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Newsletter

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What's happening:

- * Important dates for the months ahead.....
- * Help out—we need your support

Summer Camp 2011..... Templars Park—Abredeen.

Summer Camp 2010 seems a distant memory—especially having just made it through all the snow—but with the longer days now with us—thoughts move to Summer Camp 2011....

stick to all Scouts. Keep the stick as your Scout information one.

The confirmed dates for 2011 are 6th

to 13th August— we have confirmed a booking at Templars Park—a Scout Campsite on the banks of the Dee just outside Aberdeen— let the leaders know now if you would like to come along



Claire and the girls made a snowman— well it was the snowman camp—but can you guess who it is!

To remind those who were at summer camp of just how good it was we produced (eventually!!) a slideshow movie. We gave this out on a memory



Summer Camp last year at Spean Bridge near Fort William



Bag Packing—it was worth the effort

The hours spent bag packing in the run up to Christmas paid of (literally!) - the Group gained £1700 from your efforts—Well Done..... And with a further £1200 from the Christmas post—we have made a significant contribution to Group funds. Everyone who took part in the bag packing will get credits to put toward future camps—we will confirm the lists later in the month.



Parents—can you help grow the adventure.....?

Parents - we need your help.....

We have the parent rota—and that's great—really helps out—and for those who have come along hopefully you see the need when we have upwards of 30 youngsters in the hall at once. We have 14 on the waiting list at the moment (and it's growing) - the only way we will be able to grow the group—and bring more youngsters into the adventure is by getting more adult assistance. Please let us know if you have any skills that might be useful—from plumbing to archery—we can put it to use—and it can be one off assistance—or a more regular commitment

What we really need to sustain the group is adults in uniform. Have a look at the Scout website—www.scouts.org.uk

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Zodiac—the challenge.....

The Zodiac Challenge is split into three stages—Bronze—Silver and Gold. It is a challenge badge for Scottish Scouting which looks to get Scouts out camping in all months and in different places. Details of the challenges will be sent out and we will keep track of progress

towards the challenges on a wall chart in the hall.....get out there (and get a warm sleeping bag!!!!)



Out canoeing on Lochore—we'll do more of that this year.....



Liam enjoyed the camp at Barwood last September—but it was pretty cold at night

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We really have gone high tech—not only the 2nd

Fife website—but now a Facebook page—2nd Fife Scouts—get on there and find out what's going on



Official snowball fight at the Snow Man Camp—Badaguish in February—and did it snow!!!!!!!!!!!!.....

Do you get e-mails about the activities in the troop—if not then we don't have the correct e-mail address for you—make sure you keep up to date and give us the best e-mail to contact you on



The Jamboree on the Trail (JOTT) Hike enjoyed excellent weather—here's hoping this year is as good!



We have now got 42 in the troop—including the Scubs who have just moved in and are now officially Scouts..... That's a lot to fit in our wee hall— but here's how we have split you all into patrols. After the summer we will loose 10 to the explorers and gain another 3 from the cubs—and with 2 coming in from the waiting list— we will be at ??? (How good's your sums?????)

In Touch—a new way of keeping in contact at activities

The way we communicate with parents when on activities—and even when we are at the hall - has changed. It's now called "In Touch". You should all have had a copy of the In Touch details for Scout Meetings at the Hall. Please let us know if you haven't, and we will get you a copy. The important thing is that we have the correct contact details for you when you are at an activity—so please get the responses back to the leaders



Cameron gets some air on Wolftrax—but did he land it?

Willie Robertson Trophy -



Well done to Rhona Wilson—Greg Ritchie—Ross Hughes and Callum White who came a very close second in this years Willie Robertson competition—great effort.



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Diary Dates for 2011

April 22nd—24th— **Gibb Bugle Selection Camp** @ Nineacres

Sat May 7th—**Training hike** for Ben Nevis Trip—senior scouts only.

May 14th—15th—**Gibb Bugle Camp** @ Fordell—selected patrol only

Sat 14th May—**JOTT Hike**— day hike near Nineacres (Jamboree on The Trail)

May 27th—29th— **Cub & Younger Scout Camp** @ Nineacres— limited

numbers for younger Scouts (under 12) and Cubs

June 10th—12th—**Ben Nevis Expedition**—for the Senior Scouts as part of the Expedition Challenge

Tue 21st June—**Raft Race** @ Townhill Loch

August 6th—13th **Summer Camp**— Templars Park—Aberdeen

September 23rd—25th **Troop Camp** @ Nineacres



Last years Ben Nevis conquerors—well done—and already planning this years expedition!

Patrols—getting bigger with the new arrivals



Falcon Patrol
Stuart Clark PL
Rhona Wilson APL
Callum Hutchison
Atholl Cameron
Callum White
Euan Kidd



Kingfisher Patrol
Liam Anderson PL
Donald Robertson APL
Christopher Morgan
Thomas Telfer
Duncan Fergusson
Sam Eadie
Ross Robson



Hawk Patrol
Andrew Clark PL
Owen Milne APL
Ross Blair
Hannah Milner
Niamh Blanski
Jamie Stewart
Harry MacKinnon



Eagle Patrol
Cameron Davidson PL
Andrew England APL
Euan Riggans
Kyle McCallum
Ben McCann
Jordan Hunter
Kieran Mitchell



Kestrel Patrol
Alistair Main PL
Greg Ritchie APL
Alasdair Wilson
Lewis Buchan
Murray Wood
Ben Galvin
Euan McCallum



Swift Patrol
Euan McElwee PL
Callum Thomas APL
Neal Henderson
Matthew McCluskey
Ben Martin
Ewan Pennie
Jamie Baxter