





SHURDINGTON SCOUTS JANUARY - APRIL 2017




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9 th January	Welcome Back – Campfire / BBQ – Investing / Badges Information on District cooking competition & 2017 Camps	
16 th January	RIFLES- Team selection for County Competition. Please download the activity permission form	
23 rd January	CRICKLEY HILL - meet there 7:15pm latest – bbq then walk down to Shurdington. Pick up Social Centre as usual 9:15pm.	
30 th January	CHINESE NEW YEAR – Spring roll challenge	
4 th & 5 th February COUNTY COURSE	Cotswold Marathon 4th & 5th February 2017 The 44th Cotswold Marathon is a winter night hike open only to members of the Scout and Guide movements with a new route for 2017.	
8 th February	COOK OFF- Preparations for District Cooking	
13 th February	HALF TERM	
17 th / - 19 th February COUNTY COURSE	*Digital Citizen, Digital Maker, Communicator Weekend: Friday 17th/Sunday 19th February, Shurdington. Digital Citizen Stages 1-4 and Digital Maker Stages 1-2 plus Option 3 of the Communicator Activity Badge. Learn about computers and the Internet with practical activities, contact Scouts and Guides from around the world and develop important IT skills. Accommodation is indoors and catering is provided. There are only 20 spaces for this course. £35	
20 th February	DISTRICT Trading Post & Founder's Day Celebrations	
25 th February COUNTY COURSE	Discover Scuba Diving 25th February (to be confirmed). Sir Thomas Rich School, Gloucester	
Sunday 26 th February DISTRICT	District Cooking Competition to be held at Shurdington. Teams of 3 or 4 from 9:30am.	
27 th February	Skills: survival, knives & fires	
3rd/5th March COUNTY COURSE	Badge Weekend 3rd/5th March. Cranham indoors, catering provided. Choose ONE badge: 1. Geocaching Badge: Use GPS and learn about his exciting new sport. £35 2. Electronics Badge: learn how to make exciting electronic gadgets. £40 3. Mechanics Badge: Learn how to service and maintain a car. £35	

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6 th March	Skills: Axes, saws, lamps & gas cookers	
13 th March	Athletics with Elliott – Prince of Wales stadium	
20 th March	Camp preparations & packing	
24 – 26 th March	CAMP WEEKEND – CRANHAM COUNTY SCOUT HQ	STEVE'S BIRTHDAY CAMP ☺
27 th March	Crickley Hill - shelter building and BBQ	
3 rd April	Last meeting before Easter Holidays	
	END OF TERM	
7 th /9 th April COUNTY COURSE	<p>Expedition Challenge Weekends (Scouts) 24th/26th March (W1) AND 7th/9th April (W2) £50 covers both weekends.</p> <p>W1: Training** based at Eastcombe HQ.</p> <p>W2: Expedition hiking with day kit and camping at Cranham.</p> <p><i>**Training will include map reading, compass work, route planning, first aid, hike camping, cooking, kit check, Highway & County Codes, emergency procedures etc.</i></p> <p>Bonus! Your walking during both weekends will also count towards the Hikes Away and Nights Away Staged Activity Badges</p>	
12 th & Thursday 13 th April COUNTY COURSE	<p>NEW Climbing Course Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th April Mid-week course at the Warehouse Climbing Centre in Gloucester: Climbing & bouldering using the</p> <p>extensive facilities and fully qualified instructors. Scouts gain the Climber badge. Explorers gain the Explorer Climber badge. All climbing equipment provided. Non-residential</p>	
27 th /Monday 29 th May COUNTY COURSE	<p>Survival Skills Saturday 27th/Monday 29th May £35 Held at Miserden Park We will be 'surviving' in an area of outstanding natural beauty. We aim to live up to the description of the badge as 'the ultimate challenge for Scouts' We are NOT based on a campsite, you will NOT be sleeping in tents (even during the training), there is NO running water, and NO flushing toilets! For these reasons, the minimum age is 12, and it is highly recommended that all applicants have camped under canvas with Scouts and had some experience of open fires before attending this weekend</p>	

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