

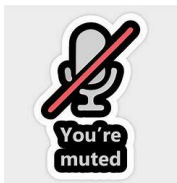


Those Covid restrictions meant we didn't have our usual weekly face to face meetings at the Scout hut, however Westwood Scouts still managed to take part every week in fun Scouting activities, both virtually in lockdown and face to face when restrictions allowed.

Our programme included a wide range of fun and challenging, home games, badge based challenges, and outdoor meetings when possible.

When restrictions meant we could not meet face to face, we kept the troop active through weekly Zoom sessions to keep the Scouts engaged.

Some of the virtual activities over Zoom included:



- a home Easter egg challenge
- Camping inside their house or outside on the garden for one night
(as part of a global Scout "Camp at Home" challenge)
- a Scavenger hunt using items they could find around their houses
- Kim's game

When able to meet outside (under the marquee or the new lean) we completed

- Pioneering activities: knots, like building a ballista
- Stretcher building/survival skills
- Scavenger hunts, Problem Solving
- Archery
- Tomahawk throwing; Knife care
- Backwoods cooking, Pancakes/twists
- We made 'Make shift tents'
- Learned First Aid,
- Practiced signals,
- And often a game of "Catch the Flag"
- and even had our **Wintery** Xmas games night!



All in all, another busy year in what is just one of 3 Scout Troops at Westhill. Thanks to the assisting leaders and parent who have helped.

Garry, Andrew, George Michael & Vanessa

