

# Scouting in Runnymede

## Capitation 2018/19

At its meeting in early February the District Executive Committee agreed a budget for 2018/19 and to an increase of 50p in the District element of capitation.

HQ and County capitation will also rise by 50p each, so the total subscription for 2018/19 will be £42.50. This represents an increase of 3.7% on the current year. As the table below shows, the District element at £7.00 is still lower than in 2015/16. This is due in large part to the profit from the District shop, which makes a valuable contribution to the District's finances, as well as giving rebates back to Groups. Thanks, Andy, for all your sterling efforts.

	2015-16 (old system)	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
HQ	21.00	25.50	26.50	27.00
County	5.80	7.50	8.00	8.50
District	8.10	6.50	6.50	7.00
Total	£34.90	£39.50	£41.00	£42.50

Invoices based on the 2018 census numbers will be issued to Group Treasurers shortly.

***Richard Mason - District Treasurer***

## Bar to the Award for Merit

The District has pleasure in announcing that Richard Mason, our District Treasurer has been awarded the Bar to the Award for Merit.

Richard has been our district treasurer since May 1994, that's 24 years of sterling service. He started his Scouting career as an Assistant Cub Scout Leader, a post he held from 1962 to 1967, and has served as an Executive Committee member for 5<sup>th</sup> Addlestone and 1<sup>st</sup> Egham as temporary Group Treasurer, and has trained replacements to a high standard.

Richard continues to offer the District and all our groups his expert advice and experience to ensure that all the Scout Association and legal obligations are in place and up to date, coupled with his knowledge of both banking and insurance business which he is only too willing to pass on to anyone who takes time to ask.

His handling of District funds has lead minimal increases in the district capitation for the past few years, as can be seen above.



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## Cubs Cooking Competition

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Addlestone Headquarters, saw 8 teams of cubs from around the District assemble to demonstrate their culinary skills in this year's cooking competition.

The challenge was to prepare and cook a main course of "Chicken Casserole" with at least 1 fresh vegetable, and Cheesecake dessert. They were allowed an hour and a half and were set a budget of £10 for 4 portions of each, with a tasting plate for the judges.

All teams worked well together and demonstrated good regard for hygiene and safety. The variations on the menu posed a challenge to the judges, who after some deliberation reached the following outcome.

**1<sup>st</sup> place – team "Sizzlers" from 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Addlestone Lions.**



**William Hooper, Ben Hallet, Ryan Foley & Thomas Huffer**

The "Sizzlers" will now go forward to represent Runnymede District at the Surrey County Cubs Cooking competition on the 24<sup>th</sup> March. We wish you good luck.

**2<sup>nd</sup> place – team "New Haw Nibblers" from 2<sup>nd</sup> New Haw.**



**Lilly Austin, Sophie Breakwell & Pippa Austin**

**3<sup>rd</sup> place – team "Karate Cookers" from 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Addlestone Lions.**



**Peyton Scott, Ava Curren & Antonia Chandler**

Well done to all the Cubs who took part.

*Editor*

## Cubs go Donutting

On a very cold February morning, 18 cubs from the 1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Addlestone Lions Cub Pack descended on Guildford Ski School for a morning of donutting. This is one of the favorite events of the year – after all what is not to like – sliding down a slope in the sunshine?



At first the cubs were very enthusiastic running up the hill dragging their donuts, but by the end they were very hot and tired.



This went for the leaders and parents too who were "helping" the cubs down in their donuts. It is a shame this has not yet hit the Olympics, but I think if ever it does, our cubs are in with a chance!

