leaders across the town is the best advert we have for scouting and so, as an executive committee, we are committed to assisting the continued delivery of this where we can.

Nathan Godby

Subs

Our Banking is now completely electronic making it easier for us as a group to send & receive funds with automation and online records. Subs are due at the beginning of each school term and can be paid directly into our account.

As previously communicated now the restrictions are lifted and we are fully operational again after Easter, we are asking that parents pay the pre-covid fee of £25 subs for each child. For those who are not aware, subs money is used to pay for the census which includes insurance for your child while they take part in Scouting activities. We also use this money to purchase badges and materials required for activities as well as renting the school.

We have some fundraising opportunities this year which will enable us to raise money towards further activities including family camp by way of sponsored or charity based sales like tombola's at some of this year's major Rushden Events. We encourage any parents that may want to attend to help the group or your young person on the day to get in touch with us to put your names down so we can organise an occasional helper role for you officially on the system.

Thank You all for your continued support
Karen Godby

Scouts

With our Cubs progressing through their stages of badge work at a steady rate they will be ready to join the Scouts this Autumn.

Teaming up with 7th Rushden will allow this years inductee's to be part of troops of 6 to navigate the promising program available.

Exciting times ahead for all

Lee

**SCOUTING IS ABOUT
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AND ADVENTURE.**

We are pleased to share with you the news that Bear has renewed his commitment to the Scouts and will be staying on in his role as Chief Scout until at least 2023.

"I couldn't be more proud to continue as Chief Scout for at least the next three years, and my hope is that together we can steer and carry Scouting through this tough time and out the other side as a force for good across the whole nation. Being appointed as Chief Scout was one of the best moments of my life. To be able to serve this great movement is the proudest part of my life, because it is about inspiring and helping young people to get ahead in life" - **Bear Grylls**

To celebrate this announcement, Bear has released a new documentary entitled "Being Chief Scout" where he talks about his experiences and why he believes Scouting is so powerful - exclusively available on his YouTube channel.

Cubs

Lockdown meant many of our beavers joined our Cub section and what a fab start it's been. We have watched our yp grow and develop new skills in knots, whittling, local knowledge and search and rescue techniques. Special thanks to our parent helpers and leaders from other scout groups as this has enabled us to give the Cubs some great experiences in our weekly meetings. We recently held a show and tell / talent evening and myself and Becky really were impressed by the skills our yp have been working on in their spare time.

We are currently planning a Cub camp and details will be coming out after the Easter holidays.

Thankyou to all our Cub parents for your support in outside events that we do it's greatly appreciated.

Liz



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