

# DIARY

Note: New entries into the diary are in bold characters.

## Sections Dates: 2009

May 9/10 County Activities W/E Mepal  
 Jun 7 Beaver 2009 Cottenham VC  
 13 Scouts at Cardington  
 Oct 3/4 Cub Challenge W/E  
 10/11 Peak Challenge - Scouts  
**Nov 7 Marathon 2009 CUSAG**  
 Dec 15 CaSE Expedition to Gambia  
 2010  
 Jan 15 CaSE Expedition to Gambia

## Leader Training Dates: 2009

May 9 Module 10 Whittlesey HQ  
 9/10 Modules 16 18 Abington  
 16/17 Modules 16 18 Abington  
 30 Module 10 Cambridge  
**Jun 6/7 Module 9, 11, 14 & 15**  
**Module 12 & 19**  
**Hinchingbrooke/Cromwell**  
 July 11/12 Practical Course(16Hrs)  
 Crafts Hill  
**11/12 Modules 5, 7, 8 & 17**  
**Modules 13 & 18**  
**Hinchingbrooke/Cromwell**  
 Sept 12 Module 9, 11, 14 & 15  
 Sept 13 Module 10 Nene Orton  
 School  
 13 Module 12 & 19 Granta  
 or Crafts Hill or Ely  
 Oct 10 Modules 5, 7, 8 & 17  
 Oct 11 Modules 13 & 18 Granta  
 or Crafts Hill or Ely  
 Oct 18 Module 10 Cromwell  
 Nov 14 Module 10 Newmarket  
 TBC Module 36 Cambs.  
 07 Module 25 54<sup>th</sup> Cam HQ  
 Dec 13 Module 10 Wisbech HQ

Note: All applications for training courses should be sent to:

Mrs. Cindy Abbott  
 22 Masefield Avenue, Eaton Ford  
 St Neots, Cambs. PE19 3LS  
 Tel: 01480 215513

Email:  
[courses@cambridgeshirescouts.org.uk](mailto:courses@cambridgeshirescouts.org.uk)  
 Application forms from your LTM or LTA

## General County Dates: 2009

May 7 Core Team Slepe Hall  
**11 County Exec Old Bridge**  
 Jun 15 DCs Meeting- Old Bridge  
**July 2 Core Team SLepee Ha;;**  
**20 County Exec Old Bridge**  
**Sept 10 Core Team Sleeppe Hall**  
**14 DCs Meeting Old Bridge**  
**21 County Exec Old Bridge**  
**Nov14/15 Regional DCs Conference**



# CAMBRIDGESHIRE NOTICEBOARD



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## From the County Commissioner

We are well into the new year with some great activities taking place, winter camps whilst cool were a great success and most people managed to keep dry, the weather is now improving and thoughts are turning to more outside activities, weekend activities and the traditional camps held over the longer holiday weekends.

Members join us for camping, activities, challenges, new experiences, and adventure in a disciplined, structured organisation, we provide all this and much more, lets make this a focus our work over the coming months.

We are approaching the AGM season and I provide some points below, a fuller document is on the County web site.



Minutes The Minutes of an AGM can only be approved at the following AGM.

Accounts The AGM is "to receive and consider the annual report of the Group/District/County Executive committee including the annual statement of accounts"

The Executive committee must scrutinise the accounts and approve them at a meeting prior to the AGM, the accounts form part of the executive committee's report to the AGM.

Two further points regarding AGMs.

1. There should be no matters arising at AGMs as anything brought up at a meeting should be dealt with by the Executive committee at its subsequent meetings.
2. The AGM does not require AOB as the AGM is a formal reporting and appointment meeting, not a general committee meeting.

In our bid to maintain high standards and a good experience for our young people some of you may remember a book called "Camping Standards" perhaps if you do not have a copy ask one of your longer standing leaders if they have one, just see how much is still relevant and can be applied to today's Scouting, maintaining our standards in all areas is fundamental to the ethos of Scouting.

Thank you for all you do for Scouting, but most of all please make sure you and your colleagues at your Group continue to enjoy what you are doing, as it is only when we each enjoy our various roles will we continue to do them with enthusiasm, dedication and that extra commitment that makes all the difference.

**Richard Hames**  
 County Commissioner

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## St George's Day Awards 2009

### SILVER WOLF

*In recognition of service to Scouting of the most exceptional nature*

Rita Lusmore District Scout Fellowship Member  
Cromwell



### BAR to the SILVER ACORN

*In recognition of further specially distinguished service*

George Devine District Scout Fellowship Chairman  
ACC (International)  
UK Africa Scout Fellowship, HQ.



