

centenary of  
**scouting2007**  
Avon Scouts



# *avon2007update...*

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2007 celebrates the Centenary of Scouting worldwide and everyone can be involved. Three spectacular large scale events are being planned in Avon as well as lots of other exciting activities. This *avon2007update* is the first of a series of updates, and explains what's going on next year and helps you and your Group be prepared for taking part in Scouting's biggest and best year yet. Make sure everybody, including friends, family and helpers of your Group/Section know about the celebrations and have the relevant dates in their diary. This is a chance to bring the magic of Scouting to even more people .

## **Large Scale Events in Avon**

### **St George's Day, Promise Renewal Service**

*Sunday 22 April 2007 - Royal Victoria Park, Bath*

Bath & North East Somerset Council has given us permission to use the stunning venue of Royal Victoria Park, Bath, for our special county-wide Promise Renewal Service.

Contact: yet to be appointed - email: st-georges-day@avonscouts.org.uk

### **Avon Centenary "Ton of Fun" camp**

*Friday 25 to Monday 28 May 2007 - Woodhouse Park, Almondsbury*

Scouts across the UK will be camping this weekend – it's set to be even bigger than the Millennium Camps that saw more than 300,000 Scouts camping! Our county-wide camp will be a massive 'ton of fun' with loads of activities. The camp will be for Cubs, Scouts, Explorers and members of the Scout Network. Beavers will have a special day visitor programme. We need lots of adult volunteers to help make this event happen. Please contact Andy Hobbs and let him know how you can help.

Contact: Andy Hobbs - email: ton-of-fun@avonscouts.org.uk Tel: 0117 962 3615

### **Sunrise Ceremony: One World, One Promise**

*1 August 2007 - Weston-super-Mare seafront*

Over 28 million Scouts around the world are set to renew their Promise on 1 August. Come and party all day at Weston-super-Mare and renew your promise. It is hoped that Sunrise ceremonies will be on TV and internet worldwide.

Contact: Basil Burnett - email: sunrise-ceremony@avonscouts.org.uk Tel: 01934 838444



## **Other 2007 activities ...**

### **Join-in Centenary Resource Pack**

Inject centenary spark into your weekly programme. The Join-In Centenary Pack will be full of programme ideas to help every member of Scouting in the UK participate in the 2007 celebrations. There will be links to badges and awards. The pack will be available from September 2006 and will be sent direct to every section leader.

### **'Gifts for Peace' making a real difference to the lives of others**

Avon has chosen Friendship Clinic Nepal as our Gift for Peace in 2007. This is part of an international initiative for the 2007 celebrations to make a lasting difference. We will support this Charity at all our events in 2007.

Contact: Chris Jones - email: gifts-for-peace@avonscouts.org.uk Tel: 01249 661266

### **Centenary Wood**

Plant a tree to mark 2007. We are still finalising exact details for this project.

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[www.avonscouts.org.uk/2007](http://www.avonscouts.org.uk/2007)

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### Exhibitions at Local Museums

These will show the history of 100 years of Scouting in Avon  
Contact: Ben Salter - email: [historyproject@avonscouts.org.uk](mailto:historyproject@avonscouts.org.uk) Tel: 01275 840334

### Floral Displays

Local Council floral displays will mark 100 years of Scouting  
Contact: Chris Jones - email: [chris.jones@avonscouts.org.uk](mailto:chris.jones@avonscouts.org.uk) Tel: 01249 661266

### 21st World Jamboree

27 July to 8 August 2007 - Hylands Park, Chelmsford, Essex

- Jamboree for 40,000 Scouts from across the world.
- 72 young people and 8 leaders attending from Avon.
- Feel part of this event with live web cam links, sunrise ceremony and the Home Hospitality (HoHo) events in Avon
- Opportunities for adults to take part in the World Jamboree as members of the International Service Team (IST)
- Opportunity to visit the World Jamboree as a Day Visitor – why not organise a Group/Unit trip?

Contacts: UK Contingent to World Jamboree: [www.ukcontingent.org.uk](http://www.ukcontingent.org.uk)  
Avon Units to World Jamboree: [www.avonscouts.org.uk/worldjamboree](http://www.avonscouts.org.uk/worldjamboree) [graham.brant@avonscouts.org.uk](mailto:graham.brant@avonscouts.org.uk)  
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How will we tell you more about what is going on?

- Our County Website – [www.avonscouts.org.uk](http://www.avonscouts.org.uk) – will be regularly up-dated with news and information
- Regular newsletters direct to leaders from 2007 Team
- Updates from your District 2:007 Agent and District Commissioner

All of these events will need help and support to make them a success. Please contact the relevant person shown above if you'd like to volunteer your services. We are going to need lots of pairs of hands to make these events happen successfully!

2007 will be the dawn of a new century for Scouting around the world. It's going to be a great year, please support these events and put the dates in your diary and programme now!

Your District will be able to provide you with information on your District centenary events. We hope that you'll also be planning your own Group/Unit events to mark the centenary.

## *Prepared... for the next 100 years*

Scouting at all levels must grasp 2007 as a unique platform for launching the second-century of Scouting, and an opportunity for Scouting to grow even bigger and better. Think what you will do to achieve these objectives for the 2007 celebrations:

- Growing the Movement
- Fundraising at Group, District and County level
- Raising the profile of the organisation
- Long-term aim of embedding people, principles and processes
- Improving links with other organisations

*Don't forget to purchase the centenary uniform badges for your section*

**Growth, Recognition, Celebration**



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