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## Welcome!

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Welcome to the 5<sup>th</sup> Edition of eNews. We hope that you are enjoying the pockets of sunshine that we keep getting from time to time. No doubt you are all busy encouraging Districts and Colonies to make the most of the light evenings and to get outdoors wherever possible.

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## New Resources

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Have you and all your leaders got access to the new resources yet? Are you and your leaders aware that as well as the new Colony Essentials and The Colony Programme there is also The Colony Programmes Plus? This is a fantastic resource, which contains 40 complete and ready to use programmes - approximately one year's worth of Programme!

Also available is the new style record card, a wall chart for recording a Beaver's progress up to the Chief Scout's Bronze Award, a badge poster and a 6 – 25 Balanced Programme matrix.

The logbook has also had a facelift; there is a place on the front of the book for each Beaver to write their name. Also, the logbook has become even more interactive with stickers so that Beavers can record their own progress and awards.

Check that your ADC's have access to a set of resources so that they can show Colony leaders what they are missing!

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## Appendices from Colony Essentials

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Recently added to the Beaver Scout pages on Scoutbase are the sample forms that are found in the appendix of Colony Essentials. To find these please go to:

<http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/6to25/beaver/resources/>

The forms are available to download in both PDF and Word versions.

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## Reunion '08

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This year Gilwell Reunion will take place over the weekend of 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> September at Gilwell Park. The weekend is an opportunity for all adult Members of the Movement to come together for a weekend of fun. Throughout the weekend you will have the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities, meet old friends, make new ones and share experiences with fellow Adults in Scouting. The Programme Team will be running workshops during the weekend, so why not drop in and join us. There will also be an opportunity to say "hello", and tell us what's happening in your County/Area.

To book your place at Reunion '08 go to [www.scouts.org.uk/reunion](http://www.scouts.org.uk/reunion)

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## Regional Workshops

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Starting in October 2008 and running until the spring of 2009, the UK Programme Team will be running a series of **Regional Development, Advice and Support Workshops** for adults supporting Sections. You will be contacted directly with further details such as date and venue, and there will be an opportunity for you to invite others from your *County* that support the programme.

All participants will be consulted about the programme of the workshop, which will be devised in consultation with your Regional Commissioner. For more information on the workshops, see:

<http://scoutbase.org.uk/6to25/beaver/news/rdaas.htm>

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## Young Leaders and the Beaver Colony

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The Young Leaders' Scheme has been running since 2002 and during this time it has become very successful.

Many colonies have Young Leaders and I'm sure you will agree that they are definitely a valuable asset to the Colony, particularly when they are regularly involved in the programme planning meetings, have a clear directive for each Colony meeting and feel part of the leadership team, whilst at the same time, not being put upon.

And best of all, the Beavers love them!

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An interesting question to ask yourself.... how many leaders actually know about the Young Leaders own training scheme and what's involved? How many leaders actually ask their Young Leader what they want to get out of their time with the Colony and how they, as Colony leaders can help them with their own development as a Young Leader?

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## Sponsored Badge Material

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There are currently three Beaver Scout Activity Badges that are sponsored: Creative, Imagination and Healthy Eating.

The Creative Activity Badge is sponsored by Hot Wheels from Mattel. The third edition of the material has just been produced.

The Imagination Activity Badge is sponsored by Jetix, a children's television digital channel and the Healthy Eating Activity Badge is sponsored by 'Eat in Colour' campaign that is encouraging people to eat more fruit and vegetables.

All the material can be ordered from: <http://www2.scouts.org.uk/sponsors/healthyeating/> or via the Scout Information Centre on 0845 300 1818.

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## Activities eNews

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For the latest information from the Activities team at UKHQ, please visit [www.scoutbase.org.uk/ps/activities/news/enews/jun08.pdf](http://www.scoutbase.org.uk/ps/activities/news/enews/jun08.pdf) to view their latest eNews.

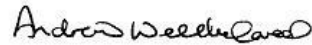
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## Finally...

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Thank you for reading the fifth edition of Beaver Scout e-News. As usual if you have any comments or feedback we are always delighted to hear from you at [beaver.scout@scout.org.uk](mailto:beaver.scout@scout.org.uk)

We hope you have a relaxing summer break.



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