Phil Garrett DCC ACC (Explorer Scouts)  
County Scout Network Commissioner  
County Executive Member Cambridgeshire

### SILVER ACORN

*In recognition of specially distinguished service*

David Allen GSL 1st Ely Ely



Elizabeth Burgess BS Assistant 2nd Nene (St Peters)  
Nene

Timothy Burgess AGSL 2nd Nene (St Peters) Nene

Michael Butler Group Exec Member 1st Whittlesford & Duxford  
Granta

Martin Clark District Exec Member Crafts Hill

Donald Cook District Exec Member Nene

Alison Duley CSL 1st St Neots Hinchingsbrooke

Peter Foster ACSL 1st Histon Cambridge  
District Scout Fellowship Member Crafts Hill

Austin Hill District Supporter Hinchingsbrooke

Nigel Poulter CSL 1st St Marys, Over Crafts Hill

Chris Ward DCC (Communications) Cambridgeshire

Jane Warren DC Appointments Secretary Training Adviser  
District Nights Away Adviser Hinchingsbrooke

Geoff Nicholls ASL 6/17th Cambridge Crafts Hill

## Stop the Rain Tax Campaign

Changes are planned for the way water companies charge non-domestic customers, including Scout Groups, for the disposal of rainwater.

In the past, organisations like Scout Groups and places of worship have not been charged for the surface water which runs into sewers.

The changes are not universal but will affect Scout Groups who own or lease their Meeting Place and who have water services supplied by United Utilities, Yorkshire Water, Northumbrian Water or Severn Trent.

### The likely costs?

An average Scout Meeting Place with associated parking will most likely be subjected to an increase in costs of around £400 a year.

We think this change is unfair. If all water companies across the UK (with the exception of Scotland and Northern Ireland, which have separate rules) applied these charges then the cost to Scouting each year could be around £1.5m.

### Can we stop this change?

Put simply, Yes.

First check your water company. Check if your Group gets its water services from United Utilities, Yorkshire Water, Northumbrian Water or Severn Trent. These are the companies who are looking to implement these changes immediately. If your Group owns your Meeting Place you could be liable for these costs.

### What can we do next?

As part of our campaign the Scout Association is researching what the impact of these changes will be. You can help by completing the survey on surface water drainage charges available on [www.scouts.org.uk](http://www.scouts.org.uk)

The Association is looking for local Scout representatives who can help campaign on this issue, make the Scouting voice heard and gather the evidence of the impact these changes could have. In return, participating Groups will receive regular campaign updates detailing what they can do to help lobby OFWAT, the water regulator, and the national Government on this issue.

If you are prepared to join the campaign please email: [water@scout.org.uk](mailto:water@scout.org.uk)

## More funding opportunities:

**Youth Bank** is for young people in Cambridgeshire to apply for money to support their own ideas or projects. It is aimed at 13-19 year-olds, and each part of the application process **must** be done by the young people themselves! All applications are also assessed entirely by young people too. More info: [www.youthbankcambs.org.uk](http://www.youthbankcambs.org.uk)

**Lefevre Trust** provides funding to support projects that improve understanding between the UK and France by enabling young people aged 11-19 to visit a partner group. All groups are eligible to apply and the Trust aims to provide opportunities for young people who otherwise may not have the possibility to engage in an experience with France.

More info: [www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-france-lefevre-trust.htm](http://www.britishcouncil.org/schoolpartnerships-france-lefevre-trust.htm)

**Awards for All** will close but equivalent funding will be available through Arts Council England, the Heritage Lottery Fund, Sport England and Big Lottery Fund, which administers the current scheme.

For further details see [www.awardsforall.org.uk](http://www.awardsforall.org.uk)

## Weekly Canoe Sessions in Peterborough for Fun and Awards Training

This opportunity is primarily aimed at young people in Fenland, Medehamstede and Nene although Groups in other Districts may also be interested. Sessions are open to individual Scouts, Explorers, Leaders and Parents.

The Canoe Club meets on the River Nene at Milton Ferry Bridge (entrance into Ferry Meadows off the old A47 between Peterborough and Castor). Tuesdays - 7pm to 9pm (arrive at 6.45pm) - commences 5th May 2009

Unfortunately this year there is no provision for Group bookings. It is not organised as a Group Activity and therefore, Leaders do not need to accompany their Scouts. Regular attendance is necessary because canoeists are progressed through canoeing qualifications.

