

BRIGEND DISTRICT SCOUT COUNCIL
NOTE OF A JOINT DISTRICT GSL/SCOUTER'S MEETING
MONDAY 14TH JANUARY 2008

1. Welcome and Apologies: The new Leaders were welcomed and introduced and apologies were received from Jean Thomas, Porthcawl, Moira Batters, Jackie Jones, Peter Smith, Nottage and Pauline Sloan 3rd Bridgend.
2. The DC presented Sian Protheroe-Williams with her Certificate of Training for Modules completed, together with the pin badge.
3. Minutes for the last GSL and District Scouter's Meetings were approved.
4. Matters arising:
 - a) D of E Award Scheme - Adam has not received any feedback to the letter sent to GSL's re advice he could give concerning the Award Scheme. He will contact them again confirming his offer.
 - b) District Container - Peter Richards, Martin Cox and Peter Faulkner, had volunteered to make an inventory of the contents of the District equipment container. To date, it has not been possible for them to do this - keep as an agenda item.
 - c) Adopted Charity for Collections at District Events - Christine Faulkner is still trying to find out contact details for the young Carer's Charity.
 - d) District Carol Service - This event had been very successful and thanks were extended to Nottage Group for organising the event. An amount, in excess of £209, had been collected for the CLIC Sargent charity.
 - e) St George's Day Parade and Service - An organising team had been previously appointed for this event. Peter Richards, its Chair, said ideas and planning were in the early stages and details would be available shortly.
 - f) District Events and Challenge Day - Adam Jackson had put together ideas for a District Challenge Day for all Sections. He has provisionally booked the College at Pencoed for the event on 11th May 2008. He now has to have a meeting at the College to move things forward. At the next Scouter's Meeting, some of the challenges will be attempted by the leader's to get an idea of the activities that will be provided. Steven Sloan reported that Bridgend Recreation Centre showed no interest in a booking being made to stage a District play-off for the Area Cub Scout 5-A-Side Football Competition. After discussion, it was decided that, because of a lack of interest shown in entering teams for the Area competition, the two teams that wished to enter, 3rd Bridgend and 1st Nottage, would represent the District at Area level.
5. Area Training and First Response Training:

An Area Training Day will be held on Saturday 19th January 2008 at the 3rd Bridgend Scout Headquarters, commencing at 10.00am. Everyone at the meeting was given a Programme for the day and urged to attend and encourage others who needed Modules validated, to come along and discuss training needs. Two First Response Courses will be held in the District over the next few weeks. The first, on Sunday 20th January 2008, will be held at 1st Porthcawl Scout Headquarters between 10.00am and 3.00pm and the second at 3rd Bridgend Scout Headquarters on Sunday 3rd February 2008. To attend the 20th January Course, please contact Margaret Hopkin and to attend the 3rd February Course please apply directly to Beth Barton.

6. A.O.B:
- a) Cub Scout Chief Scout's Silver Award - names of candidates to Christine Jordan by 31st January 2008 please.
 - b) All Wales Cub Scout Fun Day - There will be a District Planning Meeting for this event on Monday March 10th, 7.00pm at the 3rd Bridgend Scout Headquarters. Those wishing to take children to this event must arrange their own buses.
 - c) Area Beaver Scout Fun Day - This years Fun Day is to be held on the 13th July 2008 at Islwyn Scout Parc.
 - d) Census Returns and Membership Fee payable - Groups were urged to make sure that Census Returns were completed as soon as possible and payment made on time.
 - e) Attention was drawn to the introduction of changes to the Training Programme and accompanying new badges. Implementation date - 1st February 2008.
 - f) Dolygaer - If any Explorer Scout Unit is interested in carrying out Service Team work at Dolygaer, please contact Len Ward AAC (Act).
 - g) The Area Training Manager is thinking about introducing 'Drop-In' training days around the Area to assist with the problem of lack of TA's.
 - h) It is proposed to hold a District Training evening once a month where those who are involved in Modular training, can come along to discuss and have validated, the work that they have completed. The first of these will be held on Monday 18th February 2008, 7.30pm to 9.30pm at 3rd Bridgend Scout Headquarters.
 - i) Calendar of Events for next Twelve Months - Much discussion took place about events that leaders wished to see organised in the District and a full list of these events and dates of meetings, is attached.
7. Date of next District GSL Meeting. The next GSL Meeting will be held on Monday 3rd March 2008, 7.15pm at 1st Cornelly Scout Headquarters.
8. Date of Next District Scouter's Meeting. The next District Scouter's Meeting will be held on Monday 7th April 2008, 7.00pm at 3rd Bridgend Scout Headquarters.

Please refer to the attached Calendar of Meetings that will be taking place to discuss and plan District events.

Margaret Hopkin

District Commissioner
15th January 2008