



1st Stotfold Chickasaw Beaver Scout Colony AGM Report 2009

Well here we are again at the end of yet another action packed year that I hope everyone has enjoyed. Throughout the year we have maintained a full Colony.

This year the Beavers have worked hard and earned almost 200 badges between them including some Chief Scout's Bronze Awards which are now awarded after the Beavers have completed all 6 Challenge Badges. We have 6 Beavers who have either just completed or are about to complete their Chief Scout Bronze Award and some will be presented with their badges and certificates at the AGM.



Activities we have taken part in:-

County – We attended the County Beaver Day at Bromham at the end of June.

District events - The Teddy Bears' Picnic and the Water Games Night. Both of these took place at Boyd Field in Henlow and were greatly enjoyed.

Group events - have included the St George's Day Parade, the Remembrance Day Parade, a coach trip in June to the annual Beaver & Cub Fundays at Gilwell Park with Cheyenne Beavers, Cherokee and Comanche Cubs and a joint Camp/Sleepover with Cheyenne Beavers, Cherokee and Comanche Cubs which took place at the beginning of September.

Weekly **Colony** activities have included:- Pond Dipping, Imagination Badge, New Zealand night, Olympics night, Tent Pitching with the help of some Scouts, Tie Dyeing T-Shirts, Healthy Eating Badge, IT Stage 1 Badge, Decorating a tree for the Christmas Tree Festival, Safety Badge, Creative Badge, Construction Night, Red Nose Night.

We joined with Cheyenne Beavers in July and did a Night Hike to Letchworth for our Hikes Away 1 Badge.

One Good Turn – We raised money for Children with Leukemia. Beavers had to try and do 26 good turns over two or three weeks. We made a Good Turn Tree and each week we pinned their good turns to it. We managed to raise over £450. £400 was given to the Children with Leukemia charity and the extra money went towards our bowling trip.

For our Christmas treat we went bowling at the Hollywood Bowl in Stevenage.

This is just a flavour of some of the activities that we have done. We try to make the evenings as varied and interesting as possible while making sure that we cover all areas of the zones in order to complete the 6 Challenge Badges. There are reports and photos on the website of some of our activities.



My thanks go to Sam Powell (White Rabbit) my Assistant Leader who helps me run the Colony. We also say thank you to the Scouts who have helped us this year as part of their Gold Chief Scout Award. The Beavers do enjoy having them around.

Many, many thanks to all the parents who have helped us out in any way during the past year, especially those who have helped out week by week at our meetings. We really are grateful and it certainly does make the evenings run smoother when we have extra help.

Here's to another year of fun!

Yours in scouting



Clare Kilby