To : All Scouters registered with email on Compass (excluding Occasional Helpers)

County Updates – 31 January 2019 – Issue 103

**Welcome**

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

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**This week’s updates**

New news or features this week…

**Conference**

Eighty adult volunteers from two Norfolk Scout Districts came together over the weekend of 26/27 January in Great Yarmouth for a development conference. [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/31/planning-the-way-ahead)

**County Youth Commissioner**

Having completed his agreed initial term, Dom Belcher has decided not to extend his appointment as County Youth Commissioner, to concentrate on his professional development. We thank Dom for his hard work and commitment as Norfolk’s first County Youth Commissioner.

**BPA**

A quick reminder for all adults who are assisting in BPA this year to get registered ASAP [on the website](http://www.scoutsbpa.org.uk/?page=staff-reg) please.  Also to any adults who haven't helped out before but would like to be part of the event - we are in need of help overnight on the Zones.  Free hot drinks, biscuits and wonderful company for the whole evening.

**World Scout Jamboree Update**

More information of what the World Scout Jamboree Contingent have been up to is [available here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/31/wsj-unit-18-update-2)

**Training Updates**

Additional information on 2 Adult Training Days – Modules 11 and 25 [available here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/31/training-dates-4)

**Information Sharing Day**

Information sharing day takes place on Saturday 23 February, between 10 and 4 at the Alec Bussey Centre on Rowington Road, Norwich NR1 3RR. [More details.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/31/information-sharing-day-2)

**Two Mile Bottom Campsite**

Two Mile Bottom (TMB) has a new Manager, Bob Keens. Bob is holding a meeting at 19:00 on Thursday 7 February at the campsite (IP24 1LZ) for anyone interesting in becoming part of the volunteer team to help maintain and run the site. For more information contact bobmanagertmbswn@hotmail.com

**Inter-County Team Shooting Championships**

Norfolk Scouts will be entering a team in this year’s (19th Annual) Inter County shooting Competition being held on 24 March 2019. More details on how to enter are [available here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/31/shooting-championships)

**Second chance**

**European Jamboree 2020**

Contingent Leaders and International Service Team have now been selected for the European Jamboree 2020. Find out more [here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/24/european-jamboree-2020)

**Safer Internet Day**

Tuesday 5 February is [Safer Internet Day](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019) - a global initiative to help inspire a national conversation about using technology responsibly, respectfully, critically and creatively.  This year's theme is 'Together for a Better Internet'. [More information here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/24/safer-internet-day)

**Sixer and Seconder Training**

26 Adult volunteers took part in Sixer and Seconder training on 20 January. This is the first time the course has been run for adults and those who attended can now run sessions locally. [More information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/21/5640)

**Activity Rules**

A number of rules in POR relating to Activities changed in January, as you start to plan your better weather programme take time to review this summary of the changes. [More information](https://members.scouts.org.uk/activitiesupdates)

**Commissioner’s Commendation**

It is important that we recognise outstanding people in Scouting. The Commissioner’s Commendation is the gift or either a District or County Commissioner and includes a badge and certificate. Unlike other Good Service Awards it can be awarded to not only to adult members but also to young people, non-members and groups of people. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/recoginition)

**Revised Joining Forms**

Volunteers who add new adults to Compass or welcome young people to our movement should be aware that joining forms and guidance have been updated in line with Data Protection Regulation and to support changes made by the government’s Disclosure and Barring Service. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/01/24/revised-adult-and-youth-information-forms)

**Archery Course**

Eaton Vale are organising an Archery Course on 17/18 April 2019. [More Information](https://www.eatonvale.co.uk/courses/archery-gb-instructor/)

**Regular items**

**Outside Organisations**

We are frequently asked to pass on information to our membership, we make the material available on the [External Opportunities](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/externalopportunities) page of our website. This week : [Norfolk Digifest](https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/libraries-local-history-and-archives/libraries/whats-on/norfolk-digifest)

**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).