



## Scout leaders meeting

14<sup>th</sup> September 2009 @ Pencoed Scout hall @ 7.30pm

### People present

- Chris Jordan DC
- Marc Rogers 1<sup>st</sup> Bridgend
- Carolyn Joseph Waite 3<sup>rd</sup> Maesteg
- Pauline Sloan 3<sup>rd</sup> Bridgend
- Steve Sloan DESC
- David Meek District Scout Leader
- Debbie Robley 1<sup>st</sup> Kenfig Hill
- Aled Williams 1<sup>st</sup> Kenfig Hill
- Jeremy Howells 3<sup>rd</sup> Bridgend
- Sion Durham (Minutes)
- Andrew Williams ( AAC Scouts)

### Apologies

- Stuart Williams 1<sup>st</sup> Pencoed
- Adrian Morgan 1<sup>st</sup> Cornelly
- Peter Smith 1<sup>st</sup> Nottage
- Sarah Kaye 3<sup>rd</sup> Maesteg
- Beth Barton 3<sup>rd</sup> Cefn Glas
- Peter Richards 2<sup>nd</sup> Bridgend

### Minutes of last meeting

Unfortunately minutes from the last meeting have been packed away to Farnham with Ann. No minutes able to be produced

Welcome (Chris)

### Bridgend District Update

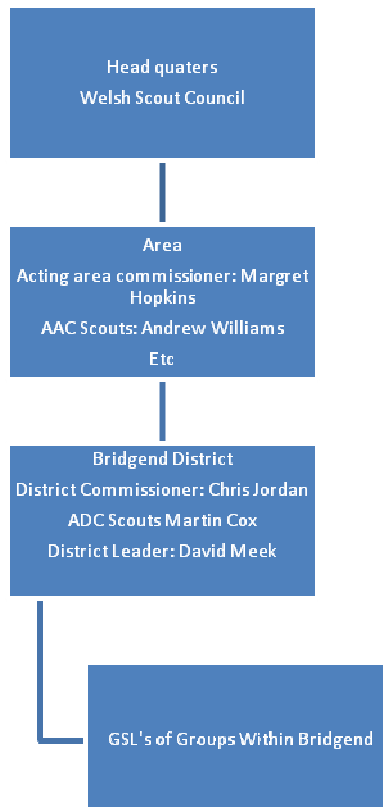
#### District leaders meeting

District leaders meeting at Tondu Road Methodists church Bridgend (across road from embassy) on Sunday 18th October at 2.30pm. All leaders will need bring with them, their first aid certificates and membership cards. Andrey Soulsby area training officer will be attending to arrange any training need. Martin, David and marc will be there to give information relevant to district. David will send all information as he is unable to attend the event. Anyone who has a membership number can attend.

#### Structure

Chris mentioned that many leaders aren't sure on the structure of the area and then district. Chris pointed out the following people within area and then district. She also pointed out that some leaders didn't know who the GSL within the group was. Here is a diagram of the structure.

## Bridgend Scout District



### First Aid Course

Still Places available on first aid course, contact Chris for more information ASAP. The first aid course will be on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September 09 at 10.30 till 4.30. Held at 1<sup>st</sup> Porthcawl Scout Hut.

### Area Update

Andrew Williams who is the AAC scouts began by telling us about recent developments and resources available to leaders. HQ are aiming to use area leaders to get more information to sections

Resources talked about were the scout record book and its easiness to be involved into a programme and the usefulness of the chief scout Handbook which is a resource which can be used from Day 1 to get a scout to the level of chief scouts Gold award

Two useful websites which some leaders would like

- Free resources- [www.scouts.org.uk/sponsors](http://www.scouts.org.uk/sponsors) - downloadable
- [www.scouts.org.uk/ypvy](http://www.scouts.org.uk/ypvy) - a place to have your say on how scouting should be
- My backpack and programmes online, site being made more accessible to record information

Soon be able to link programmes online and link to a profile and then to Facebook. Jeremy posed the question of problem with IT literate people

World scout jamboree forms handed out- cost £1800- 99% of all activities must be attended- information to be passed on to Andrew. Must be 14 on start of jamboree.

