



# *Waltham Forest South District Bulletin*



## *November/December 2009*

### **District Commissioner's Notes**

Those that are not attending local Remembrance Day Services are welcome to join me at Lloyds Park to march down to the Town Hall for the service. On this occasion we will be parading the District Flag and any group flags if you bring them along. Congratulations to all those who receive the Jack Petchy Award. The Medallion presentations take place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Members of the 1<sup>st</sup> Leyton are putting on some entertainment for the County.

I feel it's a bit early but I wish you all a Happy Christmas.

The post of District Secretary remains vacant, which urgently needs filling. If you are willing to volunteer or know someone who you might think would welcome an approach please let me know.

*Mike*

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### **Deadline for Contributions**

Please submit all material for Jan/Feb 28th December



## 2009/10 Diary Dates so far:

Dates	Activity	Place
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Day Service	Lloyds Park marching to The Town Hall, Forest Road.
Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Gang Show Get Together	Winchester Road
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	Jack Petchy Awards	Hawkey Hall, Redbridge
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	PIONEERING DAY	Bulwer Road
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Swimming Gala	Walthamstow Pool & Track
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	Scout Section Meeting	Bulwer Road
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Carol Service	St Andrews, Walthamstow.
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	P & T	Mally to be confirmed
11 <sup>th</sup> January	Beaver Meeting	Mally
30 <sup>th</sup> January	New Year Party	Winchester Rd, Methodist
30 <sup>th</sup> January	Scouts - Swimmers Badge	Forest School
27 <sup>th</sup> March	Scouts - 5 A Side Football	Mally
13 <sup>th</sup> March	Cross Country	Highams Park Lake
15 <sup>th</sup> March	Beaver Meeting	Mally
20~26~27 <sup>th</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> Leyton Show	
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Scouts - St Andrews Cup	
25 <sup>th</sup> April	St George's Day	
25 <sup>th</sup> April to 2nd May 2010	Gang Show	Chingford Assembly hall
7 <sup>th</sup> June	Beaver Meeting	Mally
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Beaver Meeting	Mally
September	Scouts - Survival Skills	



### Michael Mallinson Scout Centre

Book your next Big Adventure at the Michael Mallinson Scout Centre

Booking Secretary- Karen Brown

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# Beaver Scout News

District Sleepovers 16th/18th October

38 Beaver Scouts had a great time at the district sleepovers held at the Mallison Centre. My thanks to all the leaders who helped to make the weekend such a success.

New Year Party 30th January 2010

This years New Year Party will be held at Winchester Road on 30th January from 2.30pm to 5 pm. I do hope every Colony in the District will be able to come along and join in the fun.

Section meeting dates for 2010 are as follows:

- \* January 11th
- \* March 15th
- \* June 7th
- \* September 27th

Please make sure your Colony is represented at these meetings.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

Alan Towler ADC Beaver Scouts



## DATES

Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	District Gala - WF Pool	5.00
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol Service - St Andrews, Walthamstow	7.00

Leaders Meeting:

Please try to have each pack represented; it does not have to be Akela. Past and future events to be discussed. The bases at Kubado will be discussed, together with a rota of helpers. Cub hike and 5-a-side to be discussed also. Please note the new date for 5-a-side due to circumstances.

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## *WALTHAM FOREST SOUTH DISTRICT SCOUTS*

### SCOUT SECTION – November 2009.

**PIONEERING DAY:** - 15 November 2009.  
**SWIMMING GALA:** - 21 November 2009.  
**SWIMMERS BADGE:** - 30 January 2010.  
**5 A SIDE FOOTBALL:** - 27 February 2010.  
**CROSS COUNTRY:** - 13 March 2010.  
**1<sup>st</sup> LEYTON GANG SHOW:** - 20, 26 & 27 March 2010.  
**ST ANDREWS CUP:** - 24 April 2010.  
**ST GEORGES DAY PARADE:** - 25 April 2010.  
**SURVIVAL SKILLS:** - September 2010.

SOME OF THE ABOVE DATES MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.

Next Meeting: - 7<sup>th</sup> December 2009 8:00pm, be held at Bulwer Road, Leytonstone.

Thank you to all those that attended our last section meeting in September, all Groups please try to have a representative at the next meeting so you don't miss out on events and news.

Our next Section event is a Pioneering Day on 15 November at Bulwer Road – this is open to Scouts of all ages and abilities. Our aim is to help the Scouts through their Pioneering Badge. Please bring a packed lunch, hot drinks will be provided. We will have skilled leaders but all help would be appreciated,

We have once again booked the pool at Forest School for the Scouts Swimmers Badge on 30 January 2010; please bring your Scouts to get them through the various stages of the badge.

The annual 5 A Side Football will be held again in 2010 at Leytonstone School, this is a great event and is not just for the boys, we have had girl only teams, If your troop doesn't have enough for a team but still want to play, send them along we can always make up a scratch team on the night.

It was nice to get each groups summer news at the last meeting, I look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting and hearing how your programmes and badge work are progressing.

Laurie Kavanagh  
ADC Scouts – [lauriekavanagh@gmail.com](mailto:lauriekavanagh@gmail.com)



## NEWS FROM THE BOATHOUSE

After a busy summer on the lake we are now into our winter activities. Having spent the last 3 years upgrading our Kayak fleet and Buoyancy Aids we have concentrated this year on recladding the outside of the store building. Whilst there is still a lot of work to do the building is starting to look a lot better.