Cost is £5 per annum (club membership) and £3 per week for equipment hire

For a booking form and further information contact Anne Brown. Telephone 01733 241006 or mobile: 07802 403551

## Awards - January 2009

### AWARD for MERIT

*In recognition of outstanding service*

Raymond Andrews ADC (Scouts)  
District Nights Away Adviser  
Crafts Hill



Ian Braybrooke ADC (Cub Scouts) Newmarket

### County Census 2009

2009 has already provided another good result demonstrating that the County has grown again and this time by 3.6% over the last year or 249 members more than 2008 giving us a total membership in the County of 7,197. This represents a 2.6% increase in youth membership but an 8.0% adult increase which is even more exciting, it clearly shows that despite the doom and gloom merchants, more adults are willing to become involved in Scouting today and stands us in a very good position for the future with 105 more adults in Cambridgeshire Scouting than this time last year.

Census	2008	2009	Change	%
Cambridge	1,141	1,192	51	4.5%
Crafts Hill	795	829	34	4.3%
Cromwell	814	874	60	7.4%
Ely	426	485	59	13.8%
Fenland	661	654	-7	-1.1%
Granta	536	527	-9	-1.7%
Hinchingbrooke	786	769	-17	-2.2%
Medehamstede	478	499	21	4.4%
Nene	633	616	-17	-2.7%
Newmarket	628	685	57	9.1%
County	50	67	17	34.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,948</b>	<b>7,197</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>3.6%</b>

I am confident that even those Districts that have shown a decrease in membership over the last year have plans in place to grow significantly in the future. But I must congratulate Ely, and Newmarket Districts in particular for some steady planned development which is clearly paying dividends.

Over the last four years the County has increased from 6,400 in 2006 to 6,697 in 2007, 6,948 in 2008 and 7,197 today, that is the equivalent to adding a good sized District to the County over the last four years, 797 members or a 12.5% growth.

As I have said before numbers are not the whole story and I reiterate that now, but a Group that is well run and active, with an exciting program that involves everybody grows and attracts support from many angles.

Continue the work and Well done.

# Training Report First Quarter 2009



We in Cambridgeshire have started the year with a bang, last year we had 9 Woodbadges awarded; this year it is 23 Woodbadges gained in the first 3 months, congratulation to all recipients and thank you for all the work the training team and TA's have put in to achieve this. These achievements are across the county and the leaders are detailed below.

## Woodbadge List 2009



No	Name	Position January	District
1	Graham Smith	SL	Ely
2	Chris Brickel	GSL	Cambridge
3	Chris Brickel	SL	Cambridge
4	Rob Farrington	GSL	Cambridge
5	John Wallman	GSL	Cambridge
6	Richard Grenfell	AESL	Crafts Hill
7	Linda Porter	ADC CS	Cambridge
8	Ian Kennington	SL	Fenland
9	Andrew Wright	ACSL	Cambridge
<b>February</b>			
10	Kimberly Day	CSL	Newmarket
11	Marion Botting	GSL	Newmarket
12	William Holiday	ACSL	Cambridge
13	Nigel Owen	SL	Hinchingbrooke
14	Karen Ferris	ABSL	Cromwell
15	Leon Lattion	ABSL	Crafts Hill
16	Darren George Muff	SL	Hinchingbrooke
17	Avril Bishop	ACSL/ABSL	Hinchingbrooke
18	Timothy Stopher	DESA	Newmarket
19	Colin Brook	SL	Newmarket
20	Peter Nigel Edwards	ASL	Cambridge
21	John Wells	DESC	Ely
<b>March</b>			
22	Jeremy Racher	ACSL	Cambridge

# Communications Update

## County Website Development

The focus for the County Communications team so far this year has been on the website and it was pleasing to see so many people turn out for the Website Review meeting in March.

Thanks to James Smith, Mike Rolfe, George Thompson, Tony Best, Chris Wood, David Robinson, Richard Carpenter, Giles Williams and Louise Clover for your enthusiastic contributions (in the meeting or beforehand) and to Pete Edwards for helping me to facilitate the review.

Everyone agrees that the County Website is a great way to keep in touch with existing and potential Scouting members whether they are young people, parents of young people or prospective volunteers. In 2009 it will be four years since we launched the current website ([www.cambridgeshirescouts.org.uk](http://www.cambridgeshirescouts.org.uk)) and now is a good time to take it's development forward again.

Following on from the Website Review Meeting, I am putting together a plan of action to concentrate on both the short and long term development of the website. If you are interested to help out with this then please let me know.

## Media Development

Cambridgeshire was well represented at Gilwell Park in March for the Media Development Manager and Young Spokespeople Training Day. I am encouraged and pleased to see a number of Districts in the County taking the development of their media teams seriously.

