

Bath University Guides and Scouts (BUGS)**Semester 2 (February-June 2014) Report**

This semester has been non-stop for BUGS starting with hosting rally back in February we've had committee elections and handover, were at Manchester ball in strength, won an award from our SU, and that's not to mention our weekly events and activities! This report is an overview of the highlights from the past 4 months.



The semester started in February with Bathtime Rally – 18 months of hard work had led up to the event and everyone pulled together over the weekend to ensure it ran as well as it could have done. To top it off, even after 8 hours of cleaning, there was still enough energy to pull some highly attractive faces (see left). Two weeks later saw the team back together again for a debrief at Nando's, to round off a good start to the semester.

As the weather improved and the

days got longer our program saw us heading outside more frequently; we spent the day rowing and punting on the river Avon stopping for lunch midway, took advantage of the high ropes and climbing at Woodhouse Park and organised a canal walk (with a dessert stop part way through!). Thrown in with all that, we celebrated Pancake Day with a range of (somewhat interesting) toppings, learnt to finger knit as part of the brownie birthday badge and more recently made the most of the sunshine as we took a break from revision for a BBQ where it only rained for 5 minutes.



BUGS also took the time this semester for a service day at our local campsite, Cleeve Hill, doing our part to ensure the site is ready for the busy summer season. This is top of the mountain of volunteer hours put in by members into local units, at a county and national level even during exam season.



Away from our weekly and community activities, BUGS have had not one, but two chances to dig out their suits and dresses. Manchester ball was the first of these, where we made the most of the Scout Hut, and the local Wetherspoons' breakfast enjoying the full weekend in Manchester – a fantastic weekend. The second, was closer to home as our Students' Union hosted their annual activities awards evening where BUGS were proud to take home the award for 'Best Recreational Society'. A credit to the hard work and effort of the committee and members

throughout the year.

Now there's a new committee at the helm and we're looking forward to everything the year ahead will offer from Summer camp on the Isle of Weight, Nerd Rally in July and through to Freshers' Week and beyond.