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County Updates – 5 July 2018 – Issue 75

**Welcome**

Hello and welcome to County Updates, our regular email communication from Norfolk Scouts County Office to highlight news, announcements and opportunities that exist.

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**First Response Course**

A few places remain available on a First Response First Aid Course being held on Saturday 28 July 9 – 4pm. Cost is £20 per head. Venue - 17th Norwich Scouts, St George's RC Church, 223 Sprowston Road, Norwich, NR3 4HZ. Contact David wheeler email [davidawheeler@sky.com](mailto:davidawheeler@sky.com) or 07909 901015.

**County Scout Shooting Competition**

This year’s County Scout Shooting competition will take place on Saturday 6 October 2018 at the 1st Taverham Scout HQ, Sandy Lane, Taverham, Norwich, NR8 6JR.  [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/03/15/county-scout-shooting-competition)

**Safeguarding**

All adults involved in Scouting must complete safeguarding training every 5 years. If you would like to arrange a safeguarding training session for your District after the summer please contact either of the Safeguarding Awareness Coordinators for [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/07/05/safeguarding)

**North West Norfolk Archery Day**

On a very hot Sunday morning, young and the not so young archers from the District gathered for a District competition held at the 19th King’s Lynn at North Runcton. [More details.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/07/04/north-west-norfolk-archery-day)

**Explorer Activity Leadership Permit Assessments**

Do you have any Explorers that would be interested in gaining activity permit? On the weekend of Friday 31 August - Sunday 2 September, assessments for activity leadership permits for Explorers is taking place at Eaton Vale Scout and Guide Activity Centre. [Read more here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/07/05/explorer-activity-leadership-permit-assessments)

**Trading Post**

Please note that the Trading Post will close on Saturday 28 July and reopen Thursday 6 September. Thank you for your custom and see you at NORJAM!

**Sail Flag**

2nd Dereham (Toftwood) Scout Group have lost their sail flag. It may well have been caught up with any sail flags borrowed from the County. Please contact the County Office if you have any information.

**August Paddle Challenge**

Why not float the idea of your section taking part in the August Paddle Challenge, organised by British Canoeing? They can enjoy challenging themselves to achieve the distance, while progressing with their Time on the Water or Paddlesports Staged Activity Badges. [Find out more here](https://scouts-news.org.uk/31ME-QFTE-3D75FB-EMH2D-1/c.aspx).

**Norjam Kayaking and Canoeing volunteering**

Eaton Vale Scout and Guide Activity Centre are running the offsite activities this year for Norjam and during the week we will be getting over 1500 young people experiencing watersports. We are looking for some volunteers with kayaking or canoeing activity permits to help us during the week. If you can spare your time, please contact Darren on [darren@eatonvale.co.uk](mailto:darren@eatonvale.co.uk) or phone us on 01603 501228.

**Second chance**

In case you missed these issue…

**Royal Norfolk Show**

Congratulations to the team who have delivered the Norfolk Scouts and Girlguiding Norfolk stand at this year’s Norfolk Show for winning the Bond Challenge Cup for best stand delivered by a voluntary organisation. [Read more here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/06/28/norfolk-show).

**Top Awards**

We are looking for Young People who have completed a Top Award in the last 12 months who would be willing to tell the world about their adventure. The material produced will be used internally and externally to promote Norfolk Scouts please email [hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk](mailto:hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk) if you can help.

**Outside Organisations**

We are frequently asked to pass on information to our membership, we make the material available

[External Opportunities](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/externalopportunities) page of our website.

**Other ways to keep up-to-date**

[Our County Calendar](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/calendar)

[County Training Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/training)

[County Vacancies](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/tag/vacancy)

[County Updates](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/county-updates) is uploaded each week to our website for further sharing, please feel free to pass this update to Explorers, Young Leaders and other interested people.

County Updates is a weekly communication to all adult volunteers (except Occasional Helpers) sent to their primary email address recorded on Compass, our membership system. The purpose of County Updates is to provide details of activities, development opportunities and key information updates that develop better programmes and support volunteers to complete their roles effectively. You can find out more about how your information is handled here or opt out of receiving County Updates [on our website](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/county-updates).