



BERKSHIRE SCOUTS

Cub Scouts raise over £350 for Charity by Finding their Way



Cub Scouts from South East Berkshire raised over £350 by taking part in a sponsored orienteering event in Lily Hill Park in Bracknell.

When the District Sixers were asked what activities they wanted in 2005 their list included orienteering and a picnic.

2nd Bracknell Cub Scouts organized an event which combined both activities and raised money for a charity with a strong association with the District.

Nick Layt Cub Scout Leader at 2nd Bracknell said "We decided to make the orienteering a sponsored event to support the Bulangira Disabled' Association in Uganda as this is something that leaders in our District support".

"Six adult volunteers in South East Berkshire District have been working since 2000 to provide the BDA with a vocational workshop. This has now been built and handed over to this group of disabled people in a rural area near Mbale in Uganda. They are aiming to make themselves self sufficient and now require tools and materials to produce saleable goods".

39 Cub Scouts from 5 packs took part in the event which involved using a map to find their way from point to point in the fastest time. The photo shows one team having just found their first check point.

Lily Hill Park has just had a £1m makeover thanks to the Heritage Lottery Fund and the Cubs Scouts were able to explore it from one side to the other in their hunt for those elusive bases.

The orienteering was followed by a picnic tea and some African themed games.

Unfortunately the day was rather showery and we had to run for cover a couple of times but that didn't dampen the spirits of our Cub Scouts.

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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. South East Berkshire is one of 12 Scout Districts in Berkshire and is centered on Bracknell, extending to Ascot and Sunningdale.