**Minutes of the Oxford Road Scout Leaders**

**30th June 2014**

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| Present | Phil, Barrie, Luke, Martine, John, Caroline, Bob |
| **Apologies** | Sam, Liam, Shane, Katie, Chris |
| **Welcome** | Caroline Gibbs who is joining as a new cub leader |
| **Section updates** |  |
| **Beavers** | 2 more to invest – 8/9 on the waiting list – will be beavers to go up after the summer. Should have their Bronze awards by then  Sam validated on her training – Liam has started  Leaders looking to go on special needs training and harmonised learning  Getting OSM up to date with youngsters  Working on health and fitness badges |
| **Cubs** | 17 cubs – movement of 3 cubs to go to Scout in Sept (Issy, Poppy, Danny) – could come up last week of term - Bob will go down the cubs to introduce himself. Aim for them all to have silver award.  Training – Rita should have been validated – Ralph to confirm. Phil to talk to Keith about Chris.  Programme – healthy eating/fire lighting  Caroline getting ready to look after OSM – needs updating. |
| **Scouts** | 12 scouts – attendance better following a note to parents  New adult coming along to turn out before committing plus a Dad coming along as an OH  Working on camp skills and food hygiene  Planning Star Wars camp either Nov or Feb  May B/Holiday will have weekend camp  Will not be running in the holidays |
| **Update from GSL meeting** | Skills day suggestions – making map reading interesting, knotting, camp kit and rucksacks, geocashing  Need to keep up to date on Training Katie to be validated  District keen to have as many youngsters camping as possible – ensure the County Activities website is up to date please which our nights away  Will be a Cub camp in May 2015 at Gilwell, 6 nights - £1309 plus food  Request for beavers to sleep over with 22nd if possible – Luke to take a look  District looking at an award ceremony for the top awards  Young leader leader appointed – Cathy Mustill – now don’t have to go to Explorers to be YL will be some training for them to do as YL  Compass membership system – MMS disappearing at end of August – DBS will stop 14th July for the changeover. Should be able to access the new system by end Sept – **please ensure your youngstes are up to date for the transfer from On line Scout manager.**  Wings on Wednesday we should have 7 if not 8 cubs going to the event  District directory will be out soon with any changes you have sent in. |
| **Family camp** | All agreed that this was a very successful first event!  Have picked up a few parent helpers from the event  We need to send out material sooner next time and dedicate leaders to particular tasks  Dave Weaver suggested letting him know if we wanted an activity box making up for Camps. Please let Dave know of any equipment issues you have and please see his tent peg message! |
| **Oxford Road Fun day 12-4pm** | Set up from 9am  Will need mess tent, Coleman and gazebos putting up  Risk assessments to Luke  Beavers running craft and strawberries and cream  Scout manning a hot dog stand  Tuck shop and tea tent |
| **Annual Calendar suggestions** | Harvest Festival 5th Oct 14  Beaver/Cub handicraft 11th Oct 14  Fireworks 31st Oct 14  Remembrance day 9th Nov 14  Swimming Gala 22nd Nov 14  Christmas Fair 6th Dec 14  St Georges Day Parade 26th April 2015  Family camp in June 2015  Fun day 11th July 2015  Scout Star Trek Camp  Scout camp in Holland  Cub Camp  Beaver sleep over |
| **AOB** | * The cash box used for Football teas has had a second amount taken from it – short by £25. We will need to have the end room out of bounds and be careful with the key access including to youngsters. The cupboard key is no longer in the key press. * Barrie said for the account for the first Q £2500 in surplus there are some expenses for the camp and we must remember we need £2000 for the membership fee * If sections want to do air activities Barrie kindly offered to help with his flying experience * Bob mention the Cub football tournament he was looking to organise with David the Saturday football guy |