Explorer Scouts attending Young Spokespeople Training were:

Philip Taylor – Fenland  
Zoe Pallister - Medehamstede

Media Development Managers attending the training were

Janet Kempson – Crafts Hill  
Geraldine Law – Newmarket  
Glen Vincent - P.borough Media Team  
Sharon Pallister – Peterborough Media Team

A BIG thanks to David (Rusty) Robinson for providing minibus transport for the team

If you are interested in getting involved in Media Development in your District, either as an adult volunteer or young person, then there are further training opportunities as follows:  
27/06/09 – Birmingham  
11/07/09 – Bath

## Communications Meeting – 14/05/09

I am planning a County Communications Meeting for Thursday 21/05/09, 7.45pm to 9.30pm. The venue is to be determined but likely to be in the Huntingdon/St Ives area.

The agenda will include:

- Review of communications and media team activities in 2008/09
- HQ and County media plans for 2009
- Development of website and County PR material

All welcome but please let me know if you would like to attend so I know how many to expect!

**Chris Ward**

Deputy County Commissioner (Communications)

as the other cubs. He needed help with washing, toileting and feeding and would only allow me and one other leader to help. The second night he was sharing the sleeping compartment with the other cubs, they were helping with the feeding and washing and he was having fun - I had over 30 very special cubs!.

Not a lot of people know that I first flew when I was 40, learnt to ski at 50, went on an expedition to Ghana for a month with Explorer Scouts at 60 and have a bus pass!!

I have completed the London to Brighton cycle ride twice, been stretchered off a mountain in Switzerland and I am still only five feet tall.

What next, who knows?:

***Well done Jane and congratulations on the recent award of Silver Acorn.***

**Contact Chris Ward if you have a truly amazing story to tell about your Scouting experience. It's true; adults in Scouting are ordinary people who do extraordinary things**

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## Forward 2009

Forward 2009, the annual incident hike for 10-14 year old scouts and guides was held on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March. 161 participants from Cambridgeshire scout troops and guide units took part and they had 7 hours to walk the 10 mile route (plus an optional "Bonus" route) to gain as many points as possible by attempting the challenges at the checkpoints along the way. This years challenges involved: starjumps to gain pieces of rope to tie knots with, a first aid scenario, a river crossing logic puzzle, a smarties relay and the CUSAGC CSI challenge where the teams had to solve a crime scenario. While the points awarded for the challenges varied widely, all the CUSAGCers were impressed by the enthusiasm that the scouts and guides showed for the tasks, especially when they were tired at the end of the day.

This years Scout trophy winners were the Salamander patrol from the 5<sup>th</sup> Cambridge. The Guide winners were the 3<sup>rd</sup> Cambridge with 794 points. Congratulations to both teams for their efforts. Well done to all the teams for your hard work and good behaviour – we hope you all enjoyed it enough to want to enter again next year.

## Marathon Challenge

CUSAGC run another hike event open to members of The Scout Association and Girlguiding UK aged 14+ (including leaders!) called Marathon Challenge. This year will be held on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November. If you are interested in finding out some more information as it becomes available then please contact Clare Grout (Scout and Guide Liasion Officer 2009-10) by email ([saglo@cusagc.org.uk](mailto:saglo@cusagc.org.uk)).

So far this year we have completed the following courses:

- Two Multi Module weekends in Peterborough
- 5 getting started courses around the county
- 3 Module 10 courses (First Response)
- 2 Practical 16 hr First Aid courses
- Many validations and drop-ins

We ran our first Training Advisers conference for more than 50 TA's in April, if you are not on it we have not forgotten you, as we will be running more. We are always looking for people to join our active training team and help us build on our success over the last few years and this year. If you wish to help please speak to me or your LTM, you will always be welcome and you can work in your group or within the District or at County if you wish. All training appointments are county appointments.

Courses are filling fast, so book on early. The two module 16 courses in May already have 25 people on them and as such are nearly full, so if you need Module 16 get yourself booked on quickly.

**Chris Halliday**  
DCC (Adult Training)



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## Gilwell Winter camp

Scouts and Explorer Scouts from Cambridgeshire joined 2,500 others from across the UK to have their own winter adventure, attending the Scout Association's annual Winter Camp in January 2009.

The young people braved sub zero temperatures to camp at Gilwell Park International Campsite and Activity Centre.

