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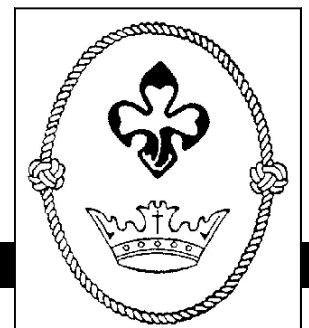


Erik has been enjoying himself

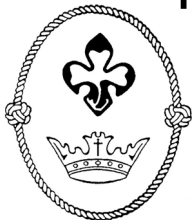
SUMMER TRIP Gillian Bradley brings us details on this years planned trip to the Isle Of Wight

SAGGA Jo Miller tells us all about the Scout and Guide Graduate Association.

Plus Answers to the word search – did you find all 53 words?



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WELCOME

EDITORIAL

The e* word is looming for many of us – but never fear, PostScript is here to provide some light relief from the r* word (or further procrastination to avoid it, depending on preference). A slightly smaller issue than normal (I really thought I might manage nine twelve page issues, but, alas, it was not to be), but still enough in here to keep you PS-ing until the final issue of term. We also have details of the Summer Trip on page 6 – hopefully we'll see lots of you there!

Finally, I wish all those with the e* word looming good luck!

*Luke Cartey (St. Catherine's)
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IMPORTANT NOTICE

Due to my F* being inconveniently placed right over PostScript deadline day I will not be editing PostScript until Tuesday 8th Week, and publishing by Thursday 8th Week – giving you a whole extra weekend to come up with those final PostScript articles. It's tradition to have a contribution from everyone for the final issue – so get thinking!

CAPTION COMPETITION

Any idea what is Lizzy's thinking?

E-mail:

iknowwhatlizzysthinking@ousgg.org.uk.

The best entry may win a prize!

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CHAIR'S REPORT

Hello again to everyone – I hope you're all having a good term and not getting too annoyed with the weather not making it's mind up as to which season it is at the moment!

Term seems to be going quite well so far, the evening walk on Shotover was good fun. I think everyone enjoyed the chance to get out of Oxford even briefly – I for one was – and the Ranger from the Council was very informative about the history of Shotover and how the landscape has developed into the one we see today. The bluebells were also out at the right time of year, and they looked wonderful all over the lower part of the woods.

The trip to Stratford last Monday also seemed to go very well, complete with guided tour of Stratford's carparks (I should probably have checked that bit..). The play was brilliant, I was utterly spellbound the whole time. We'll gloss over the "Ooh, fake blood – washing the blood!" comment in the interval, I think, and just say that it was lovely, on the way home, to be thanked for choosing to go to Stratford to see Shakespeare's Julius Caesar.

I hope you all enjoy the rest of term, with the circle-themed pizza topping (and eating), frisbee and Twister (or some combination of the above) next Monday, swiftly followed by punting and croquet in the next couple of weeks. What, me, fulfilling Oxford stereotypes...?!

Have fun, and the best of good luck to all those facing Finals, Mods and Prelims in the next few weeks.

Hannah Mycock (Exeter) – Chair



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It has only just occurred to me that this is probably inappropriately named, since I've only ever received e-mail contributions.

Dear Sir,

I would like to express my extreme disappointment at not being included as a member of the committee in the last issue of PostScript, and this being the case, I don't feel particularly inclined to bother writing an article about my beautifully planned summer trip (which of course everybody should come to) to fill up the pages of your magazine.

Yours apparently-non-existenty,
The Summer Trip Organiser

Well, maybe you just weren't important enough. ;) Don't feel left out, though – I'd managed to forget Easter Activity and Winter Walking Organisers in previous issues.

*Letters can be e-mailed to the editor at whateveryoufeellike@ousgg.org.uk – although he'd prefer it if the address was complementary (that means *not* uselessmuppetofaneditor@ousgg.org.uk).*

SCOUT & GUIDE GRADUATE ASSOCIATION

Jo Miller brings us information on SAGGA.

Well, as the end of the year comes round again, perhaps it's time for another plug for SAGGA.

SAGGA is basically SSAGO for graduates, adults in scouting and guiding who want to do a bit of service work, share ideas and experience, but also have an active programme for ourselves. Some highlights coming up this year:

July 1st - Malvern Challenge (Cotswolds)

London and Birmingham SAGGA help run bases for the immensely popular Guide and Scout challenge hike near Cheltenham. About 20 SAGGA members go to set up and run 2 challenge bases on the Saturday, and activities from climbing to crafts on the Sunday morning.