**Penny Lympany-1<sup>st</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Addlestone Lions**

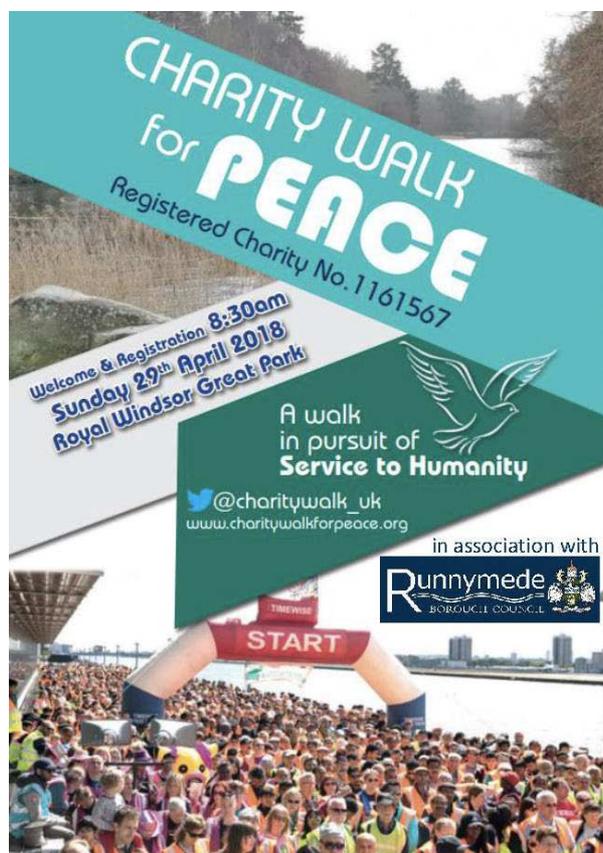
## The Charity Walk for Peace 2018

The event is being run by the Mayor of Runnymede, Ifti Chaudrhi, and his church, the Ahmadiyya Muslim Association. It is a sponsored charity walk through 5 miles of Windsor Great Park. We are expecting 4,000 people to attend on the day.

### **The Charity 'Walk for Peace' - Sunday April 29th, 09:00 – 12:00**

From a fundraising perspective, it is a fabulous opportunity to raise money for scouting. The Ahmadiyya church will fund match any money raised via sponsorship on the day. If 20 cubs joined in the walk, and each child managed to raise £25 in sponsorship that would total £500. The Ahmadiyya will then fund match that amount, making the group £1,000 in total. The Ahmadiyya hope to raise a million pounds on the day for local charities..! This is the tenth year the walk has been organised.

I have been appointed by the Mayor as the charity coordinator for Runnymede. Due the munificence of the event, charities from all over the UK want to join the walk and places are limited. I want to make sure we get as many Scouts groups from Runnymede involved as possible.



For further details please contact Nigel King at:  
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## Founders Day

Founders Day is the time when Scouts celebrate the birthday of Robert Baden-Powell the founder of Scouting. Robert Stephenson Smyth Baden-Powell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell, was born on 22 February 1857. Also known as B-P or Lord Baden-Powell, he was a lieutenant-general in the British Army.

We covered quite a range of activities to make the cubs aware of the history of Scouting and particularly Cubs. We even had a special visit from the man himself (well a look-alike anyway)



Cubs were originally known as Wolf Cubs and we had a Grand Howl, but it was the original version with the famous DYB (do your best) and DOB (do our best) included. Some of us (me) were Wolf Cubs and managed to explain what was going on. To make it more authentic we dressed up some of cubs to look the part, shorts and caps, but just missing the long socks and garters.



We learnt more about BP, the left handshake and the Cubs listed things that would show how they Do Their Best and also how as a group they could Do Our Best. We played some games out of the history book that wolf cubs would have known.

***Bagheera 1<sup>st</sup> Virginia Water Cubs***

## Situations Vacant

The District Executive have been advised by George Kerr that he is stepping down from his positions of "District Secretary" and "District Appointments Secretary" at the District AGM, therefore the district are looking for a person or persons to fill the vacancies. Anyone who would like to know more about the jobs, and/or apply, please contact Andy Sainsbury-Brown the District Commissioner.

George will be greatly missed in his roles, which he has carried out with great effect.

### **Exec Committee**

## District Diary 2018

*Changes and additions shown in red*

### March 2018

*(School Ends 29<sup>th</sup>)*

Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Beavers Go Cook
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs Cooking Competition
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts Shooting Competition

### April 2018

*(School starts 16<sup>th</sup>)*

Thur 19 <sup>th</sup>	St George's Day Flag Practice
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> - TBC	Active Support St George's Dinner
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	St George's Day Parade

### May 2018

*(Half term 28<sup>th</sup> to 1<sup>st</sup> June)*

Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>	Cub Fishing Competition
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> to Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	National Archery Championships
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	District Executive Meeting
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> /Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	Beaver Native American Sleepover
TBC	Scout 5 a side football
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs Football Comp.

### June 2018

Sat 16 <sup>th</sup>	Scout Fishing Competition
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Beavers Bazzaz
Thur 28 <sup>th</sup>	District AGM

### July 2018

*(School ends 23<sup>rd</sup>)*

Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> to Sun 8 <sup>th</sup>	Explorer Gilwell 24
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	District Executive meeting

### August 2018

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Active Support – Shooting & BBQ
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### September 2018

*(School starts 4<sup>th</sup>)*

Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> to Sun 16 <sup>th</sup>	Cubs District Camp
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### October 2018

*(Half Term 22<sup>nd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup>)*

Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> to Sun 7 <sup>th</sup>	District Scout Camp at Walton Firs
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> to Mon 15 <sup>th</sup>	Active Support Weekend Away

### November 2018

### December 2018

Copy date for next issue <b>21<sup>st</sup> April 2018</b> Email: <a href="mailto:chris.couzens@ntlworld.com">chris.couzens@ntlworld.com</a>
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