



Trout Scoop

Trout of the Week!

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Trout Scoop= Articles– write about anything!

Autumn Sunshine and Dusk makes Great riding at Thetford

Jonathan, Andrew, Luke and Iain travelled over to Thetford Forest back in September for a late afternoon / early evening ride. Accompanied by Luke's oldest son and one of his friends. The forest was warm and the trails were very dry and very fast, apart from a few patches of deep sand. We cycled for about an hour with the sun low in the sky, fuelled by chocolate hobnobs, before it became dark enough to warrant breaking out the lights. We then cycled around in the dark, taking in a couple of bomb holes, for another hour. Unusually not much wildlife was seen. Often you see reflections of your lights in eyes through the trees or you have deer jumping out at you, but none of that on this occasion.



Iain & Luke Complete South Downs Way– Yes, Your leaders do get active once in a while!

Back in the summer when it was sunny and warm two of your leaders, Luke Diamond and Iain Stemp, ventured down to the South of England to participate in the South Downs Way Randonee which is a 100 mile off road cycle ride along the whole of the South Downs Way from Winchester to Eastbourne. Setting off in a misty Winchester with 400 other riders at 6am the aim was to reach Eastbourne before 8pm. For the first five hours the weather was misty and slightly on the chilly side, but as soon as the sun burnt off the low cloud the temperature soared. Great views were had along the chalk downs including an impressive aerial view of Eastbourne as the trail neared the end. Both Iain and Luke completed the route in personal best times and were satisfied with their efforts. The event is staged annually by the British Heart Foundation as a fundraiser.

Mountains

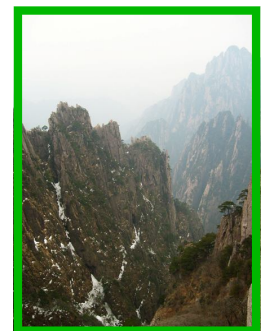
Everyone remembers their first mountain. Climbing mountains is more just part of Scouting. It's one of those things everyone should do before they die. And some of us like to do it again and again. Welcome to Dunkery Beacon.

"It is not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves"—*Sir Edmund Hillary*

"Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So... get on your way."—*Doctor Seuss*

"Doubt makes the mountain which faith can move"—*Proverbs*

"The ordinary man looking at a mountain is like an illiterate person confronted with a Greek manuscript."—*Aleister Crowley*



Join the adventure

The Scout Association

The newsheet of the 1st Histon Scout Troop. Edited by Andrew Stemp & Greg.
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Forthcoming:

Dec 18th - Xmas party/sleepover, 19:30 at the Scout Hut
til 11:30am on Dec 19th

Jan 16th, clear Histon brook.

2010 April 8th-11th ... Reserved for Easter Camp

2010 Sunday April 18th ... Reserved for Abington
Adventure Race

Quote file:

"It's not going to work"—*Toby, as usual*

"Toby did it!!"—*Alex F.*

"What are you doing at the fireworks?"—*Alex D.*

"I haven't exactly asked my Mum yet"—*Sam C.*

"You mean we have to keep the promise?"—probably a good
thing that I can't remember which new Scout said this :-)

"Scouts is great, I'm coming again."—*Alice*

"Don't do anything embarrassing" - *Andrew S* (to his mum, before
he received his Gold Award from the Dty Lord Lieutenant)

"You mean I can join Scouts too?"—*Fifi*

Bravo For the inaugural edition of the "Bravo" column, intended to congratulate those who have shown special commitment and organizational excellence, I thought we would start with a little welcome and Hi to the new guys. Well done, Matthew Bedford, Matthew Clymow, James Martin, Joe Watt, Harry Vining and Nathan Bailey. I think I'll congratulate Alex Headicar too.. and hope that we see him again :-)

by Greg

Not Bravo Just to provide balance to the force, here's a big thumbs DOWN to the 99.9% of you who couldn't be bothered to turn up for cycling in Thetford in October. It's a fabulous game, you should have been begging to come, but we had a rubbish turnout. Here are the rules:

No, it's not too dangerous, and you're not too young. Everything we do is for any Scout from 10 upwards

Yes, you CAN do Scouts without checking that all your mates are doing the same thing. Grow up. It's possible to enjoy things by yourself, or even make new mates. Wusses,

It's up to you to remember things long enough to at least ask your Mum. And you need to read your email. If I don't have your address, give it to me.

Remember, I'm on Facebook. I know that at least half of you kills hours a week playing silly Facebook game and txtng ur m8s. Get off your ass and do some Scouting instead!

And a special **Bravo**

For Alex Davies

A Tribute to Flebbies Everywhere.



Kingfishers Enjoy Chocolate Fondue and James Bond

Kingfisher Patrol met at their PL's house on Saturday evening to enjoy a chocolate fondue where you dip healthy bits of fruit (banana, orange, apple, strawberry) into

melted chocolate. This was followed by popcorn whilst watching Casino Royale.



Code of Conduct 1.0

By The Patrol Leaders

The Code of Conduct of the 1st Histon Scout Troop

- 1: Lateness is to be punished by staying back and clearing the hall afterwards.
- 2: Those who are not silent at the appropriate times are to suffer the same consequence.
- 3: If you are dropped off at the hut, enter the hut or parents will be involved.
 - 4: Escapees will have their parents contacted.
 - 5: Insubordination will have you punished as PLs see fit.
- 6: Violence is not to be tolerated, except as part of an organised game
- 7: Those who are repeat offenders may be sent before the "Court of Honour"

Summer Camp 2010

Horner seems ages ago, doesn't it? Got some good memories of walking up hills, flipping over assault course obstacles, flaming bananas and dams. And I won the water fight!! Hahahaha.

ANYWAY. Where do you want to go next year? We might have decided by the time you read this. But we're looking at canal boating and activity campsites. It won't be the same as 2009. We'll never do the same thing two years running. If you want repeats, you'd have to stick around with the troop a bit longer than that :-). If you have any great ideas, report them through your PLs NOW!