

# 10th TALK

January  
2026

The Newsletter of 10th Romsey (Woodley & Crampmoor) Scout Group

## Dates for your Diary – 2026

Sunday 18th January	Matinee (for Squirrels)	2.00pm- 4.15pm	Plaza, Romsey
Friday 23rd January	Pantomime Visit (Beavers and Cubs)	7.30 – 9.45pm	Plaza, Romsey
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February	Founders Day		

## Silver Acorn Award

*Our congratulations to Martyn Blake who has been awarded the Scout Association's Silver Acorn Award for his efforts supporting Scouting for over twenty years.*

*Martyn is the Team Leader with Mohican Cub Scout Pack here at 10th Romsey, but he volunteers with the 1st Edgehill and Torridge Cub Scout Pack in Devon as well.*

*He has also been involved in organising District Cub activities and Group and District fund-raising. You may have seen him in full flow with racing the District Dinosaurs at the Mayor's Picnic.*

*'Very well done'.*

*Ian Moore* Group Lead Volunteer

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# 10th Romsey's New Year's Walk



*On the Monday after Christmas a sizeable group of Section Leaders, Assistants and retired Scouters met at Janesmoor Pond for an enjoyable walk through the plantations adjacent to the pond.*

*On returning to our cars we found hot drinks had been provided and also mince pies, cheese and walnut biscuits and rocky road cake.*

*Many thanks to the organiser of the walk and refreshments.*

## Subs and Gift

### Aid

*If you haven't already done so . Please settle as soon as possible  
Please consider signing up for Gift Aid if you are eligible. You can register electronically through OSM.  
No personal details are needed - just a signature to say that you are a tax payer.  
For those who need one, a hard copy is printed at the end of this newsletter.  
Please complete and return to your Section Leader.*

*Likewise if your circumstances have changed and you no longer pay tax please speak to your Section Leader or the Group Treasurer to cancel the mandate. Once signed the mandate is applicable for as long as your child is in the Scout Group.*

*The lockdowns and restrictions prevented many fund-raising opportunities in the past few years. Gift Aid receipts have become even more important. If you have submitted a paper application in the past, please confirm your application in OSM*

## Famous 5.

### FIVERS DECEMBER/JANUARY REPORT.

*Apologies for missing the December edition, technical problem. Fiver!!*

*During December we completed a variety of jobs at the hall.*

*Following the theft of the waterproof tarpaulin covering the campfire wood pile we have installed 2 CCTV cameras (dummy ones!) which cover the wood pile and campfire together with CCTV signs on the field gate and wood pile in an attempt to avoid anymore thefts. Fingers crossed.*

*The lights in the camp store on both floors are now activated by means of PIR's so no more driving out of the car park, noticing the lights are on in the upstairs camp store and having to go back and turn them off! Everyone has done it. We certainly have!*

*We have installed an isolating valve to the water supply in the loft serving the shower in the girl's toilet which is left in the OFF position to avoid any chance of legionella. If the shower is required, you will need to turn the valve on but please remember to turn it off after use.*

*The group storage section in the loft has been cleared and all items transferred to the garage to be checked by the section leaders to see if there are any useful items that need to be kept. Once checked any items not required will be disposed of!*

*We have managed to repair the leaking tea urn in the kitchen as you can imagine it was a high priority job!!*

*Our thanks to Malcolm Mclean (man who built the garage extension) who kindly helped us repair the vandal damaged back door adjacent to the kitchen.*

*The field taps have been drained for the winter to avoid any frost/freezing damage.*

*The Fivers enjoyed a very well-earned Christmas lunch at the Hunters!*

*Our first job in the New Year was to add some additional PIR'S to the first floor camp store to ensure there were no blind spots.*

*We have replaced the light that had stopped working in the main hall ready for a new year of scouting.*

*We have cleaned out the fire pit following its use over the Christmas break.*

*We are all looking forward to some new tasks, delicious cakes and cups of tea in 2026.*

*Remember, if you see anything that needs fixing, maintaining or anything that we can help with do not hesitate to ask or let us know.*

*The Fivers.*

# Squirrels

## Squirrel Scout Drey

Squirrel Scout Leader

Drey Assistant and Drey Reporter

Drey team Members

**Monday 5.00 - 6pm**

James Wilson

Laura Pridmore

Lisa Van den Berghe

Jan Pridmore

Jonny Moles

[squirrels@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:squirrels@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)

*Squirrels had a very busy final session before Christmas. The Drey enjoyed a festive party filled with games, music, reindeer food making, and gingerbread decorating. We also celebrated three Squirrels moving up to Beavers and were delighted to invest five new Squirrels into the Drey.*

*We are looking forward to welcoming two new Squirrels, along with our returning Squirrels, for an exciting programme ahead including Brilliant Builders, Space, and some fun hands-on experiments.*



## Sequoia Beaver Scout Colony

Beaver Scout Leader

Colony Assistants

D of E Helper

**Tuesday 5.30 - 6.45pm**

Rowena Naile (Hawk)

Brett Hill (Wildebeest)

Philippe Rocques (Lion)

Myles Hourihan (Panda)

[sequoia@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:sequoia@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)

## Maple Beaver Scout Colony

Beaver Scout Leader

Assistant Beaver Leaders and Colony Reporter

Colony Assistant

**Thursday 6.00 - 7.15pm.**

David Henderson (Eagle)

Verity Pillinger-Cork (Lion)

Anna Chaffey (Dolphin)

Ross Knowles (Badger)

[maple@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:maple@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)



## Mohican Cub Scout Pack

Cub Team Leader

Cub Team Members

Cub Team Member and Pack Reporter

Young Leader

**Monday 6.30 - 8.00pm**

Martyn Blake (Baloo)

Jason Hunt (Rama)