Winter Camp takes place every January and provides the opportunity for Scouts and Explorer to take part in over 70 adventurous and fun activities ranging from abseiling to zorbing. More than 1,800 boys and girls aged between 10 and 18 along with over 600 adult volunteers enjoyed the experience of sleeping in tents for two nights, cooking on open fires and a packed programme led by a team of 200 volunteers.

Chief Scout Peter Duncan who over the years has tried out loads of adventurous activities at home and abroad said, "Adventure is at the core of Scouting, and the Association passionately believes in helping getting young people outdoors doing adventurous activities...even in the middle of winter."



The picture shows Scouts of the 28<sup>th</sup> Cambridge Scouts enjoying the weekend

## Cub Scouts show support to Servicemen



Cub Scouts from the 18th Cambridge Scout Group have been busy raising money to support the families of servicemen and women.

The Cubs traded hiking boots for running shoes in an effort to run as many laps of the Arbury Town Green as they could in 45 minutes, to raise money for SSAFA, the Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association. However, it wasn't only about the running, as Cubs were set a number of Scouting challenges along the way.

The 24 Cubs managed to complete a combined 400 circuits, raising £367 for SSAFA in the process.

Mark Brown, Young Leader with the 18th Cubs and organiser of the event commented;

"We're extremely pleased by how well the boys have applied themselves in raising this money. Many of them know friends of family who have served in the armed forces and this money will go along way to support those families currently serving in times of Remembrance."

John Pawley, representative for SSAFA was pleased by the Cubs efforts;

"It's great to see the Cubs doing a fantastic job raising money for charity, but also that they had a lot of fun doing it."

A few weeks previous the Cubs were given a talk about four charities and were asked the pick the one they would like to raise money for. Among the candidates were the International Red Cross, a Cheshire Children's Hospice and Oxfam, but SSAFA won by a fair majority.

The presentation of the cheque by the 18th Cubs to SSAFA coincided with the 90th Anniversary of Armistice.



## Scouting Adults; Ordinary People doing Extraordinary Things

Chris Foster, Scout Association Press Officer is keen to create case studies about adults



in Scouting who manage their lifestyles to be able to do some amazing voluntary youth work with our young members. Hinchingsbrooke District Commissioner, Jane Warren was recently interviewed by Chris and this is what she had to say:

"During the day, I work for the Registration & Coroners Service at Cambridgeshire County Council mainly doing an administration type role. My job is very varied and part of the role involves the Nationality Checking Service and Citizenship Officer. I now live alone, my son lives in Scotland and my daughter and her family in America.

In Scouting I am currently District Commissioner for Hinchingsbrooke, Queen's Scout Co-ordinator, Explorer Belt Adviser, Duke of Edinburgh Adviser, Training Adviser and anything else that comes along.

There are so many Scouting highlights for me during the past 25 years.

London Venture, Euro Venture, EuroJam, World Jamboree, Cairo were fantastic and exciting.

Helping to build a large Scout/Community Hall, visiting schools, an orphanage and hospital during August 2008 in Ghana was an experience I shall never forget. Rewarding, humbling, thought provoking and just amazing and very privileged to be with a wonderful group of Explorer Scouts who were on the expedition. I was called Mama Jane by the locals.

Sitting on the floor of a Scout HQ listening to a Beaver Scout telling me what he has done to get his Chief Scouts Bronze Award. Going to London with 1,500 Cubs for the day.

I often remember being immensely proud of a small group of Venture Scouts whom I had escorted to their first Jamboree. We had not long arrived when they went to the aid of a Scout who had fallen and badly injured his arm and then they found out that the troop were short of leaders so volunteered to help when they could.

Another occasion was in the early days of my Scouting, I started a Cub pack which had nine special needs children in a pack of over 30. Taking one of the cubs to camp that was confined to a wheelchair and had never been camping before. He was very apprehensive and would not sleep in the same

16 PE26, 69 PE27, 158 PE28, 45 PE29  
1 SG1, 1 SG19, 1 SG4, 1 SG6, 14 SG8

Are we all about to retire? Here is the split according to which decade we were born in:

11 in 1920's	71 in 1930's	181 in 1940's	261 in 1950's
552 in 1960's	271 in 1970's	184 in 1980's	13 in 1990's

And for your amusement, which is the most popular Surname? Clearly we have our share of Browns, Jones and Smiths, but would you have expected Taylors to be in joint 3<sup>rd</sup>-place? Here are the counts for the most popular Surnames:

28 Smith	14 Brown	11 Taylor	11 Jones	9 Young
9 Roberts	8 Wright	8 Wilson	8 Watson	8 Chapman

These statistics were not meant to prove anything. Certainly the 28 Smiths are not all male ASLs born in the 60's and living in PE28! But I hope to have given you some interesting info on who does what where.

