



**NORTHALLERTON DISTRICT
EXPLORER SCOUTS
B.A.R.N.E.S. Unit**
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**“Home Units”
Unit**

Alverton

Meeting Time
Tuesdays

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First Monday of each month
19:30 - 21:00

Hambleton Forum
Northallerton

Third Monday of each month
19:30 - 21:00

East Cowton Village Hall

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BARNES Unit Meetings

Our next meetings are on Mondays 7th August and 4th September 19:30 at Hambleton Forum and 28th August at East Cowton.

What’s happening When?

The BARNES Unit Calendar has been updated to include details of the Alverton Unit meetings. It can be found on our web site at

http://cira.tees.ac.uk/scouts/nton/barnes/reports/

The Alverton Unit Programme for the next couple of months is attached to the end of this newsletter.



**“One Word, One Promise”
2007 Centenary Belts**

We have a small stock of brown “2007 belts” available for BARNES members at £10 each (usual price £12). Please contact Charles if you would like one.

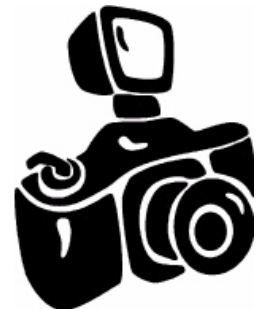
Photo Competition

North Yorkshire Scouts are holding a photo competition. Take pictures of your Scouting events this summer and send your best picture in to be judged. There is an entry fee of £1 and a maximum of three entries per person.

The picture must be taken by the person entering it! All entries must be into the county office by 20th September 2006. Please ask Charles or Adam if you would like details of how to enter.

Don’t forget to take your cameras to camp and to the Activity day!

Do you need a 35mm film? If so please ask Charles.



5-a-side Football

Well done to everyone who played on 16th July in Brompton.

Hopefully the next match will be in Bedale.

Camp Bank

Money deposited in the “Camp Bank” may be left in for future camps or withdrawn at the next Unit meeting.

Uniforms

May we remind everyone that we do expect you to wear full uniform for formal activities. This includes navy blue trousers or navy shorts and either a standard Scout Belt or a Centenary belt.



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Centenary of Scouting 1907 - 2007



By now everyone should be wearing a “One World, One Promise” badge on their uniform and coming soon we will all have Centenary neckers that are worn on top of your District necker.

There are four new badges for next year - One for everyone who participates in or helps with the centenary programme. The second for taking part in the Centenary camp at the end of May and the third for taking part in the Sunrise event on 1st August. The fourth and final badge is awarded to anyone who introduces a non-Scouting friend to a Scouting activity in 2007.

Northallerton 2007 planners need your help

There are a number of special events planned for next year as part of the international, national and local celebrations of 100 years of Scouting.

To help with the planning of the local events we need to know what you as Explorer Scouts of 2007 would like to do. Is there something you would like at camp which is bit unusual or something that you would not normally do at camp? If you have any ideas please talk to Adam, Charles, Steven Brown or Steve Buxton.



Young Leaders

There are still a few people who need to complete the projects associated with modules. If you are one of these Y.L.s please finish the projects now.

5th Redcar Windermere Camp

Those Y.L.s who are going to help at Great Tower should meet at Larkwood Community Centre on Larkwood Road (off West Dyke Road) at **12:45** on Sunday 20th August.

We will return to Redcar the following Saturday.

1st Aid Training

All Young Leaders should aim to hold a current 1st Aid certificate. Simon Hickling has kindly agreed to run a “First Response” 1st Aid training day on Sunday 27th August for Y.L.s.

All Y.L.s who do not hold a current 1st Aid certificate (i.e. one less than three years old) should attend. The cost of the day is £15 and lunch will be provided. Y.L.s may be able to claim some of this cost back from the Group where they help.

Please let Charles know this week if you **DO NOT** wish to attend this training otherwise send payment by next week.

