



## Cubs Bowling

As yet we have not received a report for the newsletter, however I understand that great fun was had by everyone with some 17 Cub Packs taking part and using 17 lanes!

- Ed

## Beetle Drive

In February half term we held a beetle drive and raised £20 for the group funds. Thanks to everyone who came along.

## Family Walk

On Easter Sunday, we met at the Pinchinthorpe car park at 10:00 and set off in the beautiful spring sun. By the time we were on the incline jumpers and coats had all be cast aside. We passed round Roseberry Topping and paused for lunch and a few of the part tried their hand at rolling their eggs down the hill. Lunch over we continued on and made our way back to Pinchinthorpe via a somewhat muddy lane.

Thanks Phil for a very enjoyable walk.

## Troop Easter Camp

### Friday

Stephen (ASL) and Charles (QM) left Middlesbrough at 16:00 and headed out to arrive at Kirkdale (pronounced Kir-dale) shortly after 17:00.

On arrive an hour was spent gathering wood for the Scouters cooking fire before the QMs base was set up.

The rest of the troop met the Lazenby HQ at 18:00. Fizzy (ASL) and Rick arrived and we soon had the Scouters Mess tent up and ready for use. The troop spend time setting up the tents for their patrols and started gathering some firewood before supper. After supper (hot dogs and hot drinks) and a short briefing from Richard (AGSL), the scouts went out for a short walk before going to bed.

The Scouters supper in electric light and ended in gas and candle light with some 30 candles. The generator was turned off at about 23:30 and left us in peaceful night.

### Saturday

Two scouts decided to get up and make a noise at 06:30 and so lost points for their patrol, whilst everyone else except the patrol cooks slept until 07:30. The cooks were up at 07:00 to collect the patrol provisions before joining the rest of the Scouts a run before breakfast.

After breakfast, the morning was spent building kitchens and learning axe and knife skills.

Lunch consisted of eggy bread cooked on the fires and served with tomatoes.

After lunch, each patrol built a bivouac before starting their dinner preparation again using the wood fires.

Dinner eaten and more wood collected ready for cooking breakfast, the evening was spent playing rounders before supper round the camp fire and a short walk before bed. Phil (ACL) build the campfire in the "dry" river using the excess wood collected by the souters for their cooking. A few scouts were dismayed by this who thought they would be able to use the scouters excess wood to cook their breakfasts!

The Cobras Patrol were somewhat dismayed by the smell from the wild garlic on which they had decided to make their beds. However having been assured that the garlic would keep the vampires away they all settled down for the night.

It was a wonderfully clear crisp spring evening and Phil took the opportunity to explain all about the constellations and how to identify the North Star.

### Sunday

The patrol cooks were all up at 07:00 and started lighting their fires and getting ready for breakfast. By 7:30 the rest of the troop was up and ready for a run. Breakfast over the camp as packed up, the QM and Cook made the sandwiches for lunch and again there was time for games before lunch.

Lunch over, the last few items were packed into the vans and then the final patrol points read out and the Eagles as the winners were presented with Easter Eggs before flag down.

We left Kirkdale and headed for Helmsley where we had an hour or so before returning to Lazenby well ahead of schedule!

## St George's Day Parade

This years District Parade took place in Redcar on Sunday 25th April with a short service in St. Peter's Church. This once-a-year event is "public" display of all scout groups and 1st Wilton were well represented by all those members of the Colony, Pack and Troop who took part - let's make a 100% turnout next year!

## Calendar of Events 1999

An updated version of the group calendar will be published shortly. In the mean time, scouts should disregard the groups out information as updates will be provided each Wednesday.

### Every Wednesday

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

### June

9th Scouts - Camp 0699 fees due.

11th - 13th Troop Camp 0699.

14th Group A.G.M. 20:00 at the Nags Head, Lazenby. All parents should attend.



