

# Hair-raising adventure for scouts

A TEAM of 20 explorer scouts hope to be a cut above the rest when they embark on an expedition to Nepal to bring clean water supplies to a disadvantaged village.

The scouts from Guildford East District and five leaders have an intense fundraising programme to fulfil ahead of their March trip with the aim of raising £5,000 for the project.

Maverick's The Barbers of North Street gave a handful of the team

'Explorer' haircuts in a bid to generate sponsorship. James Klirage, one of the teenagers signed up for the trip, said: "I am eagerly anticipating both the expedition and the community service project in Nayapati."

"I have yet to do something adventurous, so the trek to Everest base camp will be a challenge. Not only that but looks great on a CV and is brilliant to brag about."

"I am hoping to broaden my life

experience, meet new people, explore new cultures and maybe improve the lives of people in poverty."

"It may seem odd, but I am looking forward to the service project as much as the trek itself. I feel it will be very satisfying to know that the work we do out there will have a real impact on the people we meet."

Mark Grubb, a leader on the trip, added: "The trip has been

planned to celebrate 100 years of the scouting movement.

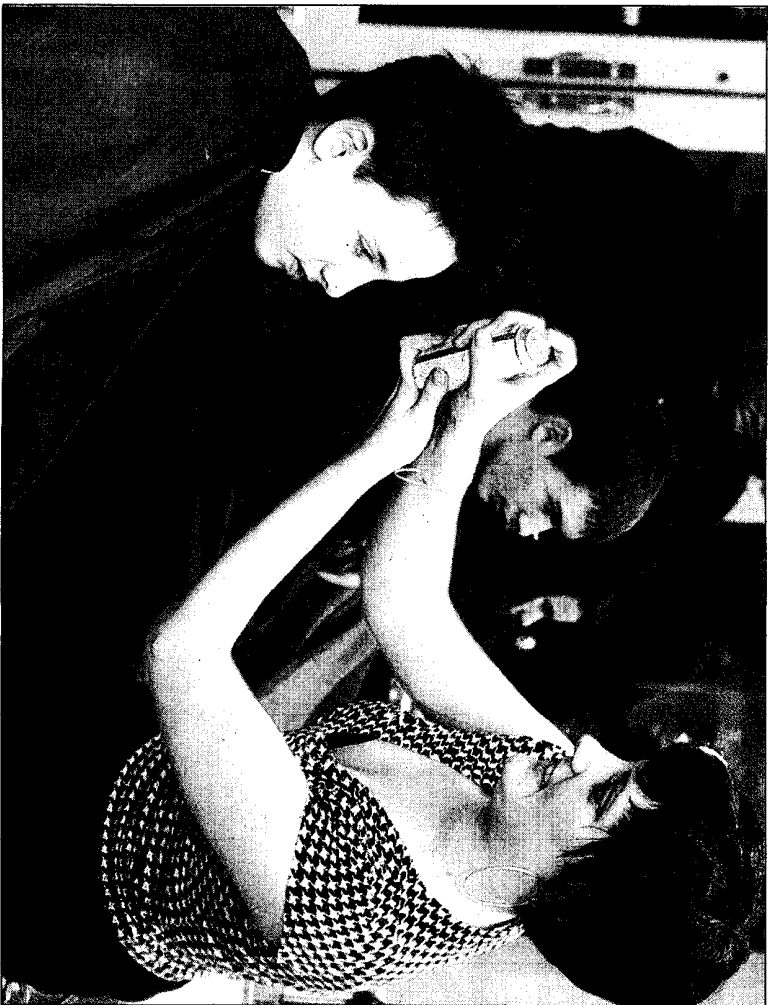
"We will be away for just over three weeks and the first thing will be for us to work on a project to in the rural village of Nayapati. The group will aid the construction of four protected water sources serving three schools in the area and the surrounding communities with pipelines to water delivery points."

"After working on the project we

will then embark on an arduous trek to Everest base camp 5,400m before returning home.

"They are fantastic group teenagers and if we beat the fundraising objective, all the extra money will go towards the project."

To find out more about supporting the expedition 2007 contact Mark Grubb on 014 506291 or via e-mail mark.grubb@ntlworld.com



Lianne Mills of Maverick's gets to work on explorer scout Chris Grubb.

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