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*Merry Christmas!*



# Sevenoaks Newslink

## Presentation with bells and whistles!

Here's wishing all Newslink readers a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for 2013. Keep Scouting!

**THE bells rang out for a group of cubs who received their Chief Scout's Silver Award on 30 November.**

Only the bells sounding weren't church bells — they were attached to a burglar alarm that ADC John Talbot and Ali Miller set off at Sevenoaks Town Council offices as they opened up just before the event!

Ali said: "We unlocked the door, pushed the door open to hear the beep beep beep sound of a set alarm, followed shortly by a very much louder siren.

"As we had not been provided with a code there was not much we could do except stick our fingers in our ears and wait.

"After what seemed like an eternity Cllr Roderick Hogarth arrived, but was none the wiser regarding codes, but did have some useful phone numbers.

"Eventually the siren stopped ringing, cubs arrived with their families and the presentations went ahead as planned.

"We thought there might be a team of police arriving to arrest us at any moment, but it seems that the turning on of the Christmas lights in the High Street was probably

more important."

The Chief Scout's Silver Award is the highest award a Cub can receive so the group had done well. They comprised a Cub from 17th Sevenoaks (Westerham), one Scout from 3rd Sevenoaks (Riverhead) and six Cubs from 1st Sevenoaks (Braeside).

To congratulate the cubs and present the awards were Jeanette Schwarz DC, John Talbot ADC Cubs, and Cllr Hogarth, the Deputy Town Mayor.



**Silver moment: Assistant District Commissioner Cubs John Talbot, (left) Deputy Town Mayor Cllr Roderick Hogarth and District Commissioner Jeanette Schwarz with the award winners**



### Clever Kelly wins Chief Scout's Award

**Proud: Winner of the Chief Scouts Award, the highest honour a Scout can achieve, is Kelly Williams of the 4th St John's Troop**



## Pinewood rally Edenbridge style!

Recently over 60 Beavers, Cubs and Scouts turned up with their families to take part in our 2<sup>nd</sup> Pinewood Rally.

While everyone was busy turning lumps of wood into aerodynamic speed machines, the Scouts sustained us by cooking roast chicken and jacket potatoes, in our outdoor oven. John was given the unenviable task of choosing the best looking cars and then the racing began. It was a closely fought contest with Elijah (a Cub) finally coming out on top. A great time was had by all and all profits from the event went to charity.

*Julie Madden*



First you build your car... then you decorate it ... and finally you race it!