Andrew Urben (Rocky)

Richard Wilmshurst (Thuu)

Abi Tillotson (Sahi)

Emily Goodwin (Raksha)

Lewis Bundy (Sona)

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*Mohican Cubs got ready for Christmas by working on their home help badge, to help the cubs to do lots of good turns at home over the school holidays. We also did a Christmas craft project over 2 weeks because it involved recycling a sock by cutting it into two pieces and sewing the top section into a hat shape, then we used the bottom bit, a bead and some fluff to make a gonk. We ended the term with a joint festive party with Sioux pack, where we played lots of fun party games such as musical chairs and reindeer poop relay.*

## Sioux Cub Scout Pack

Cub Scout Leader  
Assistant Cub Scout Leaders

Explorer Young Leaders

**Friday**

**5.45 - 7.15pm**

Ryan Orgill(Akela) (07500 299210)  
Adrian Hargreaves (Hathi)  
Kevin Stokes (Ziggy)  
Thomas Hodge (Bagheera)  
Reuben Winkworth (Wontolla)  
Freddie O'Hara (Mao)  
Michelle Bower (Kala)  
Seb Hargreaves (Grampus)

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# SCOUTS

## Sirl Scout Troop

Scout Leader  
Assistant Scout Leader and Troop Reporter  
Assistant Scout Leaders

**Thursday**

**7.30 - 9.00pm**

Chris Templer (077-8658- 0948)  
Gareth Chaffey  
Emily Edgar  
Jo Leming

[sirl@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:sirl@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)

## Crusoe Scout Troop

Scout Leader  
Assistant Scout Leader  
Troop Assistant  
Troop Assistant

**Friday**

**7.30 - 9.00pm**

Vacant  
Mark Walden  
Alex Elliott  
Alex Gray

[crusoe@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:crusoe@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)

# EXPLORERS

## Tomahawks Explorer Scout Unit

Explorer Scout Leader  
Assistant Explorer Scout Leader

**Monday**

**8.00 - 9.45pm**

Robin Taylor-Milton  
Sam Martin

[tomahawksesu@gmail.com](mailto:tomahawksesu@gmail.com)

## Volunteering is good for You

Adult volunteers are invited to join the leadership teams:

### Section Assistants Squirrel Drey (Mondays) –Crusoe Scout Troop (Fridays)

DBS check needed. Induction videos

Contact the Group Scout Leader at [gsl@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@10thromseyscouts.org.uk) or speak to any Leader

## Scout Hall - Available for hire

Child's Birthday Party? Community Group?

Main hall 15m x 9m. Field space.

[View the booking calendar on our website](#)

[bookings@10thromseyscouts.org.uk](mailto:bookings@10thromseyscouts.org.uk)

## 10<sup>th</sup> Recycled Uniform shop

*We have a quantity of donated pre-owned Beaver, Cub and Scout uniform on the rail in the Committee Room.*

*If your child is changing section or has outgrown current uniform, you might consider looking there.*

*There are also some hike boots and Wellington boots*

*Nothing has been priced but donations to funds are welcomed*

## District Scout Uniform Suppliers

*Oasis Shop in Romsey (next to the Post Office) sells Scout uniform.*

*They hold a stock of uniforms for all sections including shirts, sweatshirts and activity trousers. They also hold a supply of most local Group neckers and can place orders for specific items as required.*

*Oasis has been an approved Scout and Guide uniform supplier for many, many years; they add very little mark-up on our items as they are happy to provide this as a service to us and the local community.*

*You can order by phone 01794 512194 (answer-phone always on), or by email [shop@oasisromsey.co.uk](mailto:shop@oasisromsey.co.uk)*

*Please measure your child's chest size as you are unable to try it on. Oasis is happy to deliver or post orders*

## Group Website

*We're very happy to announce that the Group has had its website updated and given a fresh new look*

*The new site has been designed with you in mind — it's packed with useful features and up-to-date content, giving you key information at your fingertips. Some of the highlights include: Access to our Group Shop*

- *The latest news from across the Group, including editions of 10th Talk*
- *A brand-new event calendar showing what's going on both within the Group and across the Romsey Scout District.*

*Our website address is [www.10thromseyscouts.org.uk](http://www.10thromseyscouts.org.uk). Our website address is [www.10thromseyscouts.org.uk](http://www.10thromseyscouts.org.uk).*

*We've also launched a brand-new Facebook page, where you'll be able to see what's going on across the Group and receive the latest updates as they happen.*

*We'd love for you to have a look and see what we've been working on. Please do visit our website, like and follow us on Facebook, and feel free to share our page with your family and friends to help spread the word.*

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1Cz5QavPEu/>

Andrew Urben

# Gift Aid Declaration

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## 10th Romsey (Woodley & Crampmoor) Scout Group

Registered Charity Number: 302283

NAME OF CHILD..... SECTION.....

Please treat as Gift Aid donations:

The enclosed gift of £ \_\_\_\_\_

- Today OR
- All gifts of money that I make today and in the future as Gift Aid donations OR
- All gifts of money that I have made in the past four years and all future gifts of money that I make from the date of this declaration as Gift Aid donations.

✓ *Please tick the appropriate box*

### Donor's details

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Initial(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home address:

\_\_\_\_\_

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Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs), that I donate to, will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

**Please notify 10<sup>TH</sup> Romsey (Woodley and Crampmoor) Scout Group if you:**

1. Want to cancel this declaration. OR
2. Change your name or home address. OR
3. No longer pay sufficient tax on your income and/or capital gains.

If you pay income tax at the higher rate, you must include all your Gift Aid donations on your Self Assessment tax return if you want to receive the additional tax relief due to you.

10<sup>th</sup> Romsey Scout Group, c/o The Treasurer, Scout HQ, Braishfield Road,  
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