



THE K9NDER TIMES



Newsletter 14

By the time you read this newsletter you should be on your bus heading back to the UK. The weather hasn't been as kind to us as it was for the Group of Surrey Scouts who were in Kandersteg the week before you.

The Core Team do hope that you have enjoyed your week here and have experienced Swiss life and some new activities?

This expedition to Switzerland has taken over 2 years to organise and we hope that it has given you the expectations that you have thought about.

The Swiss people are a wonderful and welcoming community and we hope that you may come back to Kandersteg, perhaps in the future and experience 'live the dream' again on your own.

The 'Pinkies' are a great bunch of guys and gals who work here at Kandersteg and have bent over backwards to accommodate some of our requests... we hope that you will appreciate this?

We will be updating the Surrey Scouts website with some more pictures of both weeks, so please do check it out. The website address is www.surrey-scouts.org.uk/k9.

Our final Joke of the Day

How many psychologists does it take to change a light bulb? Answer at the foot of page two...

Weather in Adelboden, CH, as at 11.00am on Friday

Saturday - rain at first, cloudy and 14c

Sunday (UK) - cloudy 21c

Activities Desk...

Sorry, we're closed...!

Activity Equipment.

Did you return all your equipment before you left, if you haven't, please contact the K9 Activities team upon your return to the UK.

Lost Property

The box of lost property will be taken back to the UK and a list distributed to all Group Leaders in the

future. Details of collection of these items will be included.

(How did some of eat and drink, there are loads of plates, cups and cutlery in the box - Ed)

Our Drivers...

All our Drivers have been 'first class' over the 2 weeks. They continually comment on your good behaviour and cleanliness which has been very well accepted by the Core Team.

A **BIG** 'Thank you' to our Drivers and to Bakers Dolphin.

Remember to 'Adopt' a Driver on the way home and look after them... ☺

Our Surrey Lion is named...

The Surrey Lion Mascot has now been named:- LEO which stands for 'Lets Enjoy Ourselves' and was submitted by 2nd Guildford Scouts, so well done to them.

Happy Birthday toooooo....



**Matthew Hawton
Of 1st Stoughton
14 on Saturday
&
Sophie Woolford
from Banstead
16 on Sunday**

Media Team

The Media Team have produced 14 newsletters over the last two weeks and have continually updated the website and blog (subject to getting a internet connection!!!) Thank you to all Week 1 and Weeks 2 guests who have provided us with copy and laughs, if it wasn't for you, we wouldn't have been able to produce this newsletter.

Safe journey home from us..

Mike & Neil

Oh no...!

Coming down from the Gaster, one of 2nd Guildford Scouts suddenly realised why The Pinkies got their name after talking to the KISC guide, it's only taken a week..... Doh!!!!

A visit from our German friends.

On Thursday night we had a visit from Angelika and Viola who are Scouts from Bavaria in Germany. As well as swapping scarves they managed to get a photo with our very own Leo.



Oatlands Scout Group visit Rothorn

For their last activity day, Oatlands Scout Group decided to go for a gentle and not so gentle train ride. After a short coach journey to Interlaken, we strolled through the town looking at the local sights and reached the ferry terminal where we boarded the steam paddler for our short trip across the lake.



During the journey we took in the views and enjoyed the leisurely pace of the old boat .

We reached the steam train which was to take up us the mountain. The Scouts enjoyed the journey on the train because of the amazing views and they were able to be together and bond as a complete unit. After stopping to get a 'cow off the line', we continued to the top enduring amazing gradients where you couldn't stand up.

After some refreshments and taking in the view we walked to the top of the Rothorn to invest four Scouts into the newly formed Eiger Explorer Scout Unit (Shame you couldn't see the Eiger because of the cloud). Oscar, Simon, Matthew and George were wowed as they got invested in such a spectacular place. Some Scouts were also promoted to SPL and PL's.

After catching the train down the mountain, which the Scouts enjoyed because it was felt that this trip was like a theme park ride.

What a grand day to end our wonderful trip to Kandersteg on...

Thank you from Spelthorne Explorers

What a brilliant end to our week, a trip up the Jungfrau. The weather was fantastic, the clouds cleared and the sun shone to reveal spectacular views. For some they enjoyed snowball fights in August whilst others took the path to the mountain hut for some more traditional mountain food and for some more spectacular views. We collected together for the investiture of Ben and Amber under a Swiss flag on the Eisbahn platform just in time for a journey back to Kandersteg. A fantastic day was had by all.

We are sure that we write on behalf of all of us, week 1 and week 2, we would to thank the K9 team for an excellent camp. Everything has been so well organised and appreciated. We look forward to the next one. Thanks again to you all.

Spelthorne Explorers

A memory not to forget...

So far on K9opoly we have managed to fit twelve people in a telephone box, sent a postcard to our leader and have been in a bus....

Moreover, one of the last things to do is write this article about how much we have enjoyed visiting Kandersteg Scout International Centre and how challenging the activities were here.

The activity that was thoroughly enjoyed by most of our Scouts was the rafting, since more time was spent in the water than in the raft. Also we all laughed when our Leaders jumped in and some of the adults even fell in (or pushed in....!)

Hope everyone else also had an amazing and interesting experience in Kandersteg as we did.

Hannah and Stephanie – 3rd Staines

And our final Did you knows...

Dalmatians are born without spots

The lion that roars in the MGM logo is named Volney.

The average person laughs 13 times a day.

Answer to this editions Joke

How many psychologists does it take to change a light bulb? One but the light bulb has to really want to change.... ! (*thankfully, that's the last one – Ed*)