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EILEEN MARTIN

"Southport ASU has sadly learnt of the death of Eileen Martin who had been a member for many years and had regularly attended our monthly social gatherings until ill health meant that she could no longer join us.

After coming to live in Southport in the 1970's Eileen became a member of the Support Group at 40th St John, Crossens Scout Group where the rest of her family were involved. Along with her husband Angus, she then joined the 62nd St Cuthbert's Scout Group, again in a Support role. Eileen and Angus were founder members of the old Scout Fellowship (now the ASU) and during this time supported events such as 'The Great Escape', the District Cub Sports and many other District and County events.

Eileen made lots of friends during her time in Scouting and was able to maintain her membership of the Scout Association through the ASU on a social basis which she thoroughly enjoyed. Her friendly personality and good humour will be sadly missed by all our members."

Penny Rimmer
ASU Chairman

"By your works shall ye be known."



We are delighted to announce the appointment of Alex Sharp, as our Assistant County Commissioner for Scouts.

It's great news that Alex Sharp has been appointed as Assistant County Commissioner for Scouts. Alex has been involved in Scouting since the age of six and still plays an active part in a Scout Group as an Assistant Scout Leader at the 10th St. Helens. Alex felt the time was right to take on such a role. The appointment of Alex will see us strengthen support to our Scout Section Leadership Teams.

Alex joins our team of Assistant County Commissioners for our 6-25 sections, led by Lee Allwood, one of our Deputy County Commissioners, and we look forward to working with him to help support us to deliver #Scouting4All within the Scout Section across Merseyside.



If you would like to contact Alex, his email address is:
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A reminder of the full team:

Assistant County Commissioner for Beaver Scouts:
Melanie Lott

Assistant County Commissioner for Cub Scouts:
Nikki Parr

Assistant County Commissioner for Scouts:
Alex Sharp

Assistant County Commissioner for Explorer Scouts:
Damon Daniels

Assistant County Commissioner for Scout Network:
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Southport Scouts '100 Club'

We had 33 members for the July draw. The lucky winner was member number 85.....J Fielding a beaver leader at the 40th, she wins £33. The draw was made by a scout from 1st Lockhart.

Best of luck to everybody for next month

John, Dorothy, Kath & Norah

The minibus support team.

Southport District Scout Council is a registered charity in England and Wales.....Registration number 521672
The '100 Club' is registered with Sefton MBC as a Small Society Lottery.....Registration number 018800

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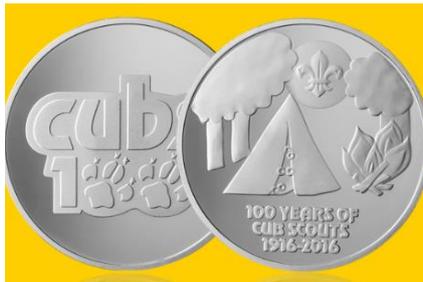


JOTA-JOTI 2016 BADGE NOW IN STOCK!

In just a couple of months a new **Jamboree-on-the-Air** and **Jamboree-on-the-Internet (JOTA-JOTI)** will take place involving one million Scouts participating across the world. Show your participation in the 59th JOTA-JOTI with this **official woven uniform badge**.

WORLD CHALLENGE COINS

The Cubs100 Official Medal



World Challenge Coins are delighted to announce the release of the official Cubs100 Medal. Officially licensed by The Scout Association, this hand-struck .999 silver plated medal has been issued to celebrate 100 years of Cubs. A limited number of medals are being given away FREE and demand is likely to be high so click now to claim yours today.

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"Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work!"

"The only place where success comes before work is in the dictionary!"

"The road to success is lined with many tempting parking places!"



Chosen from designs received from all over the world, this winning badge design by Mark Tan Wengson of Penang, Malaysia, conveys the fun and educational Scouting experience of this annual event.

This badge features the winning design of the 2016 JOTA-JOTI logo competition. For more information see the official website at <http://www.jotajoti.info>

"Set the bar twice as high as you think you can achieve, then if you go only half way you will have achieved a great deal!"

"Ability may get you to the top but it takes character to keep you there!"

"Your next breath is more valuable than your next quid!"



Waterside Lodge News

Over the past 4 weeks we have had an unprecedented amount of water activities at WL. This has required a great deal of commitment by our instructors/staff. The activities included the Southport Beaver 30th and Cub 100th Birthday celebration days, school leaver/starter days, University, College and Business water/team building sessions, our normal wet nights/activities and the Army Cadets from Altcar Camp.

Some of the team have taken holidays from work to be with us and others given their 'free time'. Some of them were here all day and then the evening as well on some days. Without such a level of support we could not operate WL in the way we do. These activities have also generated a healthy income for WL which will be used for the benefit of Scouts in Southport.

There may be some people outside who consider us to be a group of enthusiastic amateurs, but we are anything but, the service we provide is professional, safe and friendly and that's down to the team of instructors and helpers. There is great evidence to support this. We have had 10 days of Army Cadets from the Black Watch and Lothian & Borders Battalions visiting Waterside Lodge. They were staying at the Altcar Army camp and we provided water activity days for between 40 and 55 Army Cadets per day. During that time we have been visited by the Safety/Child Protection Officer, various Senior Officers and last week 4 Lords Lieutenant from Scotland along with the top brass from Altcar. Every single one of them has expressed what a fantastic set up we have and what a superb group of instructors/staff we have running it. There have been numerous comments such as:-

'We love coming here because of the instructors, they know what they are doing, they know how to engage with the young people, get them involved and having fun, a lot of that is because you can tell they are enjoying themselves, there's always loads of banter between them, other places just don't have that, if it was up to me we'd be here every year'

'Facebook and Twitter in Scotland are buzzing with comments from the cadets back to their mates saying what a fantastic time they had at Waterside Lodge'

This is all down to the professionalism and commitment of our staff, so on behalf of Southport District Scouts and Waterside Lodge Ltd a very big **Thank You** for all that you do and we hope to have your continued support in the future.

Yours in Scouting

Doccy Morton

Waterside Lodge SASU Manager
Chairman, Waterside Lodge Ltd

Request for Help at Waterside Lodge during 24 Hour Yacht Race 16-18th September

This year is the 50th 24 Hour Yacht Race. Southport Scouts open Waterside Lodge as the main caravan and camp site for spectators and teams; this creates a big income for the District. This entails a lot of work over the weekend and the more people we have helping, even for short periods of time, the better - as this spreads the load. One or two of the people who are usually present for the entire weekend can't be there for various family reasons.

This article is to request your help to 'staff' Waterside Lodge over the weekend. There are numerous roles both in the canteen and outside on the site. The busiest times on the site are Friday afternoon and evening from about 4pm to midnight and Saturday morning from 7am to midday. These are the times when everybody arrives on site and we need lots of people to help site people. The rest of the weekend needs staff to generally look after the place and then clear up on Sunday from lunchtime onwards. The canteen is open on a Friday night and then most of Saturday and Sunday morning.

As I said **this is a big fund raiser for Southport District Scouts and WE NEED YOUR HELP.**

If you can give any time over the weekend please make contact with the office at Waterside Lodge where there is a rota for both the Canteen and the Outside teams.

Thank you in anticipation of your help.

Doccy Morton