



Scouting News

October 2006

From the Chief Scout

There's going to be a buzz around our Centenary Year and it's going to be a real adventure to welcome in the next 100 years of Scouting.

The movement is a million times bigger than when it first started and I can't wait to help lead it forward into another century full of adventure, challenge and excitement!

Scout from around the world will be showing the amazing things that young people can achieve when they join together!

Peter Duncan – Chief Scout

A word from the Area Commissioner

In summer 2007, 40,000 scouts from almost every country in the world will be camping at Hylands Park, Chelmsford to celebrate Scouting's Centenary. Meanwhile, every Member of Scouting in the UK will take part in 52 weeks of Centenary celebrations.

Wales will be sending more young people to this Jamboree than they have before and the biggest representation in Wales will be from Gwent.

Across the UK, every Member of Scouting is preparing to take part in 'Join in Centenary', a year of 2007 related programme ideas. Highlights will include the Centenary Camps in May where as many members of the Movement as possible will be under canvas at the same time. Meanwhile, on August 1st 2007, Scouting's Sunrise public celebrations will take place from 0800hrs as part of a global celebration of 100 years of Scouting.

Also, from January 2007 Scouting goes 'fully mixed', meaning that every Scout group in the country will be open to girls and young women.

John Hodgetts - Area Commissioner

Now for a lesson in Compass

I once asked a Scout if he knew how to find the direction, without a compass, but using a wrist watch. "Yes" he replied, you take the wrist watch off, take hold of the end of the strap, swing the whole thing vigorously around, let go, and the watch goes west"

Botany Bay Campsite

It has been decided to issue a Campsite Badge for the Area Campsite so we are looking to all you budding artists to come up with a design??

The badge will need to be kept inside a 3inch by 3inch square or 3inch diameter circle

Please send you entries to the Gwent Area Office, Trelleck Road, Tintern, Chepstow, NP16 6SN or by Email to

areaoffice@gwentscout.freeserve.co.uk

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What activities are your Group going to get involved in during Scouting's Centenary Year?

Attached to this Newsletter are details of the Year as supplied by the Agent 2:007.

Will you be part of it? Then ask your Leaders. If you are a Leader then ask your District Representative on the 2007 Committee.