*Pete Edwards*

grassroots  
grants

Managed by the Community Development Foundation  
Funded by the Office of the Third Sector

### Grassroots Grants

Not-for-profit voluntary or community organisations, which have been active in their community for not less than 12 months, have a governing document and evidenced income of less than £30,000\*\*\* per annum (averaged over the last three years) can apply for a Grassroots Grants of between £250 and £5,000 for projects that address local needs.

Examples of what can be funded are given below

- Purchase of capital items such as computer equipment, oven or furniture
- Costs of putting on a local event or workshop
- Staff costs to enable the employment of individuals
- Contribution to rent costs (related to activities/service delivery)
- Cost of attending a conference or event
- Training for volunteers
- Additional activities to expand an existing funded project

The 14th and 18th Scout Groups have just received £400 and £1,000 respectively from this fund for new camping equipment. The grants were awarded as part of the Cambridge News Big £25k Giveaway. About 100 community groups from all over the county applied for a share of the money and 30, including the two Cambridge Scout Groups were successful. The picture shows Lake and Loner Falconer receiving £400 on behalf of the 14th Cambridge Scouts.

For further information contact Jane Darlington, Chief Executive,  
Cambridge Community Foundation.  
Email [info@cambscf.org.ku](mailto:info@cambscf.org.ku) or Phone 01223 410535

## Cambridgeshire County Scouts Fishing Taster Session

The County are holding a fishing taster session on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2009** on Jay Lake, Pidley. The idea is to help the scouts with their anglers badge and the county fishing competition with a short 2 hour session. You will be given a start time at the time of booking.

I would like entry numbers of Scouts as soon as possible but will not take them without an entry fee of £3 per Scout. The number of swims are limited and the number you are allocated will have to be verified by us.

As ever we will have coaches to train the scouts, but offers of Leader/Parent Help during the sessions would be appreciated.

### Scouts Fishing Match

It's that time of year when the fish are calling 'catch me', 'catch me'!

The County are holding their annual fishing match on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2009** on Jay Lake, Pidley. Briefing at 1 pm The swim draw will take place at 1:15 pm, match will start at 2 pm and finish at 5 pm.

I would like entry numbers of Scouts as soon as possible but will not take them without an entry fee of £4 per Scout. The number of swims are limited and the number you are allocated will have to be verified by us.

As before, offers of Leader/Parent Help during the match would be appreciated.

For more information contact:

**Arthur Towler** ACC (Scouts)

Tel: 01487 830902

Email: [arthur.towler@btopenworld.com](mailto:arthur.towler@btopenworld.com)



### County Peak Challenge 9/11<sup>th</sup> October 2009

We are organising an incident hike for members of scout age in the Hope Valley, Derbyshire.

The route will be approximately 7 miles.

Camping on a site in the valley.

You will arrive under your own steam and cater for yourself, for more information please contact Martin Webb at [majestic.nb@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:majestic.nb@tiscali.co.uk)

During the last months the Scout Fellowship have been very active within the County, covering many ways of supporting groups, districts and the county.

Once again the Fellowship were present at the Cub Activities Days, marshalling and looking after all the young people and their families. Recently the Fellowship arranged and ran a swimming competition for all sections, they have also helped with cooking for a Beaveree, assisted at sleepovers, had craft evenings and supported and worked with local Gang Shows.

Individual members have taken on the task of supporting local scout groups, where they have helped out at various times with individual colonies, packs and troops when they find themselves short of leadership for a particular evening. Scout Fellowships also support the community in various ways. Many of the Fellowships are involved with preparing and running the St. George's Day parades and services.

There is also the other side of the coin where the Fellowship have a very active and diverse social programme, which includes talks, visits, walks, challenges and eating out.

Fellowships are always looking for new members from outside the movement and within the movement, from leadership who are no longer active with groups but can give a little time.

### John Chambers


ACC (Fellowship).



John Chambers with CaSE Ghana Expeditioner Ross Langford

Because the interface is still fairly new you can leave comments about it using the 'My Feedback' option.

### My Feedback



Provide us with [feedback](#) about this Beta site.

Including:

- Reporting a Bug
- Requesting a new Feature
- Providing general feedback or comments

## How about a few Cambridgeshire Member statistics for 2009?

There are currently 1545 Members registered in Cambridgeshire, who have a total of 1818 roles (some individuals have 5 roles). There are 863 males and 682 females.

