

Baden-Powell Guild UK Milton Keynes Branch

Newsletter 101 - 4th May 2021

Absence makes the heart grow fonder

Hello

It's been a long time since the last newsletter, for which apologies, but it's something of a daunting task to try and live up to the standards set by Harry, who I am sure will be sorely missed and long remembered by everyone.

As a tribute to Harry, we've restarted the issue numbers from 101 and re-used his last 'thought of the issue', as our First one without him.

To start with we will be issuing one newsletter a month, plus extra's as required.

Kevin

Future Meetings & Outings

Do you have any suggestions for guest speakers, places to visit or any other activities we could undertake at any of our future Social Meetings, or to close meetings.

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Branch News

Branch Meetings

At a recent Branch Meeting it was agreed that we should simplify the branch meeting dates as follows.

The 1st Tuesday of each month will be a formal 'Business' meeting, where any decisions regarding the running of the Branch and it's activities would take place & would finish with a fun item of some kind.

The 3rd Tuesday of each month would be a Fun event and/or a Guest speaker.

Branch Survey

As you will be aware most of our Branch Meetings are currently being held online, on a Tuesday at 14:00.

We are very conscious that this does not suit all of our current and possible future members, and so with a lot of the Covid restrictions due to end later this month. we felt now would be a good time to ask everyone what days and times would be most suitable for you.

We are also very aware that we know very little about each of you and how you see the Guild progressing in Milton Keynes.

With all of this in mind we have just launched a Branch page on the National Guild website http://bp-guild.org.uk/structure/branches/milton-keynes/

As part of that launch we are also opening up an on line survey, to gather your thoughts and ideas. If you would like a printed copy of the survey please let us know.

The committee will then analyze the results, and produce a three year plan for taking th Branch forward.

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National Guild News

At the 43rd Annual General Meeting of the Baden-Powell Guild of Great Britain held online on Sunday 21st March 2021, at was agreed that the name of the Guild should be changed to "Baden-Powell Guild UK" and that as a result the Guilds badges should be updated accordingly.

Hence the Change to the header of this newsletter.

It is custom at the Guild AGM to present the Chairmans Cup to a member or group of members for their contribution to the Guild over the previous year.

This year the cup was presented virtually to the Milton Keynes Branch with the citation "They are a new branch they have overcome many obstacles to form and thrive and show commitment."

The cup was formally handed over by the National Secretary at a 'Covid safe' branch meeting at the Milton Keynes 'Tree Cathedral' on Tuesday 20th April, you can see photos online http://bp-guild.org.uk/structure/branches/milton-keynes/



We are still collecting items for the Food Bank, so please don't forget to contact Yvonne if you have anything we can pass on to them.

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The Quiz

All from old TV adverts for Sweets & Food

- 1. What would a Humphrey be looking for in your kitchen
- 2. What is just enough to give your kids a treat
- 3. What do a Million housewifes pick up every day
- 4. What has four refreshing fruit flavours
- 5. What should you go to work on
- 6. Which box of chocolates was said to grow on you
- 7. What chocolate bar 'would you risk it for'
- 8. What 'Helps you work rest & Play'
- 9. What turned everyone into 'A Fruit & Nut Case'
- 10. Who asked Mummy to "tell em about the Honey"

Next Meeting

Our next meeting will be at Adrian & Leslie's Garden on Tuesday 18th May from 2pm, subject of course to any changes in the Covid 19 guidelines.

Lesley will be providing a finger buffett, space for parking is limited so can you please contact Adrian to confirm your attendance.

We will also be holding the long anticpated, whos baby photo is whose competition, with the photos pinned up around the garden.



We are also still collecting Postage Stamps and unusual Postage Franking Marks, so please don't forget to pass any you have onto members of the Guild Officers.

Stay Safe Everyone & See You Soon