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48th Southport (Air Scouts) at Liverpool Airport

A great day was had by Scouts of the 48th on Sunday 22nd May as 13 of the section visited Liverpool Airport, however this was the light aircraft area not the normal terminal.



Following a brief visit to the Flying Schools hangar the first 3 Scouts were sent on their way (after a safety briefing!) and departed into clear blue skies. By lunchtime the skies had become a tad overcast - it poured down, it was bouncing, the heavens opened!



At this point the first group of Scouts to visit the tower had been around the radar room and were now at the top in the control room - not much of a view in that weather, you could barely make out Runcorn Bridge. However the Scouts enjoyed the visit and saw planes landing and taking off from quite a different perspective and learnt how planes are given vectors to join the ILS (Instrument Landing Service).



The radar controller didn't get it quite right for an EasyJet as they overshoot by a mile but turned back and joined up; I expect that none of the passengers were even aware of what was going on.



We could also see that the plane we were using for the Scouts' flying was grounded for the time being. Luckily the weather cleared and as soon as conditions were suitable the next group were on their way up. The next trip to the tower was better as blue skies allowed a much clearer view right across the River Mersey and to the hills beyond.



The flying area was mostly over the town centre but views of Goodison and Anfield were also captured on Scouts' cameras. All told it was an excellent day and just after leaving the flying school, a quick vote led to a U-turn of the minibus to a local shop for ice creams.



Happy Scouts = happy leaders ;)



Keith

Note:

Scouting Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum.

If anybody would like to have the General Information including "Getting There", "Parking", "Blue Badge & Mobility Difficulty Parking", I have them and will send them by email if requested.

Brian

Unveiling of the Scouting Memorial at the National Memorial Arboretum Sunday 5th June 2016



We hope that you will be able to join us for the unveiling of the national Scouting Memorial on Sunday 5th June 2016 and be a part of this fantastic day for Scouting.

Please don't worry if you don't have a ticketed place around the Memorial. As you will read below we are broadcasting the ceremony live on a big screen in a more spacious area of the Arboretum to allow as many people as possible to be part of the day. This area is open to everyone, is none ticketed and you don't have to apply or book to enter this area. Everyone here will also get the chance to visit the Memorial later in the afternoon.

Please find below an outline of the day and some critical information that will hopefully help make your day more enjoyable.

Location

The National Memorial Arboretum is on Croxall Road, Alrewas, Staffordshire, DE13 7AR

Outline Timings

From 09:00 The National Memorial Arboretum opens

09:00-11:30 The Scout reception is open. Please ensure you arrive between these times if you have wristbands to collect. We would recommend you arrive by 11am to avoid any disappointment.

11:30 Scout reception closes

11:45 If you have a ticketed place around the Memorial please be in your area by 11:45am

12:00 Access to ticketed areas close

12:10-13:00 Unveiling Ceremony, with live coverage shown on big screen located on the Navy Field

13:00-17:00 All guests will have a chance to visit the Scouting Memorial

17:00 The National Memorial Arboretum closes



For over 100 years Scouting has provided opportunities for young people and helped shape society. **The Promise Path Appeal** is our chance to support more young people along their own path.

The Promise Path will trail its way through the centre of our spiritual home of Scouting, Gilwell Park. Make a donation and you can have your name engraved in the path. You could also immortalise your Scout Group or celebrate a special date with an engraved brick, be it the date of your Promise, the 100th anniversary of your Scout Group or even the date of your first meeting.

By donating to The Promise Path you'll help support Scouting in disadvantaged communities, train adult members, or help the 35,000 young people on our waiting list experience fun and adventure.

Go to scouts.org.uk/promisepath to make your donation to The Promise Path Appeal. Create a lasting memory and support Scouting.

"Pathfinding is the essence of Scouting. It means learning the way for yourself so that you may be helpful in showing the way to others,"

Cubs100 Takeover Day - Alton Towers Resort
Reserve now, pay later!

With over 50 rides and attractions there's something for everyone in your group at Alton Towers Resort.

To celebrate Cubs100, the Wildest Birthday Ever, we'll be offering your packs the chance to take part in 100 activities during their visit to Alton Towers Resort, from unique selfie opportunities to ride facts, the aim is to encourage Cubs to experience everything that the theme park has to offer.
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We're delighted to announce the launch of the official Cubs100 medal produced to celebrate 100 years of the Cubs, hand struck and plated in either .999 silver or 24 carat gold, there is also the opportunity to purchase a beautiful branded case to display your medal after purchase.

