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1st South port (Lockhart) Scouts recently went back to visit Dunham Scout Camp. An old favourite of ours!



We had an action packed week, but a very relaxed one! We started off with a look round Media City. We had our pictures taken in 'The Voice' chair and had an exclusive tour of the new Coronation Street set where we met Brooke Vincent (who plays Sophie Webster).



The rest of our week consisted of going to Drayton Manor, Museum of Science and industry, swimming, Ice skating, kayaking, raft building, Team Building Games & eating. Putting the rafts to the test was the most competitive part of the week. Let just say, most people involved got wet!





With great weather we had a successful week, coming home with lots of stories to tell. *Tracy Hibbs*A.S.L.



Get ready for the 2015 JOTA-JOTI weekend!



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'Learn It Young. Remember It Forever' - SCOUTS South Africa

From South Africa to the other side of the world in 2.2 million views. That's how many Scouts, community members and people are applauding the video 'Learn It Young. Remember It Forever'. The campaigns wider message and Scout motto – **Be Prepared** – depicts how the life skills gained as a Scout could be lifesaving in adulthood. The films director Gregg Bailey puts it bluntly – "(these skills) could be the difference between life or death!"



In the USA, 10,000 miles from Cape Town where the video was produced, **The San Francisco Globe** is celebrating the link between the video and these lifesaving Scouting skills. In their <u>article</u>, they talk about how Scouting is training young people when they are eager for knowledge, and are at stage in their lives when they can more easily acquire lifelong proficiencies that are almost impossible to teach in adulthood but vital for the modern and well-rounded individual to possess.

Whilst the video campaign shows us that Scouts are mindful, trustworthy and skilful members of society, the fact the video has gone viral also shows us that Scouts are a respected, global force. People all around the world have watched this video, and because they were impressed, they shared it with their family and friends. Watch it again here and spread the word.

1st Southport (Ainsdale) Water Fun Day

The 1st Southport had their Annual Group Water Fun Day in the first week of September.

The weather wasn't as warm as we are usually accustomed to but we had sunshine and the threat of gusty weather had disappeared.



Over 50 Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Leaders had a fantastic time canoeing, bell boating, sailing and hunting for pirates and penguins on the island.



We then finished the day off by everyone grabbing their "supersoakers" and taking all 3 Bell Boats and the 2 sailing dinghies out for a mass water battle. (Which the Beavers in the sailing dinghies won because they were the driest at the end of it).



Thanks to everyone who helped make this such a fun day, from the volunteer instructors to our leaders who were on the water and on land organising the groups and providing food for everyone.

Mark Furness G.S.L.

