



Royal Approval for Croydon Scouting

Over 125 members and invited guests celebrated the success and achievements of Croydon Scouting at the second annual Awards Night held at Trinity School on Wednesday 27th October 2010.

Guests included the Mayor of Croydon Councillor Avril Slipper, her Consort Mr Harry Slipper, senior members from Croydon Council, Girlguiding Croydon and the Scout Association including Mr Wayne Bulpitt (UK Chief Commissioner) and Mr Steve Waite (Managing Director) of Mansell Construction who sponsor one of the Awards.

During the evening two Explorer Scouts, Christina Pontin and Lewis Isaac gave a presentation on the recent Pinewood Unit trip to Kandersteg, Switzerland and many inspiring words were heard from the guest speakers.

The awards presented during the evening were all sponsored by local and London based businesses that all take a keen interest in Croydon Scouting and cover areas like Development, Achievement and Best Practice. A fourth special award was introduced this year called the 'Chief Commissioners Award'. The criteria for the new award was to 'the individual(s) who have made the greatest contribution to Scouting in Croydon'.

Croydon District Commissioner, Steve French read out a letter received from Buckingham Palace, quoting that "Her Majesty was interested to learn about the new 'Chief Commissioners Award' being presented this year and conveyed her best wishes and congratulations to all winners and to Croydon Scouting".

District Development Award

(Sponsored by Mansell Construction Services Limited)

Winners – 2nd Croydon Scout Group
Runners-up – 16th Purley Scout Group

District Achievement Award

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Winners – Pinewood Seahorses ESU
Runners-up – 8th Purley Scout Group

District Best Practice Award

(Sponsored by Copiertec Limited)

Winners – 28th Croydon Scout Group
Runners-up – 18th Purley Scout Group

Chief Commissioners Award

(Sponsored by GBN Services Limited)

Winners – Pat & Liam Campbell
Runners-up – District Explorer Team
Highly Commended – Sonya Dyer
Parents Nomination – David Steeds / Diana Walters / Nigel Foad