

Remembrance

Roger Parker passed away in May this year and throughout the 1970's he was Scout Leader at 1st Cringleford and here he led the Scout Troop at Camps in North Wales, Bournemouth, Whitby and Holkham with the trips further afield needing an overnight coach trip to reach them. He was also involved in getting the present Head Quarters at Cringleford built to replace the old wooden hut. He greatly enjoyed his time as Scout Leader and took great pleasure in seeing what his Scouts had achieved in their adult lives.

Derek Evans sadly passed away on 11th November 2019 at the age of 86. He had been a lifelong member of Scouting and received his 60 year good service award from our County Commissioner at last year's County AGM. His early service in Scouting was in London and Essex with him over the years holding a number of different adult appointments with Groups Districts and at County level. Derek and his wife Marylyn moved to Norfolk in the mid 90's where they already had a good number of friends in Scouting. Both took on new roles to support Norfolk Scouts, with Derek assisting on the County project to redevelop Eaton Vale and the building of Icen House.

Derek's service of a most exceptional nature was rewarded by the award of the Silver Wolf in 1994. It is true to say that over the years many thousands of Scouts of all ages have been touched by his kindness, wisdom and support. After serving some years on the County Executive, he moved across to support the relatively newly formed 46th Norwich Scout Group where his wife was already helping at the hospital Scout & Guide unit, taking on a similar Executive Committee role. In his dying wish he remembered us by requesting no flowers at his funeral but donations to the 46th Norwich Scout Group - his final gesture raised over £1,000, such was the high respect in which he was held - this money enabled the Group to purchase a portable hoist in lasting memory of a truly wonderful Scout..