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No one lost during off site Activities



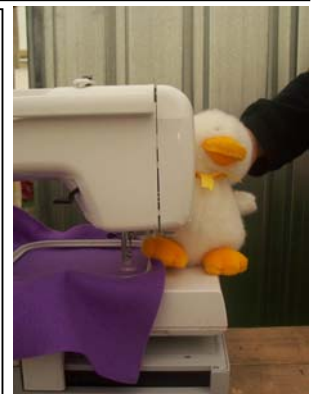
Charnwood Campers have taken over at Alton Towers all this week. Despite lots of time spent queuing, everyone had a fantastic time. Favourite rides have included Air and Oblivion. Lindsey and Donna from Tudors loved Air and binned their packed lunches to eat McDonalds. Melissa and Charlie from Romans loved the log flume, enjoyed enterprise and even ate their packed lunches. One member of staff was heard to say "I'd rather go to Tesco than Alton Towers", so that's where we sent her.

Today's Weather
Max 20° you
won't believe it
but sunny spells



Duck Hunt

Ducky was eventually found by Gemma Norris on Wednesday. On Thursday Ducky was found hiding in the craft tent by Christopher, Jessica, Naomi and Jasmine from the Tudors. Well done to everyone who has found Ducky during the week, he has had a wonderful week touring the camp site and meeting lots of different people.





Spotlight on Jit

Name?: Jit

Role?: On Site Services (doing a bit of everything)

Role outside in Guiding/Scouting?: The Oaks Crew

What did you have for breakfast?: Nothing

What's your highlight of the camp so far?: Going into the house to put the flag on the roof

What are you looking forward to?: All the kids going home

Where are you camping?: Medieval with On Site Services

What's your favourite biscuit?: Bourbon

Tell us about And Jit?: Started off with Jit putting his name on everyone's mugs because he couldn't remember which was his and this has now escalated. And Jit is a doll who hides around the campsite. Whoever finds him shows a photo to On site Services wins a prize.

Holme Pierrpoint

Campers have also been taking part in water activities at Holme Pierrpoint,, the national water sports centre, all this week. One Guide said "The water activities were excellent, but getting out of the water was very cold!"

Rebecca from Normans said that her favourite activity was the sailing. Campers also took part in activities on land, constructing a tube for water to flow down and carrying water in jugs on their heads. Matthew and Jack from Normans enjoyed the kayaking and raft building.



Subcamp News

Stoneage

The Stoneage Campers enjoyed their Rock Disco on Wednesday Night, they loved Ashdowne.

Tudors

The Tudors say: "It's certainly breezy over here in the Tudors subcamp. 2 more gazebos went walkabout, one terminally ill! Think we'll turn the hill around to give everyone a change. It's strange how the remaining time gets smaller and the lost property gets bigger. Did anyone else notice a lot of campers came back from Alton towers with "a black eye"?"

Vikings

Ken's fish, described as the life and sole of the party, has died. The Vikings particularly enjoyed the subcamp challenge.

Normans

Members of the Normans team (and many others) have commented on the wonderfulness of the Charnwood Times. We thank them all.

Victorians

Was this the longest conga? Over 350 people joined in on Wednesday during It's a knock out. Victorians apologise for the temporary loss of fan fare on Wednesday when the sound system blew, and are happy to report the Medieval and Norman wake up call is now up and running again.

Medieval

The flag that has been flying at the front of the subcamp all week had some ladies underwear attached to it yesterday. If anyone knows who they belong to please pop in and claim them!



On This Day in History: 11th August

1897

Birth date of author Enid Blyton, creator of Noddy, The Famous Five and The Magic Far Away Tree, to name but a few. During her lifetime she wrote more than 700 books, which have been translated into more than 40 languages and sold over 400 million copies worldwide.

1934

The first inmates arrived at the federal prison on Alcatraz Island in San Francisco Bay.

1999

Up to 350 million people in Europe and Asia witness the last total solar eclipse of the century.

Deputy Chief Scout Visits Charnwood



Peter Nichol, who has been deputy chief scout since September 2005, came to visit the camp site today. He had a tour of the site and met both staff and campers.

Charley Wood Kidnapped



Charley Wood was kidnapped by First Aid on Thursday. After being held hostage in the First Aid Tent for a while, he was fed, watered, and released back into the middle of the field. Charley is now recovering after his ordeal.