## Cub Camp 05/99

Some people do listen to the requests for articles for the Wilton Review, so we have *two* reports from the cub camp! Thank you to both writers.

### Youth Hosteling at Boggle Hole (1)

Everyone met promptly at the Village Hall on Saturday morning, so we managed to get away on time. We parked at the Whale Bone and meandered through Whitby getting sweet supplies (just in case we hadn't packed enough). Up the 1999 steps to the abbey. Along the Cleveland Way to Robin Hoods Bay. At the bottom we visited the sweet shop for more supplies (just in case we run out!). Unfortunately the tide was in so we had to use the cliff path to the Youth Hostel.

Once there we had a drink and then a short walk up the hill to collect our bags from the car. This gave us an hour to explore and try not to get wet before tea. After tea it was time to collect wood for the campfire. We had marshmallows toasted on sticks and jacket potatoes cooked in the fire and yes, camp songs. Everyone got into the swing of it. The favourite being "Mr Sit and Mr Stand". At 21:30 it was time to go in for supper number two and a quiz. Bed at 22:30 and lights out at 23:00. Will the leader get any peace? By 23:15 all that could be heard from the Cubs dorm. was snoring. The leaders had cracked it! They'd actually tired the Cub out!!

Everything was peaceful until 7:00. bags were packed and instead of the usual run a wander down to the shore whilst breakfast was cooked. After breakfast a short walk up the hill to put the bags back in the car. Then a walk along the beach to Robin Hoods Bay. You've guessed it - a trip to the sweet shop. This time a walk along the old railway line.

Arriving in Whitby we had two hours to spend the rest of our money on presents, the joke shop and of course sweets. Back to the mini-bus to take us all home, with a quick stop at Birk Brow to give out the shields and say a few words.

Arriving at the hall only five minutes late with a van full of very tired, grubby and "full of sweets" cubs (and scouters). A good time was had by all and an adventure well worth repeating in the future.

### Beaver Colony

Now meets 17:30 - 18:30

### Sammy the Spider Project

All Beavers in the District are working on the "Sammy the Spider" project. Eight tasks have to be completed between February and September before Sammy's coming out party in October.

Each time a task is completed we can put a leg on the spider and we have already completed five tasks. We visited the snake exhibition and the Hancock Museum, Newcastle in march. The Beavers really enjoyed this even though the snakes hardly moved whilst we were there. There was also time to look around the rest of the museum which had lots of hands-on exhibits, this was really interesting for all of us.

### To Boggle Hole and Back again!!! (2)

The recent Cub camp on the 1st and 2nd of May was a unique experience for most of the cubs that attended. The camp began at 10:00 on Saturday 1st of May at Lazenby Village Hall, from there, the cubs were taken down the coast to the seaside town of Whitby.

After a brief number count and photo call, we departed for Boggle Hole Youth Hostel, one mile away from Robin Hoods Bay. We took a leisurely pace along the coast, counting the 1999 steps of Whitby Abbey, balancing next to the steep cliffs lighthouses and through quiet areas of farmland. The walk was estimated six miles in length and it took us right through the heart of Robin Hoods Bay, and past a welcoming sweet shop.

We arrived at the Youth Hostel at about 16:00, and after a brief lecture on the rules of the facility, the cubs quickly disappeared out onto the beach throw stones in the sea and have a skimming contests. By the time the hugely enjoyable campfire fun had ended, the cubs were "asking" to go to bed, and for the first camp I can remember, they went to sleep instantly.

Sunday arrived and we departed from Boggle Hole at around 11:00, strolled across the beach to Robin Hoods Bay and again visited the sweet shop. The route back from Boggle Hole was rather different from the route there. we walked along a dismantled railway before a very tired pack of cubs began a long painful decent through the streets of Whitby to the harbour at the bottom.

We wandered around Whitby visiting the shops and arcades, though most importantly was the Joke Shop. We left Whitby for home at about 17:00, and to an exhausting weekend.

*Akela*

*Big Beaver*