

# 10th TALK

May 2026

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

## Dates for your Diary – 2026

19th April	St George's Day Parade & Service	2.15pm - 4.00pm	
17th October	Jumble Sale		

## St George's Day, Sunday 19th April

Please meet on the Abbey Green at 2.15pm on Sunday 19th April 2026

This year the parade is only before the service - The route is Church St., Portersbridge St., Latimer St., The Hundred, Market Place, Church St and then back to the Abbey.

We will dismiss from the Abbey Green at about 4.00pm.

**Parents and friends are requested to stay off the Abbey Green please, until after the dismissal.**

*Cubs to wear full, smart uniform.*

There is limited seating in the Abbey so please will parents and friends remain outside the Abbey until all Scouts & Guides are seated.

There will be a collection for Romsey Food Bank. Donations of food items can be made instead of financial if that is preferred.

## JUMBLE SALE

Thank you for all the help and assistance at the recent jumble sale.

We are pleased to say that £622 was raised on the day! We believe this is a record amount.

Once the doors opened at 2pm the customers just kept coming and coming. Some had been queuing since just after 12.30.

Further income will come from books, DVDs and CDs scanned and sent away and other items to be sold online, via e-bay or at car-boot sales.

**We look forward to seeing you at our next jumble sale on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**Martyn Blake (Baloo) Cub Scout Leader 10th Romsey (Woodley and Crampmoor) Mohican Cub Scouts Pack**

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## APRIL REPORT.

The Fivers continue to improve the working conditions of 10th's HQ by completing various tasks inside and out.

- The mains supply to 2 fridges and 1 freezer in the kitchen has been rewired to make it easier for switching on & off.
- Two wheeled platforms have been constructed so heavy tents in the camp store can be easily manoeuvred.
- The canoe garage has been cleared of a large pile of mats that have been put ready for disposal.
- The hall has been cleared of all the old orange chairs which have been replaced with new blue plastic ones.
- 2 donated inflatable mattresses were checked and were found to be ok.
- A large collection of ink cartridges have been disposed of since they are no longer saleable.
- A skip was filled with rubbish no longer needed from the canoe garage. This has made for an easier working area for the section leaders to use as needed.
- Today we also checked one of the donated air beds that we shall use for various camping trips.
- Several hours were spent coppicing hazel. The off cuts were used to continue building up the hedge on the Abbotswood side of the field.
- Larger diameter pieces will be driven into the ground to support the hedge stopping it from collapsing.



## 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

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The final sessions of the Spring term made the most of the weather and the Squirrels enjoyed some sessions outside the Hall. First up was the popular Chip Shop walk from the hall, around Abbotswood and the nature reserve, ending at the chip shop. For the last session of the term the Squirrels had great fun with an Easter egg hunt around the garden then decorating biscuits before sitting down to eat them around the campfire along with some songs. The end of term marked the last session for one of our leaders, Laura, whom we would like to thank for all her work and help setting up the Squirrel drey.



### 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)

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Sequoia Colony kept busy for the last 2 sessions of term. On the 17th we hiked from Braishfield Village Hall back to the Scout Hut, the route was a bit muddy in places leading to one Beaver almost losing a welly boot whilst a couple of parents will have had great fun cleaning school shoes or trainers. The daffodils were all very pretty as we went through Hilliers but the jelly beans were a bigger attraction!

On the last session of term we made Easter Nests filled with mini eggs - hopefully they all made it home. We also had the swim up for Chloe and Orla and we wish them well as they move on in their scouting journey with Sioux Cub Pack. We would like to thank all the parents for their support in the Spring Term and look forward to seeing them again on 21 April when we start back.

## Maple Beaver Scout Colony

**Thursday 6.00-7.15pm.**

Beaver Scout Leader  
Assistant Beaver Leaders and Colony Reporters

Colony Assistant

David Henderson (Eagle)  
Verity Pillinger-Cork (Lion)  
Anna Chaffey (Dolphin)  
Ross Knowles (Badger)

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## Mohican Cub Scout Pack

Cub Team Leader  
Cub Team Members

Cub Team Member and Pack Reporter  
Young Leaders

**Monday 6.30 - 8.00pm**

Martyn Blake (Baloo)  
Jason Hunt (Rama)  
Andrew Urben (Rocky)  
Richard Wilmshurst (Thuu)  
Abi Tillotson (Sahi)  
Lewis Bundy (Sona)  
Emily Goodwin (Raksha)  
Ellen Stibbs (Iagoo)  
Samuel Leming (Hawkeye)

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We visited the Gurdwara Nanaksar, Sikh temple in Southampton. It is the custom for visitors to the Gurdwara to remove their shoes, wash their hands and wear a headscarf on entering the building. Fortunately, the founders of scouting enabled every Cub to be prepared for this eventuality and we used our neckers as head scarves. We learnt about the Sikh faith and customs, spent a while in the temple observing the prayers ceremony and we were given a small vegetarian meal as part of the visit.