Young Leader Training Weekend - Branhope

We will be joining the leaders of 2nd Northallerton (Friarage Scoutlink), for a weekend of fun and games, with a little training on the side.

This is a good chance to get your training completed and we will be running the camp on a similar model to the last Y.L. camp at Kettleless. If you have not done any training so far or have done lots; you're welcome.

Please return the camp form now.

Summer Camp 2006 - Vlaardigen

Monday 17th July

We met in Brompton to pack the bags into the trailer, - *Why do you need a second big bag Chris?*. The bags packed with the mess kit in the trailer and with the tents and overnight bags in the cars we were ready to meet on Saturday 22nd and head off to the ferry port.

Saturday 22nd July

Day one: We assembled in Brompton at 13:15, said our "goodbyes" and set off to Tyneside for the ferry to IJmuiden. Everyone enjoyed Diner on Board and the Explorers head off to the on-board cinema.

Sunday 23rd July

The day started with a buffet breakfast on the ferry, (all you can eat is not a challenge Simon), and we made our way to Vlaadigen where we had a picnic lunch in the park. We walked from the park to the Scout Hut where we made camp.

Monday 24th July

Our first full day in Vlaardigen, we built a large table and benches from pioneering poles. Once it cooled down in the afternoon we explored the local to the site by having a treasure hunt.

Tuesday 25th July

We started the day with a walk round Broekenpolder. The afternoon was spent on site doing map work to avoid the sun and the evening spend playing wide games.

Wednesday 26th July

Straight after breakfast we drove to Arnhem to see the war graves. The scale of the whole thing was overwhelming to most of the Unit. As we were leaving we met a Scout Troop from Bristol. After lunch we went in the town of Arnhem to see the "Bridge too Far", the John Frost Bridge. As the air temperature had soared to 40°C, we rested and then had another late meal when it was a little cooler.

Thursday 27th July

We rented bikes and spent time exploring Vlaardigen and the local area. On return to camp we spent €233 in the Scoutshop. *Oops!*

Friday 28th July

We set off early and went to Alkmaar to see the open air Traditional Cheese Market and to explorer the town. (*Yes Chris we have driven two hours to see cheese*). On return to Vlaardigen one Patrol went into town for drinks and Apple pie! The other got lost, we're very sorry Andrew.

Saturday 29th July

We spent most of the day at the lake near the Scoutcentre and then played games in the evening. Ian felt homesick as there was a big chemical plant nearby and the water was greenish.

Sunday 30th July

We started the day with flag break and Scout's own and then dismantled the pioneering so we could start in new project, a bigger table. It rained in the afternoon but the pioneering was able to continue after tea.

Monday 31st July Dixy's Birthday!

We went to Amsterdam where we visited Anne Frank's house and a clog makers. We found a Richard Hammond look-a-like and a giant clog, but only one. If anyone sees a giant with one leg, please call crimestoppers on...

Tuesday 1st August

We visited Delft, a small market town close to our campsite. The leaders climbed to the top of the bell tower but the Explorers decided they would rather stand in the rain.

Wednesday 2nd August

It rained again...a lot. So we went to the beach. We visited the flood barrier at the Hook of Holland, after which we headed into the town to go shopping, or climb into a small plastic boat in Will's case. Then we went to the beach in the rain and wind. Ian and Katie braved the sea, Charles went sunbathing and the rest of us built a sandcastle.

Thursday 3rd August

In a change to our planned schedule we decided to do some activities at the Hoek van Holland. One again it rained as the Heavens opened - waved to Noah on the arch!. We stated on the beach building sandcastles as the museum was not open. After lunch we went to visit the fort of Hoek van Holland. Adam was disappointed and sulked as there was not an opportunity to sit on a cannon. After tea we dismantles the pioneering.

Friday 4th August

Cleared camp after breakfast, packed as much as possible and then went into Vlaardigen.

Saturday 5th August

Cleaned the hut and set of to IJmuiden to get the ferry.



See the web site for all the pictures!