

# TARTAN TIMES

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Winter is hopefully on it's way out, as we look ahead to the spring and summer, and the start of the camping season. There is plenty for everyone!

## Bag packing result

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our annual Christmas bag packing event at Morrisons.

Thanks to you everyone's hard work we raised a great total of £644.96

## Could you help behind the scenes?

We are looking for additional parents who would be willing to sit on our Group Executive Committee (the group's trustees). Meeting four times a year, they are key to the development of the group and also support for our front line leader volunteers.

Do you have skills you can offer to these important roles? Speak to Lee or another committee member for more details.

## Quiz night - rescheduled date

Due to the snow, the quiz originally planned for Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March has been rescheduled to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April. Hope to see you there!

## Are you our next Chairperson?!

The group has been without a chairperson for a few years now. We are keen to fill this important role; a key person to manage our group's trustees.

If you are interested or wish to know more, please speak to Lee or email [gsl@walsallwoodscouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@walsallwoodscouts.org.uk)

## Uniform reminder

A polite reminder as the warmer weather approaches, that members are required to wear uniform for the start and end of each of their meetings. We recommend that a t-shirt or similar is worn underneath in order that uniform can be removed if it is warm.

## Race night

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported our first race night in March. This event will be repeated later in the year, when we hope to see more of you attending!

Turn over for details of coming events...

### **Group family BBQ & AGM**

On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May, we will be holding our family BBQ and Annual General Meeting. This will include presentation of badges to many youth members and leaders. Please come along for a relaxed evening and see what the rest of the group have been up to. A small charge is made for food, drinks are free.

### **Family camp 2018**

This year's family camp will take place over the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July, a move from the previous September dates and also a change of venue to Kibblestone International Scout Camp, near Stone. Open to all members and their families, we are looking forward to (hopefully!) some good weather, good food, good company and above all some good fun with our friends! Do not delay in getting your family booked on!

### **Beaver Business**

The Beavers have enjoyed a chilly sleepover at Alfrey Activity Centre in February, a family visit to Cosford Air Museum and plenty of other exciting activities. As beavers move up to cubs, we look to welcome more young people and leaders...

### **Cub Chat**

With spring finally appearing, plans are well underway for the cub camp in May at Drumhill Scout Camp. A joint event with 1<sup>st</sup> Blakenall Heath Cubs, I am sure we will have a great time! Before then, we have a joint trip with the beavers to Lego Discovery Centre in Manchester.

### **Scout Social**

Nights away events continue for the Scout section following their indoor weekend in November, with a weekend camp in April, a longer camp in May and a special weekend in London in October. Trips are also taking place to Waterworld among others. The fun is non-stop at the moment for the Scouts!

### **Explorer Events**

It was a great disappointment that the week on the narrowboat was cancelled in February, however a camp is now planned for June, Alton Towers camp in September and a weekend in London on December! We are looking forward to welcoming new explorers moving up from scouts over the coming weeks.

Don't forget you can always check our website for details of events, copy letters and the latest news and pictures from camps.  
**The easiest way to stay up to date is to follow on Facebook!**

