



## Delivery Girl to Scout Shop Manager - 40 years of volunteering



June Milsom was presented with a 40 year Long Service Award from the Chief Scout by Nigel Sayers, the District Commissioner for Kennet District Scouts on 9 June 2005.

June is an Adult Volunteer with Kennet District Scouts and she runs the local Scout and Guide Shop in Newbury from her own house.

The shop provides access to uniforms and other equipment for local youngsters involved in Scouting or Guiding and the turnover which exceeds 30,000 pounds is testament to June's hard work and dedication.

June's first job in Scouting was as a young girl cycling around the District delivering badges and other items for her father who was then Badge Secretary. She would cycle quite some distance to Scout Groups in Thatcham and other located in West Berkshire. June now runs the local Scout shop from her house. Not only does she run the local shop but her son Richard a Cub Scout Leader and 4 of her grandchildren are currently in or have been involved in Scouting in Kennet.

Presenting the Long Service Award, Nigel Sayers said I have found June's advice, experience and counsel a great help. ON behalf of all the young people and Adult Volunteers involved in Kennet District over the last 40 years I thank June for her many years of service and continued support of Scouting.

At the same ceremony awards for Long Service totally over 115 years were presented. 25 Years Service Awards were presented to Di Wheatley, George Ledgerwood and Colleen Ward. All three remain active in Scouting with Di serving as Appointments Secretary, Colleen is on the District exec as the Fellowship Rep and a very active member of the Fellowship. George after many years running and assisting with Cubs at Wash Common has now been serving as District treasurer for a number of years.

The photograph shows June (2<sup>nd</sup> left), Nigel Sayers District Commissioner (1<sup>st</sup> Left), and Di Wheatley, George Ledgerwood and Colleen Ward. on the right

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Berkshire Scouts is part of the Scout Association which itself is part of the World Organisation of Scout Movements, the largest co-educational youth movement in the world and in the UK.

It contributes to the fulfilment of their potential using a progressive and enjoyable values-based programme for personal development. It provides a programme of fun, friendship and adventure for young people aged 6 to 25. There is an emphasis on outdoor adventure and helping others.

In Berkshire there are 7,7717 (2005 annual census) young people and adults enjoying a wide range of Scouting activities. Scouting is mainly provided through over 130 local Scout Groups and District-based Explorer Scout Units. Kennet District is one of 12 Scout Districts in Berkshire and is located in West Berkshire centered on Newbury, extending to Hungerford and Lambourn.