

# South East Belfast News



Hi South Easters.

February 2014

You can regard this as a Late Feb or early March edition, as you please. We hope to publish again in late March in time for Easter plans, but as usual anything urgent can be sent to our growing Leader list anytime. All news of plans or successful events are welcome and make the News sheet more interesting for all.

WE PARTICULARLY WELCOME READERS FROM THE NEW GROUP (115th) at Ardnavally. They have little equipment so anything useful will be gladly accepted.

Do read Woodsmoke now and let Maurice know about the hordes of Leaders who will be attending **Safeguarding** on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> at Ardnavally.

You know it is essential, to keep legal, by attendance every 3 years.

Many other events are featured which are there for your benefit so do try to support them.

**First Aid (First Response)** on Sunday April 6th is another requirement every 3 years. You can check if you are up to date on the certificate on the final page of the booklet you got last time you attended. The charge is for the certificate and booklet which is provided. District provides the tuition for free whereas HQ makes a noticeable charge.

#### Two late additions

51<sup>st</sup> are holding a Table Quiz on Friday April 25<sup>th</sup> at their halls on Castlereagh Road. It is a fund raiser for their visit to Kanderstag this summer, but also provides you with an easy programme for that date.

Davy Hanna at 110th has agreed to run a District Scout 5 a side football competition on Saturday March 1st at their base, Rosetta Rd, to determine who will represent our District in the Belfast competition. Please contact him now at <a href="mailto:bananas555@virginmedia.com">bananas555@virginmedia.com</a> if you are interested. We need to let Belfast know our entry asap. If there are only two Groups interested then they will automatically go forward. It will be outdoors if dry and indoors if wet.

That's more than you usually get from me, but onwards now to Woodsmoke.(and don't let it get in your eyes). John





hank you to all groups for returning the census forms on time. I will send out bills before the end of February to GSL/Treasurers. Please try to make your payment by the 9th of March. Cheques should be made payable to SEBDSC and sent to me co/ 127 Ardenlee Avenue Belfast BT6 0AE. Fees are £23.50 per member and £16.50 per squirrel (both include the 50p discount).

On a positive note our District numbers have risen by 13% (an increase of over 70). Well done everyone. In

addition to this we have now retstarted the 115th Scout Group based at Ardnavally and it is meeting on Thursday evenings with Beavers and Cubs. It currently has over 40 members and about 8 new leaders. These numbers are not included in our census this year as the group only started this month. We need some help with experienced leaders calling over to give hand in these first few months. If you are available even if its only a one off or once a month can you please let me know and I can let the leaders know you are coming. A number of leaders from the District have already helped out and it has been appreciated.

Thank you to the Beaver team for arranging the annual uni-hoc held at the start of February. It was a competitive but enjoyable event with five teams taking part. Please read over the calender below to see what events are coming up and contact the organiser if you wish to take part. There are quite a number of events organised now so please support them.

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## Annual Safe-Guarding Courses. Sunday 2nd March 2014

**Course 1** @2pm for new adult leaders, helpers and those who where last trained more than three years ago. I have a list of all those who are currently up to date if you are not sure and will send these out to GSL's for their information. **Course 2** @ 3 30pm for young leaders under 18 who have not been trained yet.

For each course please email with numbers/names as soon as possible.

## **Ardnavally Walk**

This will be held on Saturday 29th March leaving Belvoir Forest car park at 9 30am.

More details from me if required. I will leave round sponsor forms to the various groups within the next few days.

Please let me know numbers taking part by 25th March please. mau.johnston@btinternet.com

#### **First Aid**

This will be held on 6th April at Ardnavally. It costs £5 per person. Please email me names before the 1st April.



# District Cub Scout <u>UNIHOC TOURNAMENT</u> <u>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2014, 7pm, Orangefield High</u> School, Cameronian Dr, Belfast, Antrim BT5 6AW

Entry Details; (please note late entries will not be accepted) £1 for each Cub – Payable on the night, each pack/group shall fill in this form and for each pack/group to enter a team. Each team has to consist of 5 cubs with at least one 8, 9 and 10 year old in each team (Each

Pack: \_\_\_\_\_ Team Name:

pack/group can enter a maximum of 4 teams)

Cub Scout Name; (indicate captain)	Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)
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Signed:	Cub Scout Leader – (print if
email entry) Contact n	umber:
Contact email address:	
Return Form to/or for	any problems contact; Chris Pollock –
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•	RE THURSDAY 27 <sup>TH</sup> FERRUARY

### 37th Belfast Group Minibus.



A number of groups have used the 37th minibus in the past years and have it booked for future events. Unfortunately it was destroyed in an arson attack in Enniskillen at the start of the month. We hope to get another one as soon as possible, but do not know when. As such I cannot guarantee that we can lend you our bus in the near future. Maurice.

## **District Calendar**

Event	Date	Venue	Time	Notes
Sixer & Seconder Weeekend	22nd &23rd February	Ardnavally	10am	Contact Phil Patterson patterson_philip@hotmail.com
District Scout 5 a side football	March 1st	110th	14:00:0	Contact Davy Hanna for more details. Winners will go forward to County Competition DAVID HANNA bananas555@virginmedia.com
Safe- Guarding Course for Adults For Young Leaders	2nd March 2014 2nd March	BP Ardnavally	2pm 3 30pm	Contact Maurice Johnston (mau.johnston@btinternet.com) Two courses - one for adult leaders and one for junior leaders

Belfast County 5 a side football competition	7th March	Valley Leisure Centre	7pm to 9pm	Entry via Davy Hanna (see above)
Cub Uni Hoc	4th March	Orangefield High School	7pm	Chris Pollock chrispollock14@gmail.com
Ardnavally Walk	29th March 2014	Belvoir Park and Ardnavally	9 30am	Contact Maurice Johnston (mau.johnston@btinternet.com)
First Aid Course	6th April	Ardnavally BP Chalet Cost = £5	11 30 am	Contact Maurice Johnston (mau.johnston@btinternet.com)
Beaver Fun Day	7th June	Ardnavally	Mornin g	Contact Debby for more info. ducky_debs@hotmail.com
Cub Camp	June	Ardnavally	7pm Friday to 12 30 on Sunday	Contact Phil Patterson patterson_philip@hotmail.com