



1st Warsash Wight Pack Cub Scouts

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Dear Parents and Cubs.

Logo Competition

During our last meeting we held a competition to design the new logo for Wight pack. All the cubs had a great time creating their different designs and they were honoured to have the Assistant District Commissioner (Cubs) Mandy Blain and their Group Scout Leader Malcolm Gregory as judges. After a lot of deliberation they announced Ian Verstappen as a close second, with Liam Mulligan as the winner. You will see the winning design on all future Wight Pack literature for the next 12 months (see above). We will be putting all the cubs designs on the web site very soon, so keep a look out as they are really great.

"Cub Warts" Camp

The weekend of 20th - 22nd June saw the district camp at Lyons Copse at which Wight Pack were admirably represented by 13 of our cubs. For the majority this was their first camp and the weather threw everything it could at them, blazing heat, thunderstorms, but they all stayed the course. Hopefully, now that they have had a chance to recover they will have told you that they enjoyed the camp, as it was a hectic two days, moreover I believe all parents with sons that attended should be very proud of their achievement, I am.

Camps do not run themselves and I would like to offer my personal thanks to Richard Aveys dad, Simon, for his assistance preparing the camp Thursday night and also to Connor Guille parents, Matt and Kath who camped with us and helped with every aspect of the weekends events. There were many other offers of help which I did not have to call upon this time and thank you for these, with out your continued support we would be unable to conduct many of these events (please see below).

This is an appeal for a lost neckerchief, Richard Avey returned from camp without his, it was new and had his name in it, please could you check to see that your son did not bring it home with him, if you do come across it please return it to me and I will see that it gets back to it's rightful owner.

"The Land that Rome Forgot" Camp - September 5th - 7th

Moving on from the "Cub Warts" camp, due to the time and effort required to plan and organise a camp we are holding a 1st Warsash Cub camp at Lyons Copse between the 5th-7th September. I very quickly need to get a rough guide of the number of cubs that would like to attend. Please can you pick the phone up and take a minute to call me and let me know either way, yes or no, whether your son would be interested.

I will be looking for some parental assistance with this event, so could you let me know if you are able to help in any way.

Cub Uniform

Though I have only been working with the cubs for 3 weeks, I have seen a major change in their behaviour; for the better I might add, this is partly down to Baloo and myself but the rest is down to the cubs. Uniform is an important part of this process and all the cubs need to wear their full uniform, so that they are all dressed the same and it becomes the norm rather than the exception. Please can you ensure that your son arrives in full uniform to "all" meetings whether at the Scout HQ or off-site.

Fire Station Visit

We will be visiting Fareham fire station next week; Friday 4th July. Please find attached a "Parent Consent" form that will require completion for all cubs that wish to attend this event. The boys will be shown the control room the fire equipment, a fire engine will be taken out the back for them to look over. There will be a KSU (Kitchen Safety Unit) demonstration at 19:45 - the fire brigade have asked that parents arrive in time for this as it is quite spectacular, they set fire to a chip pan of oil and then pour water on it! Camera's, camcorders are welcome.

We need two parents to attend this visit with us and we need volunteers to help transport the cubs, to Fareham, otherwise all the cubs will need to make their own way there? Please call us if you can help.

Subs and Capitation

It is now six weeks since my first letter notifying everybody that subs and capitation were due which was followed up with several other explanations of the costs. Since I issued this information nobody has contacted Baloo or me to ask for further explanations, so I have to assume that they made sense, yet unbelievably there are still a number of cubs for which I have not received these costs.

Unfortunately I am left with no other choice, if I have not received payments for your son **by the 4th July**, I will turn them away from further meetings; including the Fire Station visit, until I have received their subs and capitation. If you are in doubt whether you owe these fees please call me.

Proposed "Swimming" Activity Badge

Due to other commitments I am now unable to conduct this activity in the first week of the summer holiday. Please see "future activities" below.

Cub Information Sheets

Recently you all received cub information sheets and I am still waiting to get some of them back, please could you let me have them back as soon as possible as the records I inherited were incomplete, to the extent that I have no details at all for a couple of my cubs.

Future Programmed Activities

Please see below dates for you diary of confirmed future Pack activities.

- September 5th - 7th - "The Land that Rome Forgot" Camp - Lyons Copse
- September 12th - Ostrich & Sheep Farm visit (re-arranged from the 18th July)
- October 11th - "Swimming" Activity Badge Stage 1 & 3 - Fareham Leisure Centre
- October 17th - Operation "Glow Worm" (for the over 9's)