

Operations Team Chairman's Report **May – June - July 2011**

STAFFING UPDATE

The Camp Manager and his team continue to provide our users with the best high level service. All the employed team members are continuing to perform their allotted tasks with enthusiasm and dedication to make Kibblestone a Campsite of excellence. It is an ongoing challenge to provide booking activities and instructors which now includes the High / Low ropes adventure. We are always still very reliant on our volunteers to help in Reception and the Shop and support on maintaining the Camp infrastructure.

ACTIVITIES AT KIBBLESTONE

All Kibblestone activity bases continue to be very popular. I advise all users to book early to save disappointment, as all our customers come to Kibblestone to enjoy these activities. We now have the High / Low Ropes adventure activity for hire – just waiting for our customers to have a go. Have a look at our very competitive prices by viewing the Kibblestone website www.kibblestone.org or contact the Camp Manager on 01785813407.

OPERATIONAL SUPPORT TEAMS.

(Would You Like to Give Your Support to any of the Teams?)

DEN SERVICE TEAMS

Den Service Teams continue to support at weekends helping to keep the Campsite clean and tidy, they also help to maintain the infrastructure. We are on the lookout to recruit more Service Teams, if you would like to have a go at this excellent, challenging, experience, contact the Camp Manager on 01785813407 for an introductory weekend.

SHOP TEAMS

The Trading Post is open throughout the year. The Shop Manager with regular weekend teams covers 46 weekends of the year operating on a rota system. The Trading Post is now required to open more midweek and evenings in line with our business needs. Our challenge is to co-opt more midweek / evening staff. If you are interested and can spare a few hours of your time, please contact the Shop Manager or the Camp Manager on 01785813407 for details.

RECEPTION TEAMS

This support group help at weekends with the Reception duties. The Reception is the hub of the Campsite; we have trained some individual regular volunteer helpers in this special role. Reception team meetings have been set up to ensure that all members operate within the agreed S.O.P. for reception duties so that we obtain maximum customer service. If you would like to volunteer your services, please contact the Camp Manager on 01785813407 for more information.

GOTCHA TEAM

This group of very practical, self-skilled tradesmen support the Campsite Mondays and / or Tuesdays each week working on development projects and infrastructure maintenance work. If you would like to get involved and have any time to spare and would risk joining this happy band, please contact the Camp Manager.

ASTON & LITTLE STOKE ENGINEERING TEAM

The engineering team in consultation with the Camp Manager plan and carry out special estate groundwork projects, giving service once or twice per year.

If your group would like to be involved in this unique way, please contact the Camp Manager on 01785813407 for details.

KIBBLESTONE SCOUT ACTIVE SUPPORT (Fellowship)

The Scout Active Support is a team of people who offer their time and support to the Camp Manager to help on planned Camp events. They also hold social events to raise funds. New Scout Active Support members are always welcome. Please contact the Camp Manager for enrolment details.

MOSTY LEA MILL FRIENDS

The Friends open the mill for guided tours for the public who are interested in mills. They also do mill tours by special request. A small group of dedicated Friends meet fortnightly on a Wednesday in the summer months to maintain the mill's infrastructure.

All the above teams continue to support the Camp on a voluntary basis. We do need new members for all these teams. WHAT ABOUT IT DISTRICTS? CAN YOU HELP? PLEASE CONTACT US AT KIBBLESTONE ON 01785813407.

SUPPORT FROM C.P.S. (Probation service) & B.T.C.V TEAMS

The C.P.S. Team work on projects on Sundays each weekend. The B.T.C.V teams come on a weekly basis.

Operational Projects Achieved

Constant updates on the Kibblestone website www.kibblestone.org

Review of how we can communicate better to our users

Repairs to the Rover Den washroom roof

Improve power supply to Amor Meadow toilet / washroom facilities

Refurbish male showers Fox Glen to ensure better safeguarding compliance

New build replace Rifle Range building

Boys Field Toilet / Washroom alterations to ensure better safeguarding compliance

Operational Projects on review as ongoing operationally

Constant updates on the Kibblestone website

Review of our budgeted business leaders (budget v forecast)

Review of the complaints policy and procedure

Traffic speed control measures on the 'S' bends & Camp entrances on Oulton Road

Move IT equipment into Archive storeroom, & install upgrade server

Installation of ventilation fans in Fox Glen, RCTC, and Cub Lair kitchens

These are only an abridged version of the 'Projects Achieved and Ongoing'; a full account can be accessed from the Operations Chairman's Projects Quarterly Review Report available on the Kibblestone website / Divisional Notebook.

Many more ongoing routine maintenance work and health and safety requirements are reviewed weekly by the Estate Manager, Divisional Chairperson and the Camp Manager.

Bob Dudley - Operations Team Chairman / Estate Manager