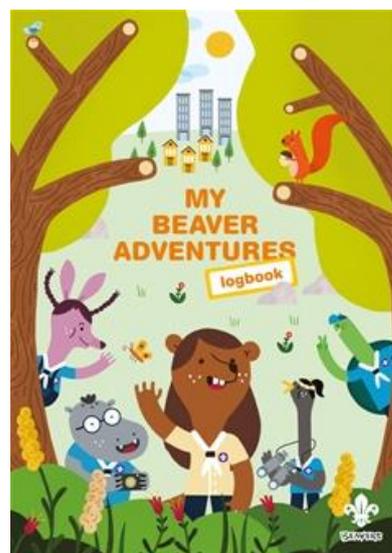


# My Beaver Adventures Logbook



Further information about the My Beaver Adventures Logbook and the development of this resource can be found below.

## Using the logbook

### How can I order a copy/copies of the resource?

It is available to order from Scout Shops, for £1.50 per item, [here](#).

### When should we give it to Beavers?

The resource could be given to young people when they join the Colony, or when they are invested into the section.

As well as supporting and recording achievement of badges/awards, it contains space to colour in their necker/scarf and record details about their Colony, introductory information about Scouting, and space to record their Promise and their investiture.

### How should the resource be used?

In response to feedback, the resource has been designed so that it can be completed by Beavers with minimal support from adults.

This could be used at home, in the section, or both. There are pages for some of the activity badges, which support requirements young people usually do at home – eg. for the Global Issues badge, space to record recycling and saving energy over a week.

## Development of the logbook

### How was the resource developed?

The resource was planned using feedback from the Your Programme Your Voice survey in November 2015. An open call was put out for Colonies to be involved in developing the resource, and it was developed with the support of Leaders and Beaver Scouts in a number of Colonies across the UK.

### Who designed/illustrated the resource?

The resource was designed and illustrated by Studio Anorak, in partnership with the Creative team and Scout Programme team at UK Headquarters. Studio Anorak are the team that create Anorak Magazine, a magazine for young people aged 6 to 12 years old.

## Characters in the logbook

### What are the characters?

The current set of Beaver characters was launched in 2015, as part of the [refreshed branding](#) for this section, alongside the refreshed Programme. These were designed in partnership with several Beaver Colonies, and along with professional designers. The range of characters provides an opportunity for diversity in appearance and personality to be reflected.

The set of characters is as follows:

- Harry (hippo) - Harry is smart - he prefers quiet activities to physical ones.
- Kyla (kangaroo) - Kyla is fun - loving, outgoing and makes friends easily - she's up for anything.

- Tareq (turtle) - Tareq is laid-back. He loves asking questions and is funny.
- Erin (emu) - Erin is shy and unsure of herself in new situations but she's also sporty and strong.
- They are accompanied by their leader, Bobbi

For the logbook, the characters have been redrawn in a more 'grown up' sophisticated way, in response to feedback from some Leaders that these characters were not age appropriate for the section. This also reflects that the logbook is tailored more towards older Beavers, whereas the 'Adventure All The Way' book was aimed more at Beavers just starting (or due to start) the section.

The new versions of the characters were designed by Studio Anorak, in consultation with the Creative team at UK Headquarters. Beavers were involved in reviewing these, and gave positive feedback. Feedback from Beavers indicates that they like both versions of the characters.

A couple of new characters also appear in the logbook (see below).

### **What are the new characters (dinosaur, bear and fox)?**

Three additional characters were drawn for this resource, and Beavers were invited to suggest names for these characters. One of these is a redrawn version of the unnamed Cub Scout character in Adventure All The Way, and the other two are new.

The 3 additional characters are as follows:

- Brooklyn (bear) - Brooklyn is friendly and helpful. Brooklyn is a Sixer in Cubs, and helps the other Cubs.
- Rusty (fox) - Rusty has lots of energy and loves playing games.
- Danny (dinosaur) – Danny is another leader in Beavers.

## Content of the logbook

### **Why is it called 'My Beaver Adventures'?**

Beaver Leaders involved in consultation were invited to suggest names for the resource, from which a shortlist of four names was created. Young people in the Colonies voted on these names, and My Beaver Adventures was the most popular choice.

### **What exactly is in the logbook?**

The logbook contains the following, and stickers are included:

- About Me – space to record information about the Colony
- Becoming a Beaver Scout – space to record Promise and investiture
- Our Scouting family – introductory information about Scouting
- Activity Badges and Staged Activity Badges recording – space to stick a sticker for each activity/staged activity badge achieved
- Staged Activity Badges – recording for Hikes Away, Nights Away, Time on the Water and Community Impact
- Activity Badges – content to support the Photography, Collector, Hobbies, Global Issues, Sports, Camp Craft, Explore
- Challenge Awards – content to support the My Outdoors; My Adventure; My Skills; My World; Personal; Teamwork Challenge Awards
- Best bits – space to record best bits about time in the section
- Chief Scout's Bronze Award – space to stick a sticker for each of the Challenge Awards, to record progress towards the Chief's Scout Bronze Award
- Moving on – space to support transition into Cubs

### **Why is there not a page for every activity badge or staged activity badge?**

Feedback from volunteers was clear that this resource should be low cost, and as the Programme for Beavers has 20 activity badges and 14 staged activity badges, it was not possible to have a page for each of these.

The challenge awards cover the main themes of the Programme, are all needed to achieve the Chief Scout's Bronze Award (top award for the section), and are generally completed over a period of time. For these reasons, there is a page for each of the challenge awards.

For the remaining pages available, we consulted with Leaders on which activity or staged activity badges we should include.

Leaders can keep a full record of badges and awards completed, using the Beaver Record Cards available from Scout Shops [here](#).

### **Why are not all of the badge requirements covered for a particular badge/award?**

There was not space to have content for each of the badge requirements for all of the badges/awards included. Leaders were consulted with on which elements of each badge it would be useful to include. This resource is designed to support a young person in working towards a particular badge/award, rather than as a comprehensive recording tool.

Leaders can use the [Beaver Record Cards](#) to record progress towards the challenge awards, and record activity badges and staged activity badges completed.

### **Why are badge requirements not listed?**

As Leaders are able to adapt badge requirements for individual young people, to ensure a similar level of challenge, the badge requirements would not be accurate for every young person who will be using the resource. Additionally, badge requirements are updated from time to time, and this avoids the resource becoming out-of-date.

All of the core badge requirements can be found online here, or in the Beaver Badges and Awards book, available from Scout Shops [here](#).

**If you have any feedback on this resource, please submit this via the online feedback form [here](#). This will be reviewed when the resource is due to be reprinted, to assess any changes or updates needed.**

**If you have any further questions, please contact [programme@scouts.org.uk](mailto:programme@scouts.org.uk).**