



Beaver Scouting Celebrates 25 Years

On 1st April, Beaver Scouts start a year-long celebration of 25 years as members of the World Scout Organisation. While Norfolk and other UK Scouts formed as early as 1982, they were officially recognised as members on the 1st April 1986 when a promise was adopted. There are now over 1700 Beaver Scouts in Norfolk.

Old Catton's first Beaver Colony opened in April 1988. Initially with 12 members, it soon grew to 24. Interest in Beaver Scouting continued to grow and a second Colony was opened in 1991. There are currently 40 Beaver Scouts in Old Catton, aged 6-8 years old, with more boys and girls waiting to join.

Our local schools are helping launch the 25-year celebrations, and have agreed that the Beaver Scouts can wear their uniform at school on the 1st April.

Special anniversary badges have been commissioned; Norfolk Scout are launching "Challenge 25"; Beavers will be required to complete 25 challenges during the year to earn a total of 5 badges.

Our Old Catton Beavers will be taking part in a sleepover during May, joining the County Beaver celebration in July and a District 25th Birthday Party in October.

To find out more about Scouting please visit the Norfolk Scouts website at www.norfolkscouts.org.uk or your locally contact is Keith Coles on 405 438 (email keith@colesk.plus.com)