

Future Events

Around Town Challenge 24th March 2012

A day of exciting challenges and activities spread across town.

Travel by bus or foot.

Lunch & dinner included!

Trophy for winning Team.

Is your Patrol up to the challenge?

Colonel Woods Camp 15th to 17th June 2012

Camp as a Patrol.

Cook your own food.

Large wide game.

Woodland skills (axe & Saw).

Archery.

All Scouts welcome, help will be on hand if needed.

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Details of District Scout events can be found on the District website. Click on 'Scout Information' in the bottom left hand side of home page.



STEVENAGE DISTRICT SCOUTS



Scout Events
Autumn 2011



Born 2B Challenged (County) 30th September – 2nd October

County Patrol camping at Harmer Green. Details on County website (see back page).

Jamboree On The Air Saturday 15th October

A day of communications activities for Scouts and Explorers. See inside for details.

Remembrance Day Parade Sunday 13th November

Annual parade. More information from your leaders nearer the time, usually 10am meet (full uniform and coat) in Primett Road car park, behind Waitrose.

Green Beret Challenge (County) 18th–20th November

Assault course, orienteering and day and night incident bases at Tolmers campsite.

Night Hike Saturday 3rd December

An incident night hike around 8 to 10 miles of Hertfordshire countryside. See inside for more details.



"As well as gaining an extra two nights away, Scouts also get a chance to cook and camp by themselves and take part in a few fun activities along the way"

Colonel Woods 2011 Boyd Field

Colonel Woods, was held in June at Boyd Field, Henlow. Seven Patrols from the First, 5th, 7th, Chells, and Knebworth all camped the weekend with a Patrol from Symonds Green spending Saturday with us. Patrol camping and cooking was the highlight of the weekend.

The camp provided an opportunity to meet and chat with Scouts from the other Troops in town while camping, cooking and having fun into the bargain!



The programme included the following:

A wide game that saw Patrols locating and deactivating a 'noise bomb'!

Camp gadget building.

Patrol cooking.

Fire-lighting and cooking in tin foil bags. This year meatballs in a tomato sauce with rice was on the menu. Some excellent food was cooked.

Archery and Patrol challenge that involved building a gadget to sort different size balls.

Axe and saw work.

A relaxing Saturday evening around the camp fire. A great atmosphere as many of the other campers on the site joined us for the evenings entertainment.



JOTA Communicator Badge Course 3:00—6:30pm. Costs £3



A session of activities working towards the communicator activity badge. Includes tuning in a radio receiver, logging stations, making contacts over the radio, finding out how radio waves travel and the codes we use on the radio.



If you complete all the activities you will receive your badge.

Look out for the letters in September or

sign up on the District Website address on back page

District Night Hike



The challenge:

- Enter a team of between 4 and 7 Scouts and navigate yourselves through 8 to 10 miles of Hertfordshire countryside by foot.
- The usual 'incident bases' will be found along the route to challenge your Scouting skills in the dark!
- Trophies will be up for grabs for the fastest walking time, the highest score on the incident bases and an overall Night Hike trophy.
- Take up the challenge and be a nocturnal Scout for the night!

Entry forms and full details will be available from your leaders & on the website in October.



"The Night Hike even counts towards Area 4 of the Creative Challenge"





To take part just fill in the form available from your Scout Leader or on the District Website & return to your leader or the District Scout Shop.

"You can just turn up and make a radio contact, but you must book for the electronics and badge course!"

Jamboree On The Air (JOTA) Saturday 15th October District HQ, Poplars

If you interested in making radio contact with Scouts and Guides from around the UK, and the world for that matter, then JOTA is for you!

A day of communication related activities for Scouts and Explorers. You can also build a small electronics circuit. This year we are building a crystal radio which will pick up an AM radio signal such as Radio 5 Live, no battery required! Places will be limited so apply quickly!



Build a crystal radio
1:00–3:00pm. Costs £6

A chance to build your own simple radio.
No battery or power required!

All parts are supplied and you can take the completed project home.



"Most of the Outdoor Challenge requirements are completed during Colonel Woods"



The results were as follows:

Cooking Competition

Winner: 1st Knebworth

Runners Up: Chells

Colonel Woods Camping Competition

Winner: First Stevenage &

Runners Up: 1st Knebworth



Scout Archery Day Sat 22nd October 1:00pm or 2:30pm 5th Stevenage Air Scout HQ



An opportunity to take part in an archery session with other Scouts from around the District. Leaders running the session are GNAS qualified archery instructors. Sessions last about 1 hour 15mins

5th Stevenage Air Scout HQ, Shephall View, Stevenage SG1 1RL

Cost will be £2 per session

To book your place contact Andy by e-mail or phone:

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"46 Scouts are now well on their way to gaining the Adventure Challenge"

Scout Adventure Day Fairlands Valley Park

The second District Scout Adventure Day was held at the beginning of July. Once again the weather was kind to us and 46 Scouts enjoyed Sailing, Canoeing, Climbing and Shooting in Fairlands Valley park.



For some it was the first time they had tried these activities, for others it was a chance to improve their skills. We were joined by Simon, our new District Commissioner who took to the water in the rescue boat.



By taking part in the activities on offer, you have completed the practical elements of the Adventure Challenge. All you have to do to complete the challenge is to choose three of the activities and find out the safety rules, the environmental impacts and where you can continue the activity if you liked it!



The District team are looking forward to seeing you all next year for another action packed day of adventure.



Chief Scout Gold Award



Congratulations to the following Scouts who gained the highest award of the Scout Section last term:

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| Peter Allen | First Stevenage |
| Sam Larke | 2nd Datchworth |

Well done to everyone. As well as the badge (which can be worn on your Explorer uniform), you will receive a certificate from District, a card signed by the County Commissioner and an invitation to attend the next Mayor's Chief Scout presentation evening, which are held twice a year.

Talk to your Scout Leader if you want to know more about this award.

District Scout Event information by e-mail



If you would like to receive an e-mail copy of the information letters that are sent out for District Scout section events, then please e-mail the address below requesting to be added to the 'Scout event information list'.



You won't receive any junk e-mail and your address will not be passed on to anyone else.

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