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## Southport District Scouts '100 Club'

Hi All

Congratulations this month go to J Lythgoe - member number 80.....Mum of an Explorer at Spearhead. She won £38

Good luck to everyone for next month.

**John, Dorothy, Kath & Norah**  
The Mini Bus Support Team

Southport District Scouts is a registered charity....number 521672  
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## **Lessons in Life**

1. Get rid of everything that isn't useful, beautiful or joyful.
2. Whatever doesn't kill you really does make you stronger.
3. It's never too late to have a happy childhood. But the second time around is up to you and no one else.
4. When it comes to going after whatever you love in life, don't take "No" for an answer.
5. Burn the candles, use the nice sheets, and wear fancy lingerie. Don't save it for a special occasion. Today is special.
6. Over prepare – then go with the flow.
7. Be eccentric now. Don't wait until you are old to wear purple.
8. The most important sex organ is the brain.
9. No one is in charge of your happiness but you.
10. Frame every so-called disaster with these words: "In five years' time, will this matter?"  
(to be continued...)

*"Who hath smelt wood-smoke at twilight?  
Who hath heard the birch-log burning?  
Who is quick to read the noises of the night?  
Let him follow with the others: - for the  
young men's feet are turning to the camps of  
proved desire and known delight."*

*Kipling*



## Waterside Lodge Southport Ltd



## Vacancy for Part Time Joint Administrator

Part time administrator required to job-share at Waterside Lodge which is the Southport District Scout Headquarters.

This job will entail administration duties to enable Waterside Lodge to function efficiently on a day to day basis.

The successful applicant will have:

- Ø Good Communication skills
- Ø Competency in IT
- Ø Proven organisational abilities
- Ø Basic book keeping skills

The administrator is responsible to the Board of Directors. A full job description and specification is available to those expressing an interest. This will not be sent out until at least 10<sup>th</sup> February.

Salary to be agreed.

It is planned for this post to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015 with a 6 month induction/probation period.

Expressions of interest under confidential cover to Waterside Lodge for the attention of David Morton, Chairman, or by e-mail to [doccymorton@hotmail.com](mailto:doccymorton@hotmail.com) by no later than Mon 16<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

This appointment is not restricted to members of the Scout Association however a knowledge and understanding of the ethos and aims of the Scout Association is a desirable quality. Anyone who receives this advert is free to pass it on to any interested person outside the Scouts.

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Southport Scouting continued to be represented at international Scouting events and four Rover Scouts attended the World Rover Moot at Kandersteg in Switzerland in July. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Southport magazine "Assegai" recorded this experience in an article in its December issue:

### **"THE TRIP TO KANDERSTEG**

*Four members of the Rover Crew attended the World Rover Moot held at Kandersteg this year. They left Southport on the 25<sup>th</sup> July and after a short stay in London proceeded across France to Switzerland where they arrived on the following Wednesday. The campsite was situated in a beautiful valley surrounded by high mountains over which the rising sun presented a wonderful spectacle.*

*The next three days were spent between conferences and exploring the village of Kandersteg, and on the Monday the Lotschen Valley, which was reached by rail through a tunnel nine miles long, was visited. A most enjoyable hike up the side of the valley followed until a height of more than 6,000 ft. had been reached from which a most beautiful view was obtained.*

*The next day a visit was paid to Neisen, a mountain some 7,000 ft. high, to the summit of which a funicular railway runs up the mountainside. A most extensive picture of the Swiss midlands is seen from the top, while immediately below, almost hidden by fog; the lovely lakes of Thun and Brienz are just discernible. On the return journey the Blue Lake was visited, a wonderful little lake which lies embedded in an emerald frame.*

*Wednesday was occupied in seeing the Kander Valley and Schwarz Glacier, and on Thursday a visit was paid to Berne, the Capital of the country where the Houses of Parliament, which contain some fine pictures, and the Cathedral were inspected.*

*The camp was struck on Saturday, and, in spite of the rough sea voyage, our contingent arrived home safely, all voting the holiday to be the best ever spent."*

### **Team up with Rotary**

The Scout Association has linked up with Rotary International in Great Britain & Ireland (RIBI) to bring together two organisations committed to helping others and making communities stronger so we can help and support each other with local projects.

Many local Scout groups already collaborate with their local Rotary clubs to run local events or projects that benefit their community. This partnership formalises that relationship and hopes to encourage even more Scout Groups and Rotary clubs to combine forces to have an even greater impact in their local area.

Rotarians may assist with anything from DIY jobs on the Scout premises to assisting with events the Scout wants to put on for the community. Likewise, Scouts may be asked by their local Rotary to help with activities which are suitable to their skill level.

[Find your local Rotary Club](#) to get in touch if you have a local project you could combine forces on.

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**WIRRAL HORN** - February 2015

### **A PAUSE FOR THOUGHT.**

Since childhood I have always been an avid reader of books and to this day still enjoy reading. One birthday, I received a copy of "Robinson Crusoe" which I read with awe and wonder. I often pictured myself stranded on a desert island, but the furthest I got was the garden shed!

This book was written in 1719, the author Daniel Defoe. It appears that Robinson Crusoe was the first survival expert. Many others have followed in the survival footsteps. If you are a certain age you may remember that there was an Australian television series "The Bush Tucker Man" who was a major in the Australian army. Then there were "Lofty" Wise ex S.A.S., Ray Mears and Bear Grylls.

They all mention that the need for water is paramount, then shelter, then "building" a fire for heat and cooking. Watching the experts start a fire with nothing but a piece of flint and tinder is amazing. It seems you start with a spark, then a glowing ember which you need to nurture, this may result in a small fire. More attention will be devoted to grow this fire to something worthwhile.

I would imagine that you have started countless Scouting sparks of interest in young people, which have grown into a fire of enthusiasm as they have continued their Scouting lives.

*"May your God kindle your spark of love, to grow into the fire of care as you serve others."*

**"AARON"**

### **Ebola Response Project from Scouts of Liberia**

**"Not all heroes wear a cape, some wear a Scout scarf"**

**Liberia** – The Liberia Scout Association, with its increasing effort to help appraise the menace of Ebola virus, will launch a nationwide Ebola Prevention and Eradication Project. About 75 Scouts including Scout leaders trained for Ebola combat will embark on an 8-hour daily service to facilitate campaigns on Ebola information, prevention, and its eradication.

The implementation of the said project is empowered by a \$10,500 donation from the Government of Republic of China (Taiwan). The grant was made possible through the concerted efforts of the General Scouts Association of China and Liberia Scout Association. The project will start on 25 January 2015 in 15 highly affected counties of Liberia over a three-month period.