

Northampton District Cub Scouts Leaders Meeting

Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday 13th June 2018
Held at Will Smith - Overstone

Meeting started at 19:45

Those Present: Esther Phillips (ADC, 38th), Pennie Crow (38th) Graham Tew (30th) Tracy Spires (49th) Claire Baxter (56th) Charlie Mackenzie (27th) Oliver Bazeley (16th) Kat Woodgate (11th) Guy McKeacy (11th) Mike Rushton (1st W) Alistair Brooker (22nd) Alan Facer (36th) Mel Minor (46th) Chris Robinson-Smith (47th) John Hunter (34th) William Seager (5th) Ian Rivett (36th) Jon Brinkman (1st W) Karen Simpson (43rd) Audrey Pearce (43rd)

Apologies: Adam Kerr (16th) Mark Cookman (2nd) Rachel Baker (23rd) James Mahony (13th) Tracey Alex (23rd) Sara Phillips (43rd)

Esther welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined that most of the meeting would be taken up with the details for the forthcoming County Cub Camp. Esther did say to those packs who were not attending CCC if they so wished they could leave the meeting after the other agenda items had been covered.

Gang Show – 9th – 12th May 2018 Esther asked the meeting for feedback – Show very good including the Cub Gang preferred the Derngate. Gang Show need to promote more – maybe visit groups to try inviting families as well as members. Packs may want to try and subsidise the ticket price.

Rockingham Speedway – The packs who went from the District said that the event was very good. Nice evening, informal and the cub scouts enjoyed themselves and lots of families in attendance. The packs that went would definitely do it again. Disappointment as no bases to support the cyclist badge ie no tyre changes, bike maintenance etc.

Twycross Zoo Trip – 6th – 7th October 2018. The packs who applied to go on this event have now had confirmation. Packs attending are 1st Wootton both packs, 16th Duston, 22nd Whitehills and 27th Parklands. A question was asked about cheques not being cleared – Esther has written to Tom to query.

District Diary – Esther asked the meeting if everyone now had sight of this. Everyone is seeing this but the meeting agreed that Esther will keep circulating just in case.

District Face Book Page – Esther confirmed that she will be sorting this over the summer and this will not replace email updates.

District Leaders Weekend – AGM 14th – 15th July – Esther outlined this event to all leaders in attendance. Leaders asked the question about child care. Full details have been circulated to all leaders via email.

Archery & Shooting Competition booked - 13th October 2018 – please support this event.

Cub Scout Challenge Day - 17th November 2018 PHC and top field are booked. Esther will prepare a promotional flyer asap and circulate this to give out to cub scouts when they return after the summer. Cost approx. £5 per to cover costs. Tea, coffee, squash will be available. The day will run on bases provided by each pack – passports to be issued and the day run on a Challenge Badge. It was agreed to organise this event via email – Esther to come up with options and circulate.

District Cub Camp 2019 – Esther asked the meeting if they wanted another District Cub Camp to be organised in 2019. In short the answer was yes and the date of the 21st – 23rd June 2019 was discussed. Cost approx. £25 per head – the weekend to be run along the same lines as last year with central catering, packs to bring bases etc. **Esther has now booked Overstone 21st – 23rd June 2019 Whole Site.**

Date for Next Meeting – 17th October 2018 – Venue TBC

The remaining part of the meeting was to discuss the forthcoming County Cub Camp.

County Cub Camp – 29th June – 1st July 2018.

1. Packs booked in – Esther confirmed at the meeting the list of packs booked on.
2. Some packs have not yet paid – Esther will chase separately.
3. NAN Forms – Each Pack must complete and email Esther & Craig their NAN form by – Tuesday 19th June latest.
4. Risk Assessment forms – each pack must complete a risk assessment for own camping area only – Esther needs these by the 25th June latest – no form no go sorry.
5. Esther confirmed the names of the 5 sub camps and their sub camp leader's names. Details of the sub camps are attached on the email sent with these minutes.
6. Site Map – included with these minutes.
7. This camp will follow a drop and go system for all parents dropping young people to camp. Can you get health forms in prior to camp please – if a parent needs to talk to a leader then they will need to park in the short stay car park and walk up to the drop off zone.
8. Esther read through the leader's information sheet – this is attached to the email with these minutes.
9. Can all packs ensure that their parents are made aware of the subcamp colour/name ready for pick up. Pick up will be a "park and collect system". Parents will be asked to park in the car parks and then walk up to the sub camps to collect their children.
10. The County Camp Programme was discussed and is circulated with these minutes. Esther suggested that packs may wish to purchase some popcorn for their cubs for the cinema screenings. No sweet van this year. Cold drinks and candy floss will be available around the cinema showing times only. Films being shown are Incredibles and Lego Batman.
11. Please promote dressing up for the weekend.
12. Activity list – Esther went through this and a copy is circulated with these minutes.
13. Shooting forms must be completed. Bands will be given to any young person who is NOT permitted to shoot. Esther suggested that packs to go shooting in packs and take their forms with them.
14. Bog Squad – As Northampton District is covering security for the weekend we are exempt from this duty – yes you can thank me in wine after the event lol!
15. Craft Tent assistance – please support this as much as you can and sub camps are being asked to support – please see attachment to these minutes.
16. Security – Esther has already circulated the security rota for this event – please ensure you are down on the main gate in time to hand over any issues to each other.
17. Parent's info pack has been circulated if you wish to use this.
18. Personal hygiene – washing must be done on own sites please not in the toilets.
19. Esther requires a name and telephone number from each pack as a "keep in touch" system whilst on camp as we are not on the same sub camp. I will endeavour to try and visit you all over the weekend but I will be circulating messages if I feel you need to be made aware of anything.
20. Esther will be holding a "get together" for all packs on site at 15.30 hours on the Saturday in Moulton's Dining Tent... please look for the red and gold flag.