Taking just the most recent role, this is the spread amongst Districts:

41 County - 168 Cambridge - 138 Crafts Hill - 193 Cromwell - 132 Ely - 122 Fenland  
154 Granta - 160 Hinchingsbrooke - 126 Medehamstede - 179 Nene - 26 Newmarket

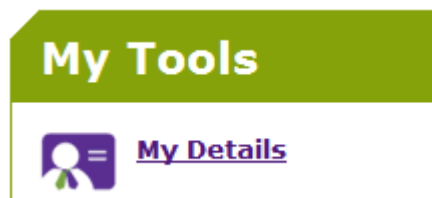
What roles do we have? Here are the numbers of members in basic roles:

69 Group Scout Leader - 14 Assistant Group Scout Leader  
96 Beaver Scout Leader - 112 Assistant Beaver Scout Leader - 19 Sectional Assistant  
102 Cub Scout Leader - 191 Assistant Cub Scout Leader - 14 Sectional Assistant  
83 Scout Leader - 195 Assistant Scout Leader - 16 Sectional Assistant  
20 Explorer Scout Leader - 5 Explorer Young Leader - 27 Assistant Explorer Scout Leader  
188 District Scout Fellowship Member  
96 Occasional Helper  
17 Campfire Circle Member

Where do we live? Here is the split by postcode (ignoring those that live a long way out-of-County):

66 CB1, 18 CB2, 13 CB3, 66 CB4, 23 CB5, 107 CB6, 65 CB7, 38 CB8, 1 CB9,  
6 CB10, 1 CB11, 27 CB21, 88 CB22, 53 CB23, 80 CB24, 47 CB25  
9 IP28  
1 MK41, 1 MK44  
2 NG2, 3 NG34  
23 PE1, 60 PE2, 40 PE3, 54 PE4, 3 PE5, 32 PE6, 83 PE7, 7 PE8, 1 PE9,  
4 PE11, 2 PE12, 38 PE13, 20 PE14, 51 PE15, 6 PE16, 4 PE17, 1 PE18, 62 PE19,

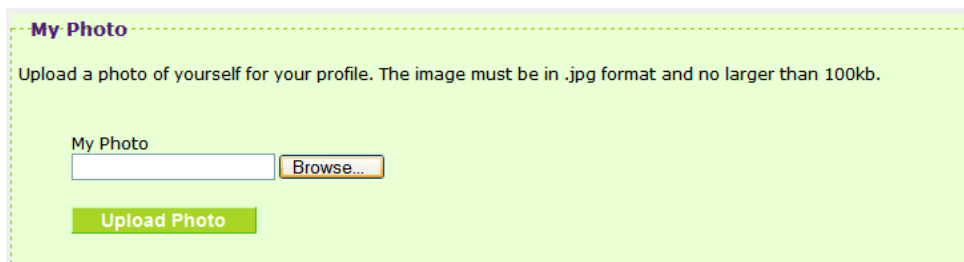
One of the nice things you can now do is to add a small photo to your record – a nice feature as it helps others remember who you are.



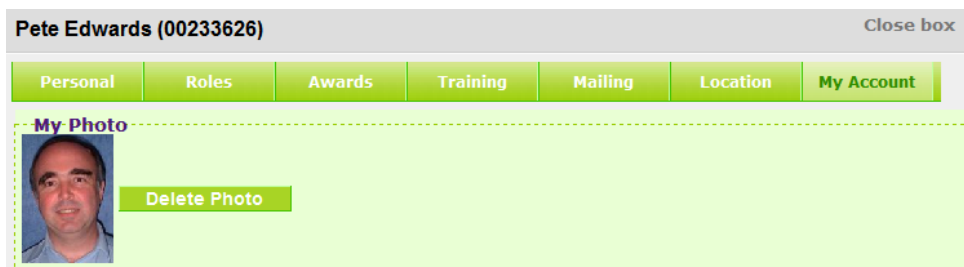
Once you login, you are presented with a number of options in 'My Tools', including 'My Details': Clicking on 'My Details' will pop up a new window with these options:



If you next click on 'My Account', you will see this:



- click on 'Browse' and select a .jpg file such as you can take on any digital camera. Once you've selected a file, click 'Upload Photo' and it will be displayed. Here's mine, so you now have no excuse for not recognising me:



If you have finished, click 'Close box'.

## Why?

*I'm often asked why adults get involved with Scouting, often for many years. Here I try and explain (no sexism intended by using "him"!!!)*

You know that child who joined us, aged 6 with cheeky grin?  
I often wondered what on earth we'd do with him!  
He came with a long list of things he didn't like; I'll list here just a few:  
The dark, spiders, heights, vegetables, getting up in the morning, water – oh any activity that was completely new!