**WINTER POOL SESSIONS:** We have been able to secure a bi-weekly booking at Forest School Pool. The sessions are from 8.00. to 9.00. on Monday evenings and will give you a chance to learn or improve your kayaking skills in the comfort of a heated pool. Places are strictly limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. The 6 sessions will cost of £40. Age limit is 10 yrs +, individuals only, sorry no group bookings. Contact : Cathy Mills on 07814 429208

Dates: 11/1, 25/1, 8/2, 22/2, 8/3, 22/3.

**BOATHOUSE SESSIONS:** On the alternative Mondays to the pool sessions we will be running various activities at the boathouse from 7.00.to 9.00. These will include training plus work on the buildings and equipment. We welcome new members to join the crew again aged 10+

**STAFFING:** To ensure the safety of all our users we need to have suitably qualified staff. We are looking for anyone over 16 who has a BCU level 1,2 or 3 coaching qualification to be part of our pool of instructors. We are also looking for people to train for the Scout Association Supervisor or Leadership Permits. Please contact Ian Handley on 07939 114307 for more details.

Hi All ,

### **Quick Note from the Badge Secretary -**

let you know that the badge website is now up and running ..... this time without faults

HOWEVER, as it has been rebuilt from scratch you may come across one , if you do please please email sam [sam.raby@ntlworld.com](mailto:sam.raby@ntlworld.com) or leave a note on the site saying what it is and where you found it so that we can get the fault fixed asap.

<http://www.wfsbadges.co.cc>

also if you can let Sam know your opinions and suggestions via either email or the comments box on the "Your Thoughts" Page

Thanks all

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To All District Scouters and Friends

**GET-TOGETHER  
2009**

Please circulate to Scouts,  
Explorers, Networkers and Leaders

**It's Gang Show Time Again!  
Our 37<sup>th</sup> Show in this run**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> April to Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2010  
Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road E4**

**If you are 10 years of age from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010  
If you are active in Scouting in Waltham Forest  
You want to take part!  
This is for you...**

**Join us at Winchester Road Methodist Church,  
Highams Park E4 from 2pm to 5pm  
Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

**All you need is a basic ability to sing in tune and  
move around to music. You just don't know what  
skills you have till you try it. We can guarantee  
you will make lots of friends and enjoy an amazing  
atmosphere of the show week.**

**Come and see for yourself what's it all about...**



**Gang Show 2010:** Planning for the 2010 show is now underway. As you are aware the show will be moving to Chingford Assembly Hall due to the closure of Lloyds Park. An invitation has been sent to Chingford District to join us in the show thus giving the opportunity for young people across the whole borough to get involved.

In the current financial climate it is unlikely that we will secure funding or grants. Therefore, for the show to proceed, active fund raising will need to take place to bridge the shortfall. This will be a large task over the coming months on top of our other obligations.

Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	GS get-together	Winchester Rd
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Fellowship meeting	7.30. Boathouse
Dec	Visit to Richard/Steven	Panto
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Show rehearsals start	
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Fellowship New Years Party	
Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fellowship meeting	
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Auction Supper	
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> April to Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Gang Show 2010	Chingford Assembly Hall

## Gang Show 2010 Information

August 2009

### Invitation

After 36 shows in this, our current run, next year's Gang Show moves from Walthamstow (Waltham Forest Theatre due for demolition) to it's new home at Chingford Assembly Hall, Station Road E4.

With the move to the Assembly Hall situated in Chingford Scout District, it now opens the doors to their Scouts and Leaders wishing to take part as members of 'The Gang' or as supporters with all the areas listed above within Waltham Forest.

### When do We Meet?

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November we hold a get-together for Scouts and Guides who would like a place in the show and this and all rehearsals is held at Winchester Road Methodist Church, Winchester Road E4 from 2pm to 5pm. We run the afternoon as a very informal workshop and you'll be taking part as a large group- no singing on your own required!

### What's a Gang Show?

Gang Shows are a unique form of entertainment - a special type of variety performed by young people. Music, dancing, drama, comedy all feature and for over 70 years Gang Shows have been entertaining audiences across the world.

### What age do I have to be?

To be in the show you need to be 10 years of age at the time of the first rehearsal in January 2010 and an active member of Scouting in Waltham Forest.

A separate item in the show is produced for the older Beaver and Cub age and information will be circulated at a later date.

### When does it take place?

The show is April/May at Chingford Assembly Hall but rehearsals begin on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> January and you will be required each Sunday afternoon 2pm to 5pm thereafter. It is undoubtedly a big



commitment but in order to achieve the standard of performance this is the minimum amount of rehearsal required.

**Do I need to be able to sing and dance?**

A basic ability to sing in tune and move around to music is required. The majority of people do actually have these skills (some just don't know they have them!) What we can guarantee is that every minute you spend working on the show will be worthwhile as you make loads of new friends and the amazing atmosphere of show week has to be experienced to be believed!

**What do I do Now?**

GSL's, leaders and supporters to circulate this information to their sections .

For further information please contact Mike or Ian who's details are below

*Please contact Mike Hayward 020 85275435 or*

*Ian Handley 0208 5212671*

