

Scouting in Runnymede

Chief Scouts Gold Award

On Saturday 21st November two Scouts from 1st Egham Hythe, Calum Allington and Robert Finn, were presented with the Chief Scout Gold Award by the High Sheriff of Surrey, Elizabeth Kennedy, at a ceremony held in Caterham Surrey.



Both Scouts achieved their awards over a four year period, working with their patrols and individually. Calum in his time with the group also managed to achieve his 50 Nights Away award. At present Robert intends to begin with Explorers in the new year, whilst Calum is to join us as a young Leader working with the Beaver Scout Section.

Steve Turner GSL

Service Awards

Will Fairminer 2nd New Haw, Chris Tingley 5th Addlestone and Sandra Wentworth 1st Virginia Water, were presented with their 5 years service awards by ex ACC Cub Scouts, Jan Jobson at our District Cub carol service.



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CHERTSEY 1 of 150 SHOWS IT'S SUPPORT

A soldier from Chertsey who had part of his leg amputated after being shot on tour in Afghanistan is taking part in a 1,000 mile walk across Great Britain to raise awareness and funds for the charity 'Walking with the Wounded'.

Matt Fisher is one of six injured soldiers taking part in the Walk of Britain, which started in Scotland on August 22nd and finished at Buckingham Palace on 'All Saints Day' - November 1st. Covering the 1,000 mile route in 72 days, the team arrived in Chertsey on day 70, October 30th, for a fundraiser at the Crown Hotel. The following day, day 71, the townspeople came out in force and assembled in Abbey Field to lend their support to the wounded veterans as the group left the town accompanied by an army cadet band and parade chaperoned by members of the Rotary Club of Chertsey.

Matt, 31, who was shot in the foot on Boxing Day 2009, was joined by three other British veterans and two from the US – comrades in arms – Matt Fisher, Alec Robotham, Scott Ransley, Stewart Hill, Andrew Bement (US) and Kirstie Ennis (US).



Photo courtesy of Alan Bostock

Beavers representing the 1st Chertsey Scout Group made an award of £100 to the team's fundraising effort. The journey so far has raised £8,000.

Some facts about the Walk:

- 1000** total number of miles the team have walked;
- 5,280,000** approx. number steps each team member has taken;
- 72** days total duration of the walk;
- 150** villages and towns that the route passes through;
- 2160** meals prepared by the support crew;
- 1,440,000** calories burned by team in total;
- 240** litres water drank by each team member.

Brian Perry- Chairman HQ Fundraising Committee

Great Tiger Bake Off



We decided to make some Tiger Cakes to celebrate my birthday, but the cubs took them home!

The results were all really good and most even ended up looking like a tiger. Mary Berry would have been proud of us and one of the best cakes was made by a cub whose name is Berry, so it was guaranteed to be a success.

Gareth Jenkins - CSL 1st/4th Addlestone Tigers Cub Pack

Cubs Chemistry!

The end of the year went with a bang (quite literally), with the Dons Cub pack from 1st Chertsey getting a visit from Dr. Ann Hubbard and her helpers from the Royal Society of Chemistry.



It was a fantastic evening conducting scientific experiments with the Kitchen Chemistry Kit that Ann has developed, with Cubs learning about acids, bases, solids, liquids and gases using every day things that can be found around the house.



The RSC team was impressed with the enthusiasm for the experiments, and thoughtful questions that followed.



Thanks Ann et al. A brilliant evening.

Louise Athersuch - CSL Dons 1st Chertsey

District Diary 2015-2016

Changes and additions shown in red

January 2016

(School starts 4th)

Sat 16th Active Support Dinner
Sun 24th Scouts A to Z Challenge
Sat 30th Cubs Big Splash

February 2016

(Half term 15th to 19th)

Tue 8th District Executive meeting
Sun 28th Scouts Cooking Competition

March 2016

(School ends 24th)

Sun 6th Cubs Cooking Competition
Sun 13th Beavers Badge day
Sat 19th Chief Scout Gold Award
Reception (Runnymede Host)
Sun 20th Scouts Shooting

April 2016

(School starts 11th)

Sat 9th Adult & Young Leader skills day
Sat 16th Active Support St Georges
Dinner
Thur 21st St George's day Rehearsal
Sun 24th St George's day Parade

May 2016

Sat 14th Cub Fishing Competition
Sun 15th Beaver Ramble about
Mon 16th District Executive meeting
Fri 20th Scouts Football

June 2016

(Half term 30th May to 3rd June)

Sat 11th Scout Fishing Competition
Sun 12th Beaver Paddle day
Sat 18th Cubs SCRAM 2016
Thur 30th District AGM

July 2016

(School ends 22nd)

Mon 18th District Executive meeting

August 2016

September 2016

(School starts 5th)

Fri 16th to Sun 18th District Centenary Cub
Camp / Beaver Celebration

October 2016

(Half Term 24th to 28th)

Fri 9th to Mon 12th Active Support Weekend
Away

Sun 16th County Cubs cooking
Competition
Mon 17th District Executive meeting

November 2016

December 2016

(School ends 21st)

Sat 3rd Cubs Big Day Out
Wed 7th Cubs Christingle Centenary
Service

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