You know that child who joined us, aged 6 with cheeky grin?  
I have now found out, some years on, what Scouting did for him!  
He has a long list of things he likes now; I'll list here just a few:  
The dark, spiders, heights, vegetables, getting up in the morning, water – oh any activity that is completely new!

So that's why we keep going, the leaders and the rest.  
With just a little encouragement we can take that child, with cheeky grin,  
And get from him his best

**Louise Clover** – 1<sup>st</sup> Fenstanton & Hilton

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## Subject: 10th World Jamboree held in the Philippines in 1959.

Please can you help us to trace some "Scouts who attended the above Jamboree"?

We are a small group of "Old Scouts" aged between 64yrs and 67yrs who attended the above Jamboree in July 1959.

We are trying to trace all the scouts who attended this Jamboree. Would it be possible to circulate this request via email, word of mouth etc. as we are planning a reunion sometime in July this year to mark the 50 years anniversary of this very special Jamboree. Those who attended would never forget the wonderful occasion.

The Jamboree contingent consisted on 7 HQ Staff, 3 Scoutmasters, 8 Sam's and 94 scouts. The Scouts and Leaders were divided into 3 Troops, A B & C.

We have the names and address's (now 50 years old) of everybody who attended this Jamboree and to date we have traced 12 people.

Any help you can give us would be greatly appreciated as we are having difficulty in tracing these "Old Scouts".

Please contact myself or the gentlemen below as we all attended this Jamboree.

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## 22nd World Scout Jamboree - Sweden 2011

### *Looking for a new leadership challenge and a once in a lifetime experience?*

The 22nd World Scout Jamboree will be hosted by Sweden in 2011 and will take place from 27 July to 7 August. Based on the theme 'Simply Scouting' the Jamboree will be held on the fields of Rinkaby, not far from the town of Kristianstad, in the province of Skåne, southern Sweden.

Many thousands of young people will camp, live and work alongside each other for 10 days and will come from a variety of different cultures, backgrounds, and religions. Together they will celebrate what unites them and learn what they can do together to help build a better world.

After successful World Jamborees in Chile, Thailand and the United Kingdom we aim to send a Unit to represent Cambridgeshire and we are now looking to recruit a leadership team comprising of 4 adults to lead 36 young people aged between 14 and 17 and selected from all over the County.

Ideally the contingent leaders will:

- be active leaders working with the appropriate age range
- be able to relate well to young people
- have good organisational skills
- be willing to travel around Cambridgeshire for Unit meetings/events etc
- organise fundraising
- liaise with the DCC (Programme Development),  
DCC (Communications) & the Media.

The job of Unit leadership is time consuming, demanding and very challenging, but extremely rewarding.

Details of cost per participant (inc. leaders) have not been finalised.

Interested in this challenge and once in a lifetime experience?

For further information please contact

**Phil Garrett.**

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**Please note: Information enabling young people to apply to attend the 22nd World Jamboree will be circulated shortly.**

## Membership Database update

The interface to the online Membership Database has had a facelift and moved – the login options are now on the main page at <http://scouts.org.uk/>, and it is becoming a more and more significant part of what HQ offers leaders – now including Programmes Online, to help you create exciting meeting programmes. I encourage you all to Register and see how it can help you in your Scouting role.



The screenshot shows the Scouts.org.uk website in Microsoft Internet Explorer. The browser title is 'The Scout Association : Official UK Website - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by AVEVA Group'. The address bar shows 'http://scouts.org.uk/'. The website header includes navigation links: Home, Log-In, Register, Contact Us. The main banner features the Scouts logo and the text 'A YOUTH-LED MOVEMENT' with a photo of a young person. Below the banner are navigation tabs: Join, 6-25, Parent of young person, Adults, KidsOutdoors. The main content area is divided into sections: News, Noticeboard, and Log-In. The News section has a link 'The best Scouting stories of 2008...' (19/12/2008). The Noticeboard section has a link 'National Group Scout Leader Workshops' (04/08/2008). The Log-In section has fields for Username and Password, with red boxes around the input areas, and buttons for Log-In, Forgotten my Password, Forgotten my Username, and Register Now!

Enter your Username and Password where shown. You see there are options for 'Forgotten my Password' and 'Forgotten my Username' as well as 'Register Now' for new users. To Register you just need your Membership Number plus name and data-of-birth. Your Membership Number is on the address label with Scouting magazine, also on your Appointment Card. You can call HQ on 0845 300 1818 if you cannot find it. I can also tell you your Membership Number, and if you have already Registered.