

Good Practice for ACC/AAC Beaver Scouts



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To help you in your role as the ACC/AAC Beaver Scouts the UK Adviser for Beaver Scouts' Working Party has put together the following examples of good practice that have been used by other ACCs and AACs.

Programme

- Identify ways in which you and your ADCs can best support the Districts in your County/Area and their programmes
- Have a full collection of all the Beaver Scout publications and resources available to show at all possible opportunities
- Have the Balanced Programme on your agenda at every meeting so that all views can be collected and passed onto your Regional meeting or directly to Headquarters
- Promote SCOUTING Magazine and the section supplement as a source of regular ideas
- Plan the County/Area programme well in advance and in consultation with Districts, making sure your content meets the needs of the Leaders and/or the young people

Communications

- Visit District Leaders Meetings at least once a year
- Send minutes of your meetings to your County/Area Commissioner and District Commissioners as well as the ADCs
- Send the minutes of your meetings to Headquarters so that a complete picture of Beaver Scouting across the UK can be maintained
- Use email wherever possible – its cheaper and quicker, whilst also remembering that not all leaders have access to e mail
- Attend your Regional Meetings/Workshops so that issues can be discussed and views passed onto Headquarters. If you can't attend send a representative.
- Send a very positive newsletter to all your ADCs (or Colonies where there is no ADC

or as relevant) so that they are kept in the picture of what is happening across the County/Area. These could be based on the minutes of your meetings and could also include news taken from the e-News letter sent to ACC/AACs from HQ

- Update your County/Area website with County/Area Beaver news where applicable
- Collect the Beavers' views on County/Area events that you might be planning for them

Development

- Focus on supporting the recruitment of adults in to Colonies
- Keep waiting lists on your meeting agendas
- Keep a track of trends in Beaver numbers Within your Districts from year to year
- Send a CONGRATULATIONS note or card to the Colonies within your County that have grown from the last census and ask how it was achieved
- Circulate success stories on development to inspire others

County/Area Meetings

- Make them FUN, yet purposeful
- Hold them regularly on a day and at a time suitable for most Leaders
- Plan meeting dates at least 18 months in advance
- Send an agenda out in good time
- Send minutes out as soon as possible after the meeting

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