



Far Sawrey Scout Camp February 1998

After a slightly delayed departure (waiting for the "high quality" luggage van) we set off from Lazenby at about 18:20. The plan was to take the A66 and then branch off to Windermere and catch the ferry over to Far Sawrey. In reality the two lead vehicles (with the PL's, Ventures and all the kit!) missed the turn of the A66 and headed the long way via Keswick leaving the Scouts, Skip and QM to arrive on time. The "35mph" pair arrived eventually thanks the *skilful* map reading of RJM & CCM who provided a tour of Ambleside and Low Wray enroute. The kit was soon unpacked and we settled down to a soup supper.



Braithwaite Hall, Far Sawrey.

After Saturday breakfast, we split into two groups namely The Wilton Juniors (all the Scouts except Matty with JM, CCM and PM) who were briefed by Richard "Skip" Murray and The Wilton Seniors (the "would be" Ventures and Matty) led by Mick Power. We drove to Coniston and the Wilton seniors started their walk from the village and the Wilton Juniors drove to the Car Park at the foot of the Old man.

The climb up the Old Man of Coniston proved to be some what windy at times with somewhat decorative ice crystals on the grass at the top. The descent however was like a different world with warm sun and little wind, which encouraged the Wilton Juniors to linger and explore the old Copper Mine Machinery and the remains of the miners cottages.

Emergency Shelter

The Wilton Seniors tested out Mick's Emergency Shelter and as a result of a very successful test, the group executive have agreed the purchase of two emergency shelters for use by the group.



Wilton Juniors - Photo Call at the top!

Tea Time

On return to the hall, Skip ran an inter-patrol quiz based on the day's climb whilst Joyce and Fizzy were busy in the kitchen preparing an excellent meal of "What was that soup?" Soup followed by Chicken served with fresh veg and then Chocolate sponge and custard. (We won't mention how long it took to clean the custard pan!).



Diner is served!

Sunday

Sunday started with (a not quite as early as it should have been) run round the village before breakfast. The bags were then packed, the hall cleaned, van loaded and we went for a "swim" in the Keswick Leisure Pool.

This was followed by a walk into the town centre and a visit to the "chippy" followed by time to explore the shops and buy gloves, whistles etc. before we returned home to Lazenby (on time with all four vehicles following the same route).

* Scouts - What happened to those camp reports?
- We still need them for the web report!

Small Ads

For Sale: **Cub Sweatshirt**, excellent condition, £2. See any of the Cub leaders.

If you have spare kit (Walking Boots etc.) that you would like to sell, why not advertise here?

Erratum

Some copies of the last Wilton Review (Edition 9801) were printed with the dates of the November and December camps as 1998. These should have read as "Danby November 1997" and "Carlton December 1997".

Wanted!

Adverts and articles for the next edition of the *1st Wilton Review* should be passed to Charles Marshall on a Wednesday evening on paper or as PC text files or faxed to 01642 885758.
It's your group, it's your newsletter, let's have your comments and ideas!

Forthcoming Events



Beaver & Cub Walk

A family walk of approximately 6 miles has been organised for the Beavers and Cubs on Sunday 15th March 1998. The walk will start and finish as Lazenby Village Hall and take in a "lunch-stop" at the Cross Keys. Although aimed at the younger members of the group, anyone is welcome to come along. Further details are available from any of the Cub / Beaver leaders.

Scouts Summer Expedition

This year the Scouts summer expedition will take place in the last week of August and will take the form of a triathlon (walking, cycling and canoeing) the length of the river Tees. Work with the planning has already started with investigations as to where we can camp, where we can cycle and where we can canoe. Further information later.

Next Cub Camp

As you can see from the picture in the last edition of the Wilton Review, the December '97 camp was a great success. We have booked our next camp 5th - 7th June '98 at Kildale. We have not used the venue before so Lesley (Akela) and Phil went for a look recently. It is an excellent site set in its own woodland and it has a good kitchen / mess-room block. The camp will be in tents which the Cubs should enjoy. There is an adventure playground in the trees and lots of scope to make rope bridges, aerial ropeways etc.

We intend to stay in camp the camp site all weekend so that we can run activities which will concentrate on backwoods skills. More details, camp forms etc. will be sent out after Easter.

Sponsor Simon's Diet

This is your chance to encourage Simon "Guzzles" "Lardy" Sykes to lose some weight and at the same time raise some money for the group. Simon will be sticking to a special diet for one week from 21:00 on Wednesday 8th April until 21:00 the following Wednesday. He will be weighed at the Scout meetings at the start and end of the week and will hopefully have lost at least 6kg.

Please help Simon raise money for the group by sponsoring him per kilogram he loses. Group leaders have sponsor forms.

Missing - Can you help?

Lost two radio headsets last seen at the '96 Commondale Cub Camp. These headsets are greatly missed. If you have any idea where they may be now, please contact Simon Sykes on 0802 885832.

Calendar of Events 1998

It is not possible for us to confirm all the events that the Wilton group will be involved with in the next year nor do we have the exact dates of everything at this stage. Further details will be given in future editions of the *1st Wilton Review*.

Every Wednesday

17:00	Beavers
18:00	Cubs
19:30	Scouts

March

9th	Group Executive Meeting
15th	Beavers & Cubs - 6 mile Walk
20th - 22nd	Patrol Leaders Training Camp
22nd	Mothering Sunday
29th	UK Time changes to BST (+1 hour)

April

12th	Easter Sunday
13th	Group Executive Meeting
23rd	St George's Day

May

11th	Group Executive Meeting
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June

5th - 7th	Cub Camp (Kildale)
8th	Group Executive Meeting

July

13th	Group Executive Meeting Joint Cub & Scout Camp
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August

10th	Group Executive Meeting
22nd - 30th	Scouts Expedition '98

September

14th	Group Executive Meeting
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October

12th	Group Executive Meeting
16th - 17th	Jamboree on the Internet 1998