

UNDER THE BARROW

The Newsletter of 16th Morecambe Scout Troop

Kandersteg 2011

Arrangements are well in hand for the highlight of 2011, our trip to the Kandersteg International Scout Centre high in the mountains in the beautiful Bernese Oberland in Switzerland. Campsites are booked, and a number of excursions and activities are in the pipeline.

These will include mountain biking, alpine walks, Rodelbahn sledging, international disco, national day celebration and visits to the Jungfrauoch, Niesen summit by cable car, possibly Zermatt and shopping in Interlaken.

On the way we will also be visiting Paris to see the sites, including the Eiffel Tower.

Full details will be circulated in due course and will include an equipment list, permission form, contact details, itinerary and information on food, money and final details.

If you have not already done so it's now too late to book a place as we are full.

Badges & Awards

Challenges

The Challenges complement the balanced programme. These have been developed to extend Scouts' skills and experience. The Challenges are optional and continue throughout the Sections providing continuity from 6 to 25.

Chief Scout's Gold Award

This badge is the highest award available in the Scout Section. It is gained by completing:

The Promise Challenge
 The Community Challenge
 The Fitness Challenge
 The Creative Challenge
 The Global Challenge
 The Outdoor Challenge
 and two of the following:
 The Outdoor Plus Challenge
 The Adventure Challenge
 The Expedition Challenge

Activity Badges

There are 69 Activity badges specially designed for the Scout section, along with six Staged badges.

So, plenty to work for!



Diary

Mar 20	Church Parade
Apr 9/10	Bowlander Hiking Compn.
Apr 17	Church Parade
May 15	Church Parade
May 27/30	Troop Camp, Silverdale
June 17/18	Camping Competition
June 19	Church Parade
June 24/26	Family Camp, Silverdale
July 16/17	District PL's Camp
July 25/Aug 8	Annual Camp, Kandersteg

Church Parade

All Members of the Movement are encouraged to make every effort to progress in the understanding and observance of the Promise to do their best to do their duty to God, belong to some religious body & carry into daily practice what they profess.

As our Troop is composed of members of several denominations, Scouts are encouraged to attend services of their own form of religion.

Parades are held on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the Church of the Ascension to which all members are invited..

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Memories to last a lifetime



The local Scout Shop in Moor St. in Lancaster is open Mondays 6.30 - 8pm; Saturdays 10 -12pm for the sale of uniforms, books etc.

“The most worth-while thing is to try to put happiness into the lives of others.”

Robert Baden-Powell

Spring Bank Holiday Camp, Silverdale: 27-30 May 2011

A Scout's favourite activity - camping! This will be a traditional Patrol camp under canvas at Silverdale.

You can look forward to a wide range of exciting activities including canoeing, wide games, backwoods cooking, Geocaching, camp fires and exploring.

Those who have been before will be anticipating our usual assortment of activities and looking forward to maintaining and improving their camping skills.

As a Troop, we pride ourselves on our camping standards, which are second to none.

If this is your first time, look forward to a great adventure in company with your pals. You will be an experienced camper able to look after yourself in the outdoors before you know it!

See you there . . .

Helvellyn Sunrise

? June (tbc – very weather dependent)
More details later on this proposed activity. A walk for the over 12's to see mid-summer sunrise from the most frequently climbed fell in the eastern Lake District.

“Legend and poetry, a lovely name and a lofty altitude combine to encompass Helvellyn in an aura of romance;

If it did not inspire affection would its devotees return to it so often?”

Alfred Wainwright



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Troop T-shirt

For those of you who are not familiar with our arrangements we traditionally adopt a variation to our scout uniform during the summer months in anticipation of much warmer weather.

The Summer Uniform comprises the Troop T-shirt, with design as aside - worn with the neckerchief, any, preferably, self colour trousers or shorts as preferred and trainers. Hopefully, if your son does not yet have one of our troop t-shirts you will wish to purchase one for him - he will certainly get full use from it! If so, please ask for an order form.. We do have some, mainly smaller sizes, in stock but others will have to be ordered.

Alternatively, a suitable substitute would be any plain black t-shirt.



This is our personalized Troop t-shirt.
Design based on an original drawing by Baden Powell.

Snow & Ice

14 Scouts took the opportunity on 5 December to sample the snow and ice conditions on Orrest Head at Windermere. The weather was perfect and an enjoyable and exciting time was had by all.

Many of our exciting activities are featured on our website at www.16thmorecambescouts.org.uk



The party pictured at Windermere

Family Camp

This year's Family Camp will take place as usual at Silverdale from Friday 24 – Sunday 26 June. Scouts, other than Patrol Leaders, must camp with a family member.

Loads of family friendly activities along with our Beavers and Cubs.

Watch out for details and application form, coming soon.



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