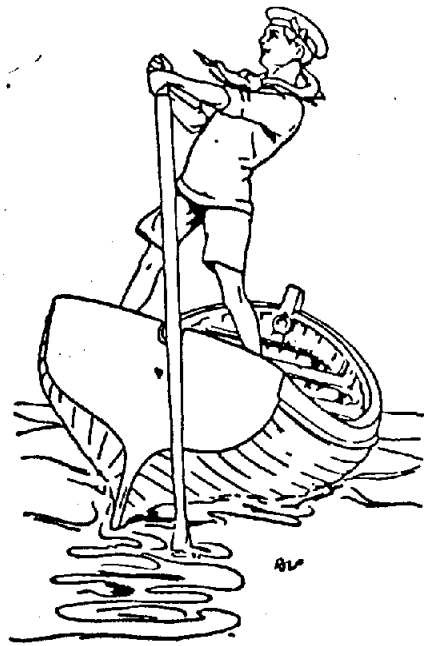


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SKIPPER'S SCRAWL

April over, we enter a new financial year, the time of A.G.M's, and for the boys, look forward to an adventurous Summer Programme.

To Parents, I give a cordial invitation to come to Leander A.G.M. on Wednesday, 16th May at 20.00hrs at H.Q. This is a time when the Executive Committee is elected to take care of the Group management for the forthcoming year, and I do hope there will be representatives of Beaver, Cub, Scout and Venture Scout parents. It is also a time when Leaders report on Section activities over the past year and what is planned for next year - plus a chance for parents to put those 'awkward' questions to the G.S.L. ! One item on this year's agenda will be "GIRLS IN SCOUTING", so do come along to hear what's going on and put your point of view.

I was pleased to see a smart turnout at St. George's Day Parade. Well done to Cubs who were all present. However, to the 9 Scouts and 5 Venture Scouts who did not turn up - all I can say is you let the whole Group down and cost us the 'turn out and marching trophy'. I am sure Chief will have spoken to those concerned by now, but must emphasise that two parades are considered 'compulsory', i.e. St. George's Day and the Admiralty Inspection. This year the Admiralty Inspection falls very close to holiday time - Tuesday, 24th July. I appreciate some boys may be on holiday, so it is therefore even more important we have 100% attendance, if we are to keep our Admiralty recognised status.

I am sorry to report that Nick May has had to give up as Venture Scout Leader due to pressure of work, and would like to thank him for the efforts he has put in. I am sure we will still see Nick from time to time. We are therefore in need of adult help with Venture Scouts, and I am pleased that Rod Leigh has agreed to take over the helm as an interim measure. I hear the Venture unit committee is being reconstituted and such things as rock climbing, sub aqua, cycling to Summer Camp and even wine-making are on the Programme.

Finally, a reminder of the Open Day on 10th June, a must for your diaries. I look forward to seeing you at our A.G.M.

G.S.L. Keith Maund

AN INVITATION

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

LEANDER ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1990 AT H.Q.
WEDNESDAY 16th MAY 1990 AT 20.00hrs

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CUB'S CAPERS (Report from Cub Leader)

We are pleased to say that we have arranged with Harti to use the Bank of England swimming pool once a month, and we had our first session on 4th May. We would like to congratulate 13 boys who attained their swimmers badges, i.e. 2 boys (3rd stage swimmers)-3 boys(2nd stage swimmers)and 8 boys(1st stage swimmers)

We would like to thank Gordon & Mrs Secker and Rod Leigh for taking the boys through their badges. Our next session at the pool is on the last Friday in June.

We had a good turn out for St. George's Day Parade, and thank the Mums and Dads for sending the boys so smartly dressed. We are looking forward to the Camp at the end of May.

AKELA & RIKKI

I apologise to the readers of Water Rat for this very 'sparse' edition, but everybody seems to have gone on holiday! So, as promised I have 'gone to print' with what I have received - lets hope next months edition is full of news from the Section leaders - - -!

IMPORTANT

There must be some Dads or Leander Supporters out there, who have had the experience of tiling their own bathrooms etc??

How about contacting Keith Maund on 399.5846 and offering to give a couple of hours to lay a few tiles in the boys new showers - it is now very urgent, and your help would be so appreciated. Many thanks.

Ed. Mary Clark.
