

# UNDER THE BARROW

## The Newsletter of 16th Morecambe Scout Troop

### Annual Camp 2012

Arrangements are coming together well for the highlight of 2012, our trip to Braggers Wood in the beautiful New Forest National Park.

The campsite is booked, and a number of excursions and activities are in the pipeline. These will include cycling, geocaching, climbing & archery, and visits to the National Motor Museum at Beaulieu, the Tank Museum at Bovington, Spashdown at Poole and shopping in Bournemouth.

Full details will be circulated in due course and will include an equipment list, permission form, contact details, itinerary and information on food, money and final details.

If you have not already done so it's not too late to book a place but be quick.

### Badges & Awards

#### Challenges

The Challenges complement the balanced programme. These have been developed to extend Scouts' skills and experience. The Challenges are optional and continue throughout the Sections providing continuity from 6 to 25.

#### Chief Scout's Gold Award

This badge is the highest award available in the Scout Section. It is gained by completing:

The Promise Challenge  
 The Community Challenge  
 The Fitness Challenge  
 The Creative Challenge  
 The Global Challenge  
 The Outdoor Challenge  
 and two of the following:  
 The Outdoor Plus Challenge  
 The Adventure Challenge  
 The Expedition Challenge

#### Activity Badges

There are 69 Activity badges specially designed for the Scout section, along with six Staged badges.

So, plenty to work for!



At the Tank Museum, Bovington in 2009

### Diary

May 20 am	Church Parade
May 20 pm	Scout Community Week
June 1/4	Troop Camp, Silverdale
June 17	Church Parade
June 22/24	Group Camp & AGM, Silverdale
June 30/1	Camping Competition
July 16/17	District PL's Camp
July 21/28	Annual Camp, New Forest

### Church Parade

All Members of the Movement are encouraged to make every effort to progress in the understanding and observance of the Promise to do their best to do their duty to God, belong to some religious body & carry into daily practice what they profess.

As our Troop is composed of members of several denominations, Scouts are encouraged to attend services of their own form of religion.

Parades are held on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the Church of the Ascension to which all members are invited.

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Backwoods cooking at Silverdale in 2011



Remembrance Sunday 2011 – the Troop laid a wreath at the summit cairn on Clougha Pike to honour the UK's war dead.

The man who is blind to the beauties of Nature has missed half the pleasure of life.

Robert Baden-Powell

## Spring Bank Holiday Camp, Silverdale: 1- 4 June 2012

A Scout's favourite activity - camping! This will be a traditional Patrol camp under canvas at Silverdale.

You can look forward to a wide range of exciting activities including canoeing, wide games, backwoods cooking, Geocaching, camp fires and exploring.

Those who have been before will be anticipating our usual assortment of activities and looking forward to maintaining and improving their camping skills.

As a Troop, we pride ourselves on our camping standards, which are second to none.

If this is your first time, look forward to a great adventure in company with your pals. You will be an experienced camper able to look after yourself in the outdoors before you know it!

See you there . . .

## Helvellyn Sunrise

? June (tbc – very weather dependent)  
More details later on this proposed activity. A walk for the over 12's to see mid-summer sunrise from the most frequently climbed fell in the eastern Lake District.

“Legend and poetry, a lovely name and a lofty altitude combine to encompass Helvellyn in an aura of romance;

If it did not inspire affection would its devotees return to it so often?”

*Alfred Wainwright*



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## Troop T-shirt

For those of you who are not familiar with our arrangements we traditionally adopt a variation to our scout uniform during the summer months in anticipation of much warmer weather.

The Summer Uniform comprises the Troop T-shirt, with design as aside - worn with the neckerchief, any, preferably, self colour trousers or shorts as preferred and trainers. Hopefully, if your son does not yet have one of our troop t-shirts you will wish to purchase one for him - he will certainly get full use from it! If so, please ask for an order form.. We do have some, mainly smaller sizes, in stock but others will have to be ordered.

Alternatively, a suitable substitute would be any plain black t-shirt.



This is our personalized Troop t-shirt.  
Design based on an original drawing by Baden Powell.

## Competition Corner

Recent successes that have contributed to our burgeoning 'roll of honour' include winning the West Lancs. Crew Challenge in November and the District 5-a-side football event in December.

## Group Camp

This year, by way of a change from the customary Family Camp, we are holding a Group Camp. This will take place at Silverdale from Friday 24 – Sunday 26 June. On this occasion all sections of the Group will be camping together.

Loads of exciting activities along with the Beavers, Cubs.& Guides.

The Group's Annual Review will again be held during the course of the camp – details later.



One of many adventurous activities undertaken,  
kayaking on the canal at Borwick



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