

7th Epsom News



January / February 2019

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Beavers' trees honour environment & WWI ...

Saturday 15th Dec 2018,

18 months after the Beavers sowed their cherry stones, the saplings were ready to be planted in Langley Vale Wood. This is the Woodland Trust's First World War site for England so the Beavers & Cubs are not only helping the environment but also honouring those fallen in



WWI. It was lovely to see ex Beavers (now Cubs) plant their saplings along with new Beavers. Harris said 'It was fun planting my tree but it was very cold and windy'



Milo commented' We made a map of where they were planted so we can come back in 10



years and see how big they get. I think they will be a lot bigger than me by then!' We thank the Church for their

patience in allowing us to use their garden to house the cage and saplings.

by Clare DiPlacito (Beavers and Cubs Leader)

Last Call for Gift Aid Declarations for 2018/9

Last Call - Don't Miss Out, SO QUICK For **free** in under 1 minute you can give us 25% **extra** for the subs you have paid – click here -<https://goo.gl/forms/cKMScYyIZNeBJ7V83>

7th Epsom (Methodist) Scout Group - Gift Aid Declaration - 2018

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THANK YOU

SUBMIT

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..* and press the SUBMIT button.

Voila, you have enabled us to receive 25% extra from the government!

Many thanks for your support,

by Kevin Mead, Group Executive Chairman

Group Diary Dates

February

21st-23rd Epsom Book Fair (Thur-Sat. see article) (<https://www.epsommethodistchurch.org.uk/whats-on/forthcoming-events.html>)

May:

11th [Jumble Sale](#) at EMC (Sat am)
24th-27th Spring Bank Camp @Frylands Wood, Croyden. (Cubs from 25th)

July:

20th-27th Summer Camp (new date) for Scouts & Explorers

September:

20thFri-Sun 22nd Water Weekend
Late Wed in Sept AGM (incl presentations/awards)

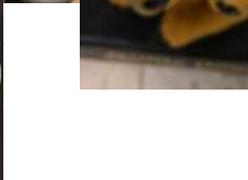
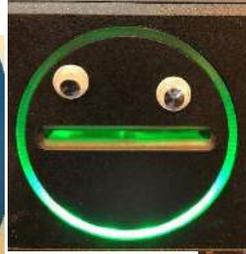
I Spy a Googly-eye! Urban Artistry by Cubs & Beavers...



& Beavers...

When you come across a great activity you know that whether you are aged 5,10 or an adult, everyone will have a fantastic time. The Beavers and Cubs were immersed in urban art via eye bombing!

This is where objects are 'humanised' by



sticking googly eyes on them. Obviously, as Scouts we wouldn't vandalise anything so we did remove the eyes once a photo was taken. I'll let the

photos tell the story of how amazingly creative the Beavers and Cubs were. A massive thank you, as always, to our wonderful parents who always step up and volunteer to ensure these activities happen.

by Clare DiPlacito (Beavers and Cubs Leader)

Cubs & Beavers Meet Mayor Dallen

December 2018



During December Beavers and Cubs each spent a session at the Town Hall meeting the Epsom & Ewell Mayor, Neil Dallen. Dressed in his full robes and regalia, Neil explained about his role, how he became mayor and what the Council did. The Beavers and Cubs took part in a debate and got to ask lots of questions about what it was like to be the mayor.

We are all very grateful to Neil for such an interesting evening and everyone thoroughly enjoyed it – especially the refreshments!



By Kathy Castledine (Beaver Leader)



Chief Scout Silver Awards – 2 Cubs

We are very proud of two of our Silver surfer Cubs, Zoe Lorenz and Samson Cross, who achieved their Chief Scout Silver Award, the highest award in Cubs. Well done guys!

by Clare DiPlacito (Beavers and Cubs Leader)



Chief Scout Bronze Awards – 2 Beavers

We are very proud of two of our eager Beavers, Tyler and Charlie from Clearwater Colony, who achieved their Chief Scout Bronze Award, the highest award in Beavers. Well done boys!

Kathy Castledine, Clearwater Beaver Leader

Madagascar Expedition 2020 – the journey begins!



A number of Scouts/Explorers & leaders camped together in January where we had great fun and got to know each other. It may have been a bit chilly but after a few rounds of 'Fox & Hounds' and other games we were soon warm enough to decide between us the ethos of the team and reasons why we want to go on the expedition.

The weekend ended with a parent/carer meeting where everyone took part in a presentation of our weekend's work.



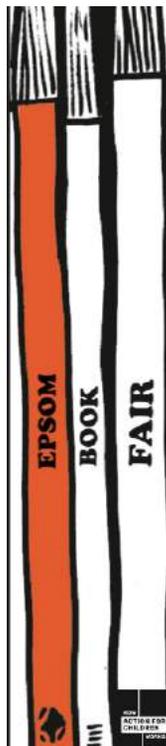
Numbers committed to the expedition are 23 young people and 8 leaders. The team is starting on our preparations and fund-raising for projects in Madagascar. We will keep you informed about our progress.

by Paul Carpenter on behalf of the Leader Team – Madagascar 2020

EPSOM BOOK FAIR – helpers needed

Sat 17/2 @7pm

Sun 23/2 @4:15pm



EPSOM BOOK FAIR

21ST - 23RD FEBRUARY 2019

AT EPSOM METHODIST CHURCH,
ASHLEY ROAD, EPSOM KT18 5AQ
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THE FINAL DEADLINE).

EPSOM METHODIST CHURCH
WELCOMES ALL CHILDREN

The Book Fair relies heavily on the Scouts for its success. There are two tasks in particular where lots of help is needed for a short time:

- 1) Sunday 17 February at 7pm for about one hour, as many volunteers as possible are needed – scouts, explorers and parents – to shift boxes of books from the scout hall to various locations in the church.
- 2) after the Fair we need help at 4.15pm on Saturday 23 February to clear up – carrying boxes of books to a waiting lorry, clearing tables and so on.

Charity & church volunteers also help and the whole job should take about an hour and a half.

Last year the Fair raised £37,500 of which £6,500 was donated to 7th Epsom Scouts. Please come along and help so we can do as well again this year!

By Jacqui Raggett (EMC coordinator)

Scout clarinettist Tomas Lorenz in Lord Mayor's parade in London

10 Nov 2018



Tomas marching in London as part of the Lord Mayor's parade, we are so proud of him!

by Clare Knight (Scout Leader)

Tomas is loving the band despite not having been playing for long. Kingston & Malden Scout & Guide band are really welcoming and he's taken part in 6 performances this term.

They meet at Tolworth girls school on a Monday night and are always looking for new members. I would definitely recommend them.

by Alex (Tomas' mum)