

11TH WORKINGTON
(HARRINGTON) ST MARYS



INFORMATION PACK

June 2005

THE EXPLORER TROOP MEETS EVERY MONDAY AT HARRINGTON ST MARYS CHURCH HALL - 7PM TO 9PM. OTHER PLANNED ACTIVITIES MAY OCCUR AT THE WEEKEND OR ON ALTERNATIVE NIGHTS OF THE WEEK.



THE AGE RANGE FOR EXPLORERS IS 14½ THROUGH TO 18 YEARS.

Group Scout Leader

Andrew Brown is the GSL of 11th Workington (Harrington) St Marys, and if you have any concerns that you feel you can't raise with any of the Explorer Leaders, then please contact Andrew on 01946 832384.

Scout Rules

The Explorer Group is run on a yellow and red card basis. They are issued at the leaders' discretion, should one of the following rules be broken:

- The correct uniform must always be worn, for both scout meetings and church parade.*
- No foul or insulting language.*
- No physical or verbal bullying.*
- No fighting.*
- No disrespectful behaviour towards fellow scouts and leaders.*
- A yellow card is a warning.*
- Two yellow cards equals a red card.*
- A red card equals a 4 week ban.*
- Two red cards received within a term equals possible expulsion from scouts.*

Activity Authorisation Form

Please complete the activity authorisation form that is part of this information pack, and return it to one of the Explorer leaders as soon as possible. The form needs to be completed with some of the explorer scout's personal information along with emergency contact details etc.

Subscriptions

Subs is £15.00 per term. Cheques can be made payable to "Harrington Explorer Group".

The weekly subscriptions that the scouts have to pay not only goes towards the annual, £20.00 per scout, capitation fee (which covers insurance, the upkeep of scout campsites etc.) but also the running and maintenance of our scout van, badges, any materials /equipment required for the weekly programme, donations to charitable organisations that we visit and finally the maintenance of, and purchasing of new, equipment for the scout troop.

Church Parade

On the second Sunday of every month all Explorers should attend Church Parade, which is a special family service. As a church sponsored group attendance is expected by all.

Church Parade starts at 9:45 am and finishes at 11:00 am.

LEADER CONTACT DETAILS

- Pamela Mitchell
01946 690118
- Martin Finlinson
01946 811560
- Andrew Dawson
01946 695456
- Charlotte Nutter
01946 830623



SCOUT UNIFORM

The uniform can be purchased from the Post Office at Moorclose, next door to the newsagents.

The troop neckerchief can be purchased from Explorer Leader Pamela Mitchell.



KIT LIST WALK

- Warm clothing - a number of thin layers is warmer than one thick one and warmth can be more easily regulated. No jeans.
- Waterproof Jacket
- Waterproof Pants
- Rucksack
- Hat & Gloves
- Walking Boots/Shoes
- Packed Lunch

GIFT AID

From 6 April 2000 new legislation on Gift Aid (i.e. giving to Charities) was introduced which means that we can increase the amount of money going to the Explorer Group by as much as 28%.

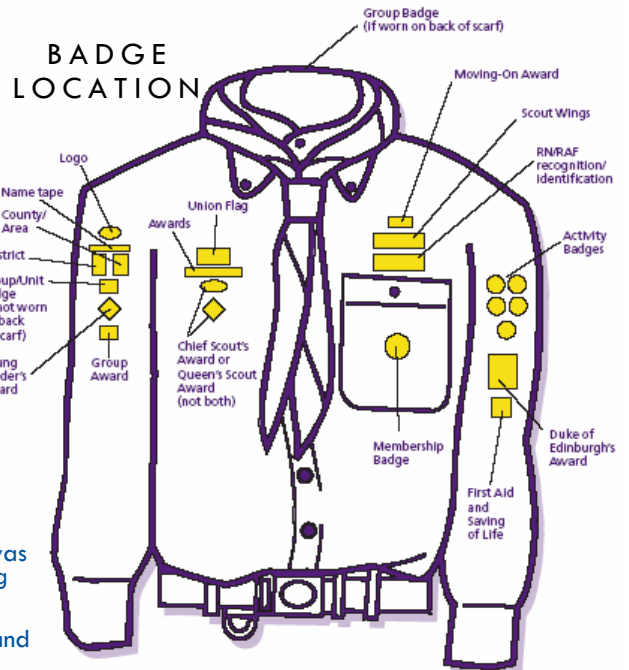
The legislation allows us to claim back the basic rate of tax from the Inland Revenue on your child's weekly subscription.

For every £1 of subs paid we can claim back 28p and it doesn't cost any more than is already paid each week!

The only conditions are as follows: -

- You must be a taxpayer.
- You must sign a declaration.

We would be most grateful therefore if either parent (providing they are a tax payer) would sign the attached declaration and return it to one of the Explorer leaders as early as possible. If you have any queries regarding Gift Aid, please do not hesitate to contact Ann Brown (Tel no. 01946 832384). Thank you for your continued support.



KIT LIST CAMP

- Trousers/Tracksuit Pants (No jeans as problems drying them)
- T-shirts
- Underwear
- Socks
- Walking Socks
- Jumpers/Sweatshirts
- Fleece Jacket
- Waterproof Jacket
- Waterproof Pants
- Walking Boots
- Scout Uniform (to be worn when travelling)
- Hat & Gloves (winter)
- Shorts (summer)
- Training Shoes
- Towel(s)
- Wash Kit
- Cup
- Plate
- Bowl
- Knife/Fork/Spoon
- Tea Towel(s)
- Plastic Bin Bags (for wet clothes/rucksack liner/ waste paper)
- Money
- Torch/Spare Batteries
- Swimming Kit
- Rucksack/Kit Bag
- Pyjamas
- Sleeping Bag
- Sleeping Mat
- Wellies

For either a camp or walk, please ensure that your son/daughter packs their own bag to ensure that they know what they have brought with them. Try to mark your child's equipment with their name if possible.