

Diary Dates

Autumn 2009 Programme

SEPTEMBER

Thu	10	Welcome Back & Intro. Games	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	17	Good to Cook	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	24	Road Safety Evening	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-

OCTOBER

Thu	01	Home Safety Evening	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	08	Air Activities: Week 1	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	15	My Hobbies	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Sat	18	CAMBAD 2007	Abington Campsite	10:00 - 17:00	£7.50
Thu	22	Night Hike	26th HQ >>> Newmarket Road	18:30 - 20:00	-
Sat	31	HALLOWEEN SLEEPOVER	26th HQ (Logan's Way)	10:00 - 12:00*	£20

NOVEMBER

Thu	05	Bonfire Night	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	12	Air Activities: Week 2	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	19	Nativity: Week 1	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Thu	26	Nativity: Week 2	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-

DECEMBER

Thu	03	Nativity: Week 3	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-
Sun	06	District Beaver Xmas Party	54th HQ (Shirley School)	TBC	£7
Thu	10	Nativity Performance	18th HQ	18:30 - 19:45	-

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TermTime



BANG!

Beavers Get Scientific
at the 2009 County Beaveree

18th Cambridge Edition

Sun, Sea and Sand at Summer Beaver Sleepover

18 Beavers from the 12th, 18th and 26th Cambridge Colonies have enjoyed a day of sun, sea and sand at the Seaside Beaver Sleepover.

Following an early start, the Beavers boarded a minibus heading the Hunstanton where they would spend the day building sand castles, bathing in the sea and playing games on the beach.

For an added bit of fun, the Beavers were given a chance to bury one of the leaders in the sand, with the majority voting and succeeding to bury Yo-Yo (Simon).

As the evening drew in, the Beavers were treated to a traditional seaside dinner of fish'n'chips before heading back to Cambridge for seaside-themed activities, such as making windmills and chocolate coated apples.

The morning started brightly with breakfast, followed by an early trip to the park to relief some of their energy. On returning however, the Beavers had a number of seaside-themed games to play, with prizes to be won.

Aim and accuracy were all important for the coconut shy, made with coconuts standing up on

baked bean tins. They also had to knock down the tower of tin cans, hook the duck, spin the wheel, and obtain the highest score in magnetic darts, all with wonderful carousel music playing loudly in the background.

The final task was a number of races using space-hoppers. The beavers split into three groups, all competing against each other to win the honour of best racing team.

There was just enough time for a short snack and discussion before home time, with many of the Beavers and leaders revealing their favourite moments from the sleepover.

Jeanette Hogg, Beaver Leader of the 26th Cambridge Colony, said she thought the event went well,

"The beavers have been brilliantly behaved throughout and they've loved every minute of it. Truth be told, it's been a simple sleepover to run but it's been really enjoyable."

Planning is already underway for the next sleepover, which is due to take place over the Halloween weekend in October and may include a trip to a local theme park.

Beavers Get Scientific at Beaveree 2009

800 Beaver Scouts from across Cambridgeshire have gathered at Cottenham Village College for the largest Beaver Scouting event in a decade.

The Beaveree 2009, themed on "Keeping It Real", introduced the Beavers to a variety of activity bases and skills that were practical but unconnected with each other.

Beavers tried their hands at a number of science experiments, cooked marshmallows over an open fire, street danced in the Street Zone and learned a thing or two about safety from the guest policemen.

Despite a horrid start with a cold and blustery downpour, the sun soon came out and it was business as usual.

All participants of the event took home a Beaveree 2009 badge, which they can wear on their uniform, as well as the goo they made in science.

Yo-Yo Completes Long Walk Home

Beaver Leader Simon Gates has completed the 112 mile Long Walk Home challenge he set with the 18th Cambridge.

Starting soon after 2pm on 15th August, Simon headed south covering an average of 20 miles per day, following many county roads and footpath with only his maps, compass and scouting skills to guide him.

As the hike was a light-weight expedition, Simon took the decision not to take a tent, opting for a little comfort at local hotels in Bishop Stortford, Reigate and Crawley. But Day 2 did include a night of open-air camping under a tree at the National Scout Headquarters in London.

Simon arrived at Brighton's Palace Pier 5 days after starting off. He has already announced plans for the "Long Cycle Home", which will take place in August 2010 and may also be offered to members of the 18th Cambridge Scout Troop.

Events taking place in the Autumn Term 2009

Church Parade & Church Fete

The 18th Cambridge have 3 church events this term, starting with the Church Fete on Saturday 12th September. The Group are running a 'Bash-the-Rat' stall between 2-4pm, which may include a campfire sing-song in the arena. There will also be a Harvest and Shoebox Services in October/November.

CamBAD 2009

The ever-popular Cambridge Beaver Activity Day returns in 2009 with another day of themed activities. It will be held at Abington Campsite (Little Abington) on Saturday 17th October between 10am-5pm. The cost of this event is £7.50 and includes a hot meal and snacks throughout the day.

Halloween Sleepover

Be scared, be very scared! This term the Beavers have an opportunity to take part in our special Halloween Beaver Sleepover. We'll be taking advantage of a special funday at Gullivers Theme Park, then spending the night completing a number of spooky crafts. The sleepover will take place at the 26th Cambridge HQ on Saturday 31st October. Cost is £20.

District Beaver Xmas Party

The District Beaver Xmas Party will encompass all the great features of a traditional kiddies party but on a very large scale. The Beavers will start off by playing seasonal party games followed by a party snack and an entertainer. To finish off, everyone will be greeted by our special seasonal guest...and may even walk away with a present or two! It is taking place at the 54th HQ (Shirley School) between 4pm-6:30pm on Sunday 6th December. Cost is £7.

Contact Information

If any of your contact details have changed over the summer, please let us know as soon as possible. In particular we need to be kept informed of any changes to the contact telephone number, address or ICE (*In Case of Emergency*) numbers.

E-reminders and the Web

Weekly notices by email will continue in the autumn term for all those who have submitted a valid email address on the contact forms. If you would like to receive e-reminders but have not yet signed up, please email skg24@cam.ac.uk and we'll get you added to the mailing list.

The 18th Cambridge Scout Group website has also been updated with the latest news and information. Why not take a look at: <http://www.18th-cambridge.org.uk>

Membership Fee (*Subs*)

Subscription payments for the Autumn term (*September-December*) will be collected between 10th-24th September inclusive. The cost of the Subscription is £18 for the term, which covers membership, activity costs and facility hire. Cash or cheque acceptable, with all cheques made payable to "18th Cambridge Beaver Scouts"