



Flags and Flashlights

Social Weekend



14th-15th March was the long awaited CSFST social weekend. We all meet up at Nine Ashes on the Friday night where we had a good chat and a laugh, which carried on until the early hours of the morning. We were woken up nice and early by member 022's mobile phone alarm clock the next morning (yes it will still ring even if you turn your phone off!!). After a lovely cooked breakfast thanks to Clare and Kelly we split off into teams to help with the Nine Ashes Clear up day. Some people went to the woods to clear trees and wood, others went to tidy up the storage huts. By the afternoon everyone was pretty exhausted (something to do with being up till 3 in the morning talking!) but we all pulled together the energy we had left to sort through the tents that had been donated to us by Tretherras School. After dinner four members of the team who are new to Scouting were invested by the climbing wall; 003 Carl, 008 Sammy, 007 Danny, 010 Jen all made their promises and were welcomed into the Scouting Family. The Camel Run which is hosted by the 1st Wadebridge Scout Group was another successful event supported by CSFST.



Camel Run

The Camel Run was the biggest turn out of the safety team for 2008, boasting a massive 26 members attending. Not all of the team were able to give their assistance for the whole night, but everyone was able to help in one way or another.

I suppose the journey to 1st Wadebridge Scout HQ was a challenge in itself for some... Some people were sensible enough to follow the Police Officer, but some chose to follow the carpenter from Newquay, although he did say "I know where it is". After going around the Lidl's roundabout 3 times, the lost convoy needed to park up in Lidl's Car Park and phone for help, its only 500 yards from Lidl's. Along with this someone, claiming to be a member of the Coastguard, forgot to or naffed up tying down the metal ramps for use on one of the bases. So half way down the road towards Nine Ashes, tied in with the erratic driving pattern, they fell off Ian's roof. The team finally all regrouped at 1st Wadebridge and were briefed on the plan for the night.

After this the team were allocated their jobs for the night, due to the nature of the team we were able to offer a range of services throughout the night, including: Traffic Management, People Management, Bases en route, Support Vehicles for drop outs and also rapid response first aid. Kris, a member of the CSFST after helping at Cornwall's Centenary Camp, during the day is a Paramedic and was able to borrow a Rapid Response vehicle, which was permanently manned throughout the night by Kris and Carl. Whilst being out in the vehicle, Kris had to keep the computer live, which meant if an urgent job was called in to 999 he would be able to respond. Guess What? During the evening Kris and Carl found themselves hurtling down to Padstow to respond to a possible heart attack.

Throughout the night two people were picked up from the route and brought back to HQ, which one went straight to bed, but the other would not go bed or shut up...

The whole event went smoothly and the organisers kindly made a donation to the CSFST. We are all looking forward to next year's Camel Run; perhaps we will enter a team?





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Future Events

- 28/06/08 - County Beaver Day (Nine Ashes)
- 29/06/08 - County Beaver Day (Nine Ashes)
- 26/07/08 - 02/08/08 - Poacher Camp (Lincolnshire)
- 02/08/08 - 09/08/08 Smuggler Camp (Stithians)
- 31/07/09 - 08/08/09 - Wings Camp (Berkshire)

Lost and Found!

For any lost and found enquiries please contact Carl Lock – QM for the CSFST.



Sponsored Silence

Katie has suggested she undertake a sponsored silence, while on Poacher, don't worry, the sponsorship will be refunded within the first minute.

Another Busy four months Gang Show Rehearsals

Over the months of February, March and April the CSFST were involved in the supporting with the county gang show rehearsals and performances at Truro College.

During the rehearsals our remit was to provide first aid cover and supervise any children leaving the rehearsal room. It was interesting watching the show develop over the rehearsal period. However I think everyone involved would agree that the most enjoyable part was the performance nights themselves



Aberfest

On Easter Saturday 13 members of the CSFST met in Falmouth to help marshal a parade as part of the ABERFEST celebrations. For those of you who do not know ABERFEST is a biannual celebration of all things Cornish and Breton!

It was nice to see some new members of the group there for their first CSFST adventure!

Our role for the day was to provide first aid cover and supervise the parade as it processed through the main streets of Falmouth, which included a gigantic material fish.

The rain managed to hold off for the majority of the parade although it was VERY windy and cold and as we arrived at Events Square there were a few flutters of snow!

After managing to negotiate getting the gigantic fish back to the church hall??? Through the narrow streets of Falmouth we all went to Weatherspoons for a well earned lunch and to warm up!



County Scout Gang Show 2008

Our roles during the performances grew each night; we were on hand to provide first aid, supervise performers, welcome the audience, register the cast, change microphones and Paul was even given the highly important job of "Curtain Puller." (*Although he also pulled something or someone else!!!!!!!*)

As the week progressed we got to know the cast and crew better which made the whole event more enjoyable. Luckily the event went without a hitch and everyone seemed pleased with the support we had given. Abbie, the deputy stage manager, enjoyed working with us so much that she was persuaded to join the team. Welcome to the team Abbie!!