To celebrate the arrival of spring we spent an evening doing some eggciting things, such as hunting for eggs and designing egg shaped superheroes, which are on display in the hall. Not all superheroes wear capes!

## Sioux Cub Scout Pack

Cub Scout Leader  
Assistant Cub Scout Leaders

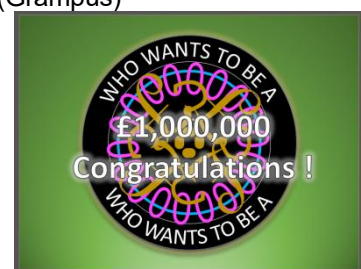
Explorer Young Leaders

**Friday 5.45 - 7.15pm**

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

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7th March – An 'eggcellent' evening.  
As we approach Easter, we decided to go all things egg shaped. We started the evening with an egg hunt and then went on to relays of egg and spoon races and a few rounds of dodge egg ball (ball on a rope), finishing with Hippo Eggstravaganza - a



variation on Happy Hippos using mop trollies and washing up bowls to catch loads of "eggs"

We say farewell to Emily, Harry, Jessica, Karina, Miles and Noah, as they continue their Scouting adventures, moving on to scouts

13th March – Indoor Caving and Local Knowledge. We put the Cubs knowledge of Romsey to the test, using various quizzes, including "who Wants to be a 10th Cubs Millionaire" and a look at Romsey's coat of Arms  
Cubs also had the opportunity to "get lost in the dark" in our indoor caving system, using various rooms, with tables and tarps, and added obstacles.

Thanks to Mohican's Thuu for preparing the local knowledge activities materials

–7th March – An eggcellent evening

20th March – Sikh Temple Visit



We spent the evening at the Gurdwara Nanaksar Sikh temple, where we were treated to a meal, then took part in a cleaning ritual, before attending a service. We were then given a history of Sikhism, its symbols and



meaning. Two volunteers even got the chance to wear a turban. Thanks to Baloo for making the arrangements and to the parents that joined us for the evening.

27th March – An eggcellent evening

As we approach Easter, we decided to go all things egg shaped. We started the evening with an egg hunt and then on to relays of egg and spoon races, finishing with dodge "egg" ball (ball on a rope).

We say farewell to Emily, Harry, Jessica, Karina, Miles and Noah, as they continue their Scouting adventures, moving to scouts.

Thanks to all for your help and support this term.



# SCOUTS

## Sirl Scout Troop

Scout Leader  
Assistant Scout Leader and Troop Reporter  
Assistant Scout Leaders

**Thursday 7.30 - 9.00pm**

Chris Templer  
Gareth Chaffey  
Emily Edgar  
Jo Leming

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Recently we have completed a few interesting evenings which have been very hands on. First we took part in an evening about meteorology, which involved learning about ways to measure the weather, how to read synoptic weather maps and understanding more about clouds and thunderstorms. This took the form of two experiments which allowed us all to get hands on making our own clouds whilst undertaking a very visual experiment to show how

thunderstorms form. Scouts do need to complete a full week of recording the weather in order to complete their badge work so please do bring these to one evening when you are done.

The following two weeks involved cooking, first on an open fire in the woods in the grounds. The scouts learnt how to make a simple meal from a single potato, adding various other ingredients such as cheese, paprika, garlic and herbs. Whilst the potatoes were cooked in the embers of the fire Chris took the opportunity to go through some items for the Astronomy badge thanks to the clear evening. After this the scouts did try some of the potato, although some were cooked more than others! The week before Easter was centred around chocolate - Emily gave each patrol a large supply of chocolate, the gas burners and the task to create a recognisable world landmark, completely out of chocolate. The Scouts worked hard and were only marginally distracted by the copious amounts of chocolate! We were treated to a Stonehenge, a Great Wall of China, a Big Ben and the winning model was of the Colosseum of Rome, complete with fighting gladiators and a cheering crowd in marshmallow form. We awarded also Cobra Patrol the Patrol Inspection certificates and said goodbye to both Pip and Scarlett who move onto Explorers. We look forward to the summer term and being outside more as we prepare for the Pulborough camping competition. More details to follow in due course.

## **Crusoe Scout Troop**

Scout Leader  
Assistant Scout Leader  
Troop Assistants

**Friday 7.30 - 9.00pm**

Vacant  
Mark Walden  
Nick Gray  
Alex Elliott

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# **EXPLORERS**

## **Tomahawks Explorer Scout Unit**

Explorer Scout Leader  
Assistant Explorer Scout Leader

**Monday 8.00 - 9.45pm**

Robin Taylor-Milton  
Sam Martin

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## **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*

## **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](#)

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# Gift Aid Declaration

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

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