



21st Romsey (Nursling & Rownhams) Scout Group



As reported last month, we held a Group all-age camp at Wilverley at the beginning of August. The Scout and Explorer sections immediately followed this up with their own camp, during which they went on a couple of hikes, one to Burley and the other along Hurst spit to the castle. Other traditional camping activities included cooking some meals for themselves and pioneering – in this case building a trebuchet.



Less traditional was an outing to the owl and raptor centre in Ringwood, where they sponsored a white-backed vulture which they have named Gomez.

Although some of the Cubs attended Group camp, the Phoenix section later held their own weekend, camping in the glebe field at Lockerley. Unfortunately the Sunday proved to be one of the few wet days of the summer, with rain most of the day. It failed to dampen the campers' spirits as they made use of the facilities of the Lockerley Scout HQ. However, after the event there were a lot of tents to dry, leaving our HQ looking like a bizarre laundry.



Some leaders and Scouts from 21st lent our share of support to the District Scout site at Romsey Show. Our assault course is always popular with young children, bored with the trade stands.

Congratulations to Assistant Scout Leader Steve and Cub Leader Jason, who have both been granted the Chief Scout's Commendation for good service, recognising their contributions to Scouting over the past 5 years or so. Well done, too, to Sarah, one of our newer Assistant Cub Leaders for completing her training in very swift time and gaining the Wood Badge.

Once they had recovered sufficiently from camps the leaders got down to planning their programmes for the Autumn Term. These can be viewed on our website, www.21stromsey.co.uk, where you can also find "contact us" links for enquiries about joining the Group, or for use of the HQ.

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