A course being run on the 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> September- any leader wants to attend and can take scouts- help give ideas

Contact details – Richard 07841626531- any questions etc

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Health Challenge Wales- started by glam Catvog scouts – sponsored by welsh assembly- get in touch with Keith Hopkins. Leaders are able to join in with the activity as well as Beavers and cubs. Badge to be worn like a challenge badge

Promise Challenge is a new award and Andrew handed out sheets to show tips and ideas, all comments to be passed back to area to review ideas made on the sheet. Ideas added by marc were taking a prayer book home. All comments about the ideas need to be reviewed and passed back to area by January

Free resource from Margaret- from welsh scout council- Margret has spent time doing this, so that every group in mid glam will have one. Every page is an activity such as teambuilding etc.

Expedition challenge – try to do as a district rather than one or two scouts. Involve explorers. Make it like a real 'Bear Grylls' adventure

London- Andrew spoke about his time in London. It's a boat! London scout dockland project search online £35 per night all food included and a packed lunch. Activities can be provided for children.

<http://www.lordamory.org/>, (here is the link which was found which has all information relevant)

### Chief Scouts Gold Award

A Discussion was raised about how to reward the highest award for scouts at an area level or district.

**District level-** good opportunity to meet explorers and

Feels more special

Incorporate district carol service or a scout site

**Area-** not as well known, too many people not as special

Caerphilly castle big event buffet etc

### RECOGNITION NEEDS TO BE MADE

March chief scouts award presentation- maybe a one. Small numbers involved and could seem pointless.

Chris pointed out that would area have the money to do this. Andrew Replied should be sufficient funds. Maybe Scouts and cubs join together and one pay once and then the other.

Kids will not have to wait too long like six months to get present the award.

Pauline agreed with the 6months idea, the activities are summer and the wait is far too long and when they have left they will have lost all recognition. 25 names 6 had left many gone to explorers. Let area know will be able to send a certificate/postcard to the homes. Make area newsletter more relevant, put on district website.

Pauline to speak to David hope to put any names of which people have gained the award

### IQ

IQ shop in Pencoed will order any scout information handbooks etc and not charge post and packaging. The shop is located on Penybont, Rd. Contact Julie Clark on

### District Hike

The hike has been organised by Steve Sloan. All relevant information was handed out at the meeting. If anyone would like to help please contact Steve Sloan. A points system will run and children will be timed in and out of bases. (see separate sheet for a list of all relevant bases) it was decided to move the start time to 9.30am due to beavers using Cefn Glas scout hut and that all scouts will need to have a first aid kit. It was then decided as an extra challenge that all groups need a 3pint Billy to carry water to the laleston field. Steve needs to know how many patrols are attending and for leaders to decide which bases they would like to run.

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### Patrol Leaders Camp

The patrol leader's camp will be held at 1<sup>st</sup> Bridgend hall on 21<sup>st</sup> till the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November with a 10am start and finishing at 12pm the following day. The cost will be £5 and 6 bases will be run during the activity day. A patrol leader's forum will be taken by Andrew. Leaders and children to be separate and then join together to exchange ideas and thoughts.

Marc Rogers will need to know what activities can be provided and if anyone is willing to help run a base or stay over night

### Cooking competition

Cooking competition on 7<sup>th</sup> Feb. in 3<sup>rd</sup> Bridgend- all ok- cost will be a £1. Ready steady cook. Leaders to spend up to £5 on stuff. Cooking inside on gas. Each group can enter 2 patrols with 5 in a group. Need tables with covers. 10am till 4pm. Groups bring own kit

### Brass Monkey

Brass monkey is booked 19<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> march £10 scouts and explorers. Scouts outside and explorer inside. Need to work out what needs to be done. Come up with ideas for the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Also confirm what will be happening on 18<sup>th</sup> October will be what people want for patrol leaders camp.

### All Wales Scout Camp

The All Wales scout camp on 18<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> June. No cost available at moment. Stricter on deposits. Booking system much more up to date

Area chief scouts award in March numbers by January 1<sup>st</sup> 2010 to Andrew.

The next meeting will take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> December due to Andrew needing to report back to area and will be held at Pencoed @ 7.30pm. The meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> will still go ahead.

### Minutes

*S.A. Durham*

Sion Durham

### Confirmed

*C. Jordan*

Christine Jordan District commissioner for Bridgend

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