Important Notice: Lost Property

Reception will dispose of all lost property by Friday Evening
Do call in and claim yours now!!!

Don't forget you can order your official photos from the Charnwood site until New Year.

In the News:

A Driver on the M1 drove 12 miles on the wrong side of the road.

A Roman wall has been unearthed by a team of archaeologists in Leicester at the site of the new shopping centre

A young Leicester girl donated her paddling pool to two special needs boys who had theirs stolen.

Sport:

Steve McClaren has started his job as England head coach calling it a "great challenge" and a "great adventure"

Message Board

Birthday Messages

Happy Birthday on Friday

Jonathan Snape from Barrow upon Soar Scouts is 14.

Evie Hibbit from 7th Oakham Guides is 12

Linda Stevely Guider with Strone Guiding, Scotland

Julie Brinkman, Bishops Cleeve District Guides.

Becky Scott is 16, Love from all 1st Burbage Guides.

William Bourne 1st Rearsby Scouts.

Harry Mason from 11th Hinckley who is 14.

Echo Watkins from 26th Leicester who is 9.

Big thank you to Chef and his wonderful meals we've enjoyed this week. From Guiding Essentials Ladies.

To Aileen Get well soon From 1st Thurnby and 6th Houghton and their

Victory to the Romans. Hinckley x Barwell Legion. Won the battle and retrieved shields. Romans Conquer again.

Rejoice – songs from around the world. Main stage at 14:00 on Friday. Come and join in.

Happy Anniversary to Steve and Theresa 14 years yesterday.

Big thank you to provisions staff. Despite problems with Tesco they have succeeded admirably. North East District.

Goodbye and Good Luck to Jon Foganty, Hope Bradley, Kate Braithwaite and LLOYDY from all the leaders at 1st Openwoodgate Scouts. Thanks for the memories! Too many to list.

Alyson Kettle is retiring this week! After 30 years as a guider with 14th Loughborough Guides. She would like to thank all the Guiders and Scouters from Loughborough division for all the wonderful fellowship she has shared and will be missed.

Congratulations to all who have been on the water day. Staff at the centre have said they are very pleased that everything has been left so clean and tidy – well done all.

The craft tent would like to thank all the campers for their good behaviour and politeness in the craft tent

Thank you to 1st and 3rd Castle Donington Guides for my lovely Birthday Prezies. From India

Congratulations to 1st Strone Guides from Scotland who are

Chris James from Roman Empire is having his head shaved on stage for charity. Any donations will be gratefully received. Please see Chris for more details.

Congratulations to everyone receiving Chief Scouts Award today.

For Sale or To Let Hill Top Farm Roman Subcamp Excellent views, stables plus livestock. Transport links close by, spa, maintained oriental gardens. Viewing by appointment only. Contact Big Dave the Gnome (see Thursday's paper).

Congratulations to 11th Hinckley and 26th Leicester (Blaby) who drew in the 'competition' for most people to first aid at the water day.

Formal apology to Helen Sanderson of 2nd Countesthorpe Guides for not mentioning her wonderful efforts during rounders in our journal – she was splendiferous.

Is Sue Astle (39th and 47th Nottingham) the oldest person on the Stoneage subcamp at 53? Up the Imps

More people who have been to every Charnwood. Fiona Clarkson who started as a guide and is now QM. Also Elaine Hodges both now with Fleckney and Kinworth Guides. Big Thank you to Fiona for QM'ing the Fleckney Guides this camp.

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Emily Cox and Georgia Gamble 1st Quorn Guides are 13.

Jade from Stoneage is 16

Harriet Pole from Humberstone is 13

Robbie Claxton 84th Leicester Scouts is 11

Mo Black Theme park team leader

Wayne first aid team leader is 31.

Kate Braithwaite from 1st Openwood Gate Scouts.

Jack Bailey from the Welsh Scouts who is 11.

The Roman sub-camp team would like to thank all the leaders on the Roman Empire for their help through-out the week and making it a successful camp. We hope all the Roman subjects have enjoyed the Charnwood experience which will last a life time

Thank you to all the Victorian Subcamp leaders for the it's a knockout competition. From 1st Market Harborough