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## District Award Presentations



**T**HE annual Awards Presentation took place at the Dockyard Church, Chatham Historic Dockyard on Sunday 22nd March 2009.

Over 50 young people - Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorer Scouts - received their Certificates from Mr Paul Clark, MP for Gillingham and Rainham. All had achieved their Chief Scout's Award in the past year.

Seven leaders were presented with their Service Award Certificates by Cllr Ted Baker, Deputy Mayor of Medway and Kelvin Holford, County Commissioner, presented the Award for Merit to Roger Isaacs and Mawson Knight to recognise their Outstanding Service to Scouting.

**MORE PICTURES FROM THE AWARDS PRESENTATION ON PAGE 2.**

Remember to let the Editor have photographs of Group and District activities.

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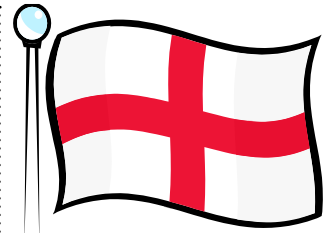
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Above: Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorer Scouts and Leaders assembled in the Dockyard Church for the Awards Presentation.

Left: Recipients receiving their award certificates from Mr Paul Clark, MP for Gillingham and Rainham, and Mr Kelvin Holford, County Commissioner.



## St George's Day

This year's St George's Day Service is being held at St Barnabas Church, Nelson Road, Gillingham on Sunday 26 April starting at 3pm. Details of the arrangements have been circulated to Leaders.

Proceeds from the Collection will be donated to the Macmillan Cancer Care unit at the Medway Maritime Hospital.

## Awards for Outstanding Service

**ROGER ISAACS and MAWSON KNIGHT were both presented with the Award for Merit at the Awards Presentation ceremony held at the Dockyard Church on Sunday 22 March.**

Roger joined the 22nd Gillingham in 1982 and later became Scout leader, running a troop of up to 40 Scouts. He organised a varied and interesting programme for the Troop and during that time also served as a District Scout leader. He ran scout camps, including some in Switzerland and organised 'Jamboree on the air' regularly. As Group Scout Leader he has worked hard to keep the Group successful including improvement work on the Group Headquarters.

Mawson has been a member of the 20th Gillingham Air Scouts for over 20 years. As a Venture Scout Leader and then as ADC Venture Scouts he assisted and organised a number of adventurous activities both for his own unit and other units in the District. He oversaw the change from Venture Scouts to Explorer Scouts and is now an active member of the District Scout Fellowship as well as assisting with the Hydra Explorer Unit.



*Roger Isaacs (top) and Mawson Knight both pictured with Kelvin Holford, County Commissioner for Kent Scouts who presented them with their award.*

More photographs of the Awards Presentation will shortly be available to view online at [www.gillinghamscouts.org.uk](http://www.gillinghamscouts.org.uk)



## WINE & WISDOM

Congratulations to the winning team (shown left) at the Scout Fellowship Wine and Wisdom evening held at the 20th Group HQ on Saturday 7th March.

Thanks go to Mick Lee (pictured right) and his team for organising and running the event.



### Centenary Badge

The District has surplus stocks of the Centenary Badge. Ideal for camp blankets. Available from the District Badge Shop price £1.50.

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The shop offers the full range of uniform and much more at very good prices.

All orders can be telephoned or emailed to Peter Ramsell [peterramsell4@hotmail.com](mailto:peterramsell4@hotmail.com) or phone 01634 574255

Visits to your Group HQ can also be arranged



## Sea Scouting in Gillingham



Left: 4th Gillingham Sea Scouts - Gun Run at Cozenton Park in 1987.

Below: the Group poses for a photograph in 1966 - their Golden Jubilee - just a couple of years after restarting Sea Scouts.



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