

Knocklyon Scout Group 112th Dublin

Scout Summer Camp

This summer 11 leaders, 48 scouts, and 16 venturers packed their rucksacks and hiking gear and headed to Kandersteg International Scout Centre in the Swiss Alps for their Summer Camp. Over the course of two weeks the scouts and venturers experienced a variety of activities including rafting, gorge walking, High Ropes courses and tobogganing. The Scouts could be heard yodelling as they hiked through the Alps, staying overnight in mountain huts and swimming in alpine lakes. The scouts also had the opportunity to visit the towns of Brig and Interlaken and had a day of fun at a nearby waterpark. Staying in the Kandersteg International Scout Centre also afforded the scouts and venturers the chance to take part in an International Night where they met scouts and guides from all around the world. All the scouts and venturers had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Special thanks must go to Robert Denvir (Camp Chief), Andrew Slowey and their team of leaders for their tremendous work in organising the trip which was undoubtedly the highlight of the scouting year.

Cub Summer Camp

Over the sun-drenched June Bank Holiday weekend, 40 Cubs from Knocklyon joined over **5,000** Cubs, Beavers and Leaders from around Ireland in Dalgan Park, Navan for JamÓige 2009. Over the course of an action packed weekend the cubs visited five activities zones based on mythical Ireland where they made drinking cups from coconuts, lit fires with flint and carried buckets of water through an obstacle course. In the evenings the Cubs took part in “Sub Camp” programmes including the J-Factor talent show culminating in the “National Event” final on Sunday night. In the final Monday night cubs Niamh Murray and Jenny Flaherty represented the “Liffey” sub camp finishing a very creditable third overall, well done girls! On Saturday the cubs had great fun making rice crispy buns for sale at the trade fair that night. All sold very quickly and the cubs used their JamÓige “euros” to buy things made by other cub packs.

JamÓige 2009 incorporated the **first ever Beaver overnight event** on the Sunday night. Beavers from Knocklyon’s Thursday Night Colony were among some **1,000** Beavers at this inaugural and historic event “sleeping” overnight in tents and taking part in their own special programme of activities on Sunday and Monday. Special thanks must go to Christine Ellis, Monday Night Cub Leader and member of the Scouting Ireland National Events Team for all the effort that was put into organising this successful event which was thoroughly enjoyed by all the cubs and beavers. Roll on JamÓige 2012!