We've been working with Koin Limited the official licensed supplier to the UK Ministry of Defence, who also creates and manufactures other products for other leading UK companies as part of their branding activities and memorabilia portfolio. All Koin products are of the highest quality and are ethically sourced. Skilled designers produce images used to create the coins and subsequently bespoke metal tooling has each image carved out, before being hand checked for imperfections. Advanced computer software turns this image into a 3D layered image to create the bespoke tooling for each individual coin. Each coin is then put into a press and the bespoke tooling is used to imprint each coin with the image design. The coin is then plated in the desired metal and any colour decoration can then be hand-painted.

This year a limited number of the silver plated Cubs100 medals have been authorized for free* distribution to Cubs and Scouts both past and present. Demand is likely to be high, so to claim yours click here today:

www.freescoutmedal.co.uk
*Postage and packaging is charged at £1.99p

Cubs100 Takeover Day - Alton Towers Resort

Book your tickets before 30 June 2016 to receive a FREE goody bag for your group!
Adults (16+) - £20.00
Child - £15.00
Free Leader place for every 5 children.

Tickets - 0871 222 6944  **0871 222 6944** - Call and ask for the Cubs100 Takeover Day! Tickets must be booked in advance via the Merlin contact centre (calls to this number are charged at 13p per minute plus your standard network charge).

For further information please visit <http://merlinforgroups.com/groups/youth-groups>

Start: 24th September, 2016 at 10:00am
End: 24th September, 2016 at 5:00pm

Her Majesty, The Queen
Buckingham Palace
London
SW1A 1AA

23rd March 2016

Your Majesty,

We send you loyal greetings on this, the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the Cub Scouts.

Cubs began in 1916 as Wolf Cubs, providing activities for the younger siblings of Scouts, which began a decade earlier. As this was wartime, many of the first leaders were women, a proud tradition which continues to this day.

During the First and Second World Wars, Cubs did their duty, knitting socks for soldiers and collecting scrap paper along with many other useful services.

They continued to support their communities with the advent of Bob-a-Job in 1949, which helped raise funds, as well as fulfilling their promise to help other people.

Changes in uniform and badges have taken place, and girls were welcomed into Cubs from 1991, however the basic formula remains the same – offering young people the opportunities, the confidence and the skills they need to succeed.

Across the UK, we have an exciting programme of events planned throughout 2016, with Cubs100 Adventure Camps taking place during the summer and Thanks Parties for all who have supported Cubs. The year will culminate on 16th December 2016, the day of the centenary, with Promise Parties on mountain tops, in parks and town centres. Cubs past and present will make their Promise at the same time.

Today there are 150,000 Cubs in the UK enjoying fun, adventure and helping in their communities.

As we celebrate this special year, we thank you for your steadfast support as our Patron. We would be so grateful if you could send a telegram congratulating all Cub Scouts on this historic milestone.

I have the honour to be, Madam, Your Majesty's humble and obedient servant,



Bear Grylls,
Chief Scout

The Scout Association



BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Lieutenant Commander (Hon.) Bear Grylls, Royal Navy,
Chief Scout,
The Scout Association.

Please convey my warm thanks to the Cub Scouts for their loyal greetings, sent to mark the One Hundredth Anniversary of the founding of the movement, which is being commemorated this year.

For many years and through changing times, the Cub Scouts have allowed young people to develop their skills, embark on adventures, support their local communities and form friendships.

As your Patron, I was interested to learn of how the Centenary will be celebrated throughout the year, leading up to 16th December where Promise Parties will be held across the United Kingdom.

As you reflect on your long history and look to the future, I have pleasure in sending my best wishes to all Cub Scouts, past and present, who will be celebrating this most special anniversary.

ELIZABETH R.

CUB SCOUT STEIFF BEAR

2016 is a very special year for the Cub Scouts. They celebrate their centenary. To mark such an important occasion, only a Steiff bear will do!



This cheeky little cub is made from luxuriously silky soft, golden-brown mohair with a contrasting cream-coloured muzzle. His adorable nose and mouth are stitched entirely by hand, and his black button eyes twinkle merrily.

He proudly wears his special green 'necker' embroidered with the official centenary badge in delicate golden thread and secured with a miniature woggle. Made from genuine leather, the woggle is stamped in gold with the Cubs logo and the fleur-de-lis, which represents the three elements of the Scout Promise – Duty to God and Country, Duty to Self and Duty to Others.

Like all the best collector bears, the **Cub Scout Centenary Bear** is fully jointed – so you can pose him as wish...from sitting to standing...from a friendly wave...to a warm embrace.

As the perfect finishing touch for this very special bear, the dates 1916-2016 are beautifully embroidered in golden thread on one footpad.

The **Cub Scout Centenary Bear** is being made in a strict limited edition. He will be produced only until 31st December 2016. Each bear is numbered so ensure the lowest available number by reserving your bear now!

Actual height is 9" (25cm) standing.

Order by Telephone 0344 557 1000