July 23rd - 2nd August - Summer Camp (Sweden)

Summer camp will be in Kragenas Scout campsite on the Swedish coast. It's apparently a nature reserve and a lovely site for the annual mixed work and leisure camp. Typically up to 80 members at one time help paint buildings, erect fences, and lay paths - whatever repair and improvement work the site needs and we've got the ability to do. The hard bit is persuading the site staff of how much work SAGGA can get done in a week!

With Ryanair flights to Gothenburg and the only cost on site being for your food, it's a cheap holiday too.

October 14th - Sailing weekend (Staffordshire)

The sailing weekend's been delayed this year because of the timing of camp. Hopefully there'll be some sunshine as well as wind! 30 SAGGA members of all ages converge on a sea-scout headquarters at Rudyard for sailing and windsurfing run by the ex-OUSGG Miller family. No experience (or boat!) required.

SAGGA is organised in regional groups, but these are only loosely adhered to, and you're welcome to come along to any SAGGA events that are convenient or take your fancy. There's always something going on somewhere. Simply contact the relevant event organiser, via the website.

<http://www.sagga.org.uk/>

Jo

WORD SEARCH

How many did you find?

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SUMMER TRIP

Gillian Bradley brings us details of the Summer Trip – you know you want to come!

So the information you've all been waiting for is finally here – the details of the most exciting way to spend your summer vac: OUSGG summer trip. Well OK so maybe going to Peru might have slightly higher excitement levels but the Isle of Wight is still good – its practically abroad, what with needing to go on a ferry to get there.

But to return to what you might actually need to know... We will be staying in the pack holiday hut on Corf Scout campsite from 2nd-9th September (that's just after the Edinburgh Festival for those who find these things important). The campsite is in the northwest of the island, about half way between Newport and Yarmouth (on the creek near Shalfleet) and the website is here for anyone who wants more details: <http://www.isleofwightscouts.org.uk/camping/corf/index.htm>

Obviously what we're actually going to do all week will be fuffed about extensively on arrival, but following lengthy research (aka playing with google and trying to remember what it was like last time I was there) I've found some of the things there are to do on the island:

- The Needles – nice rocks sticking out into the sea (some geologist can give a more technical explanation)
- Alum Bay – lots of pretty coloured sand
- The Zoo – who don't like you to take baby penguins home as souvenirs
- Yarmouth Castle – one of Henry VIII's castles (he had lots and some of us have been dragged round most of them by the historian members of the family)
- Carisbrooke Castle – another castle, a bit older than the last one
- The Steam Railway – obligatory on every well planned holiday
- Osbourne House – former home of Queen Victoria (when she was alive)



- Walks – there is, I think, one that goes right the way round the island if anybody wants to spend all week walking
- Blackberries – these are an attraction right? Last time we went there were lots anyway
- Prisons – well yes maybe we want to avoid these, but there are three handily located for badly behaved scouts
- Escalators – there are three of these too and apparently the locals are actually quite excited by them
- And lots of other things which I forget right now...

Since we're staying in a hut obviously we don't need to bring tents, and there should be a kitchen in the hut so we shouldn't need to bring stuff like that either, but I'll let people know nearer the time. We also need to organise transport nearer the time since everyone needs to get there by ferry and so do an appropriate number of cars, and working out how to do that as cheaply as possible needs fuffing over when we know who's coming. So all that remains is for you all to fill in the nice form opposite (or e-mail me at summertrip@ousgg.org.uk) and tell me you're going to come. (I don't need to know immediately, for people who don't know what their plans are that far in advance, but we do need to book ferries and I will be fairly uncontactable during August, so sooner is better.)

Name:

Dietary requirements: *I am allergic to:* (eg. fruit)

I don't eat and complain about at length: (eg. mushrooms)

I don't eat and will sit and stare at my plate unhappily and go hungry if you feed it to me: (eg. cheese)

I am a scout and need extra large portions: yes/no

I can't eat any food at all without ketchup: yes/no

I have a car and would: *prefer to bring it/don't mind bringing it*
(*We don't want to end up with too many cars because the ferries are expensive*)

I don't have a car and: *am coming by train (or bus, or broomstick)/would like a lift from somebody friendly*

Anything else important that I should know:

Return the form to Gillian, or, alternatively, e-mail your details to summertrip@ousgg.org.uk , assuming I've managed to correctly set up this e-mail forwarder – Ed.



Can't get enough of OUSGG? Then read on...

