

5TH SUTTON COLDFIELD EAST SCOUT GROUP

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Welcome to our Cub Pack!

We've put this sheet together to provide you with some of the information that you will need as a new member of our Group, so if there are any glaring omissions, please let us know and we'll be able to improve this welcome note for other new starters. Similarly, if you have experience of the Group from Beaver Scouts or Scouts please excuse any repetition.

Yours in Scouting,

Akela

Tim Shaw

Cub Scout Leader

Thank you for choosing 5th Sutton Coldfield East Scout Group and we hope that your son/daughter really enjoys his/her time with us.

check out our website: www.5thsuttoneast.co.uk




About the Group

Our Group consists of a Beaver Scout colony for 6-8yr olds, a Cub Pack for those between 8 & 10½yrs and a Scout Troop for youngsters from 10½-14yrs. The Group Scout Leader, Brian Stacey, who co-ordinates activities of the Group in relation to the Church and the community is currently working in Dubai and Tim Shaw is Acting Group Scout Leader.

We have a Group Executive Committee that exists to help with the business part of the Scout Group and parents are key in assuring a functional and enthusiastic committee. We really need parent representation on the Executive Committee so if you can help out, we'd be really grateful - just let me know. Our current Group Executive is listed below.

GROUP CHAIR	Kirsty Hill
GROUP TREASURER	Clive Hawtin
GROUP SECRETARY	Jacqui Parsons
PARENT REPRESENTATIVE	Liz Kirsten
PARENT REPRESENTATIVE	Jo Turner
PARENT REPRESENTATIVE	Tracey Jones
CHURCH REPRESENTATIVE	Chris Shaw
GROUP SCOUT LEADER	BRIAN STACEY

About Cubs

At our Group, Cubs are boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 10½ years. The top award that Cubs can attain is the Chief Scout Silver Award . In order to gain the Chief Scout Silver Award, the Cubs must complete six of the challenge badges



(Fitness, Community, Promise, Global, Outdoor & Creative). In addition to the challenge badges, there are also loads of proficiency badges which can be gained from artistry to home safety and circus skills to Information Technology - these don't necessarily need to be done at Cubs, in many cases certificates and letters from approved parties are more than enough.

The Programme

The purpose of Scouting is “to promote the development of young people in achieving their full physical, intellectual, social and spiritual potentials, as individuals, as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.” Our varied programmes take this into consideration along with the Cub’s evaluation of what we did. We also provide you with an outline of what we have planned to help you with your arrangements.

The Cub Leaders

As we work with young people, all of the leaders and helpers have been checked by the Criminal Records Bureau and have been cleared to work with children. We are all volunteers and give our time freely to work with your child(ren).

Please make the leaders aware of any health issue affecting your child that may affect his/her daily life and don’t wait for us to ask you.

Membership fees.

When your son/daughter is invested into the Group, you will be contacted by our Group Treasurer, Clive Hawtin, in relation to membership fees (often referred to as subscription or ‘subs’). These can be paid in a variety of ways with special terms for those who have siblings in the Group. If you are a tax payer, then please also register for Gift Aid so that we can make your money really work! Current membership subscription is £65 for the year.

It’s important to remember that we want your son/daughter to really enjoy Scouting and would far rather they took part than not. Therefore, in difficult monetary circumstances please feel free to speak confidentially to me or our Group Treasurer, Clive Hawtin

And Finally...!

We see Scouting as a partnership between you as parents, the young person and the leadership team and we hope that you will fully involve yourself with the Group too.

We are a voluntary organisation that relies on your support to raise funds too - without them the only alternative is to increase membership fees which we would rather not do.

Cub Leaders' Details

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Stephen Williams	ACSL	
Lydia Parsons	Young Leader	
Natalie Gent	Young Leader	
Mike Lickorish	Young Leader	
Brad Clarke	Young Leader	
Dave Shipton	District Commissioner	
Dave Evans	Deputy District Commissioner	
Mike Cook	Asst. District Commissioner (Cub Scouts)	

Other Useful Information

- The Group website should be checked regularly
www.5thsuttoneast.co.uk
- The Scout Association has an internet site: www.scouts.org where you can find loads of useful stuff
- We have designed our own 5th S/C East T-Shirt available from the leaders at £6.25 each - ideal for summer & under jumper in winter
- Cub uniforms are stocked at Clive Marks in Wylde Green or can be bought over the internet from Scout Shops online store. Website address is www.scouting.outdoors.ltd.uk/acatalog/
- Badges are provided by the Group when they are gained
- A Neckerchief and woggle will be issued at your son/daughter's investiture.
- We recommend that your son/daughter has a copy of the Cub Scout Handbook (Powerpack). We have a small stock of Cub Scout Handbooks available at £5