Nominations for the TGM open on Monday of 6th Week (29th May). So, if you've recently won an award for your writing skills, or simply want to be in control of the quotes league, then why not become the next Postscript editor? Or, if you've got a big room next year and would like a panda to share it with, you could volunteer to host N'n'N.

The Group also needs a Junior Treasurer, a Quartermaster, a Secretary, a Winter Walking Organiser and an Annual Dinner Organiser. Plus, of course, some lucky person gets to become Chair-Elect and organise Hilary Term.

As they say on the National Lottery, It Could Be You...

QUOTES

Only five quotes this issue – what’s wrong with us all?

Hayley (*about Hogan*): He’s on my to-do list.

Sarah: It’s probably Maddy’s – it’s a padded thing.

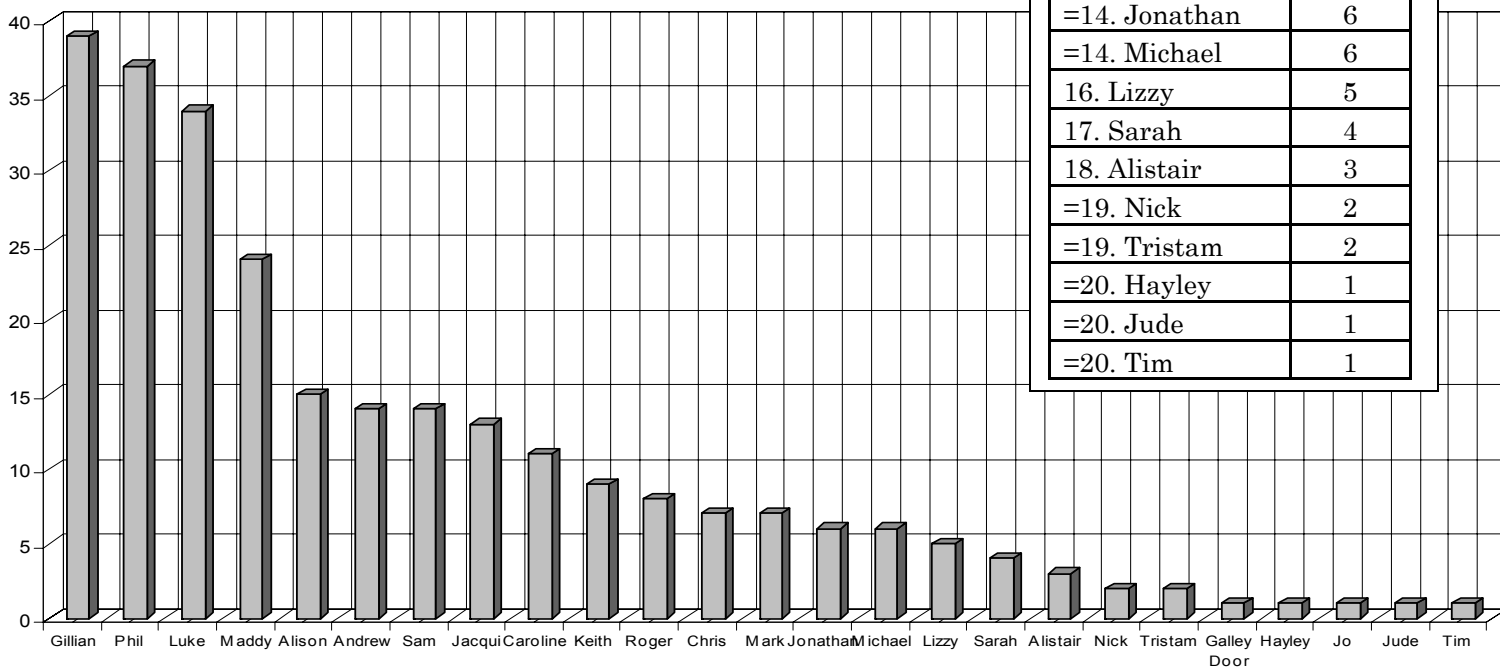
Mark: He’s really nice to stroke, actually... I remember stroking him at my first Annual Dinner, and...let’s not go there!

Tristam: I need some port – it’s really boring being a women.

Tristam: Ooh, beards are so salty!

The Quotes League

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NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of PostScript will be published on:

THURSDAY 8th WEEK TRINITY (15th June, 2006)

And therefore the deadline will be:

TUESDAY 8th WEEK TRINITY (13th June, 2006)

