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

County Updates – 23 May 2019 – Issue 119

**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…

***For all volunteers>***

**Can you help give our projects an initial boost?**

We’ve got two exciting projects kicking off that will see more young people experience the magic of Scouting. Both have a great core of new adults but could do with a little experience and support from our existing team. [See if you can help](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/05/23/can-you-help-us)

***For all working with the Explorer/Network Section>***

**International Options for Top Awards**

The 3 Explorer and Network Top Awards offer a fantastic opportunity to focus on the International aspects of Scouts. More details [here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Network-International-PoP-issue-8.pdf)

***For all working with Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers>***

**External opportunity – Gravity Norwich**

Alex Hook, ACC External Opportunities, has a new opportunity for all sections to trampoline, rock climb or have an aerial adventure at Gravity Norwich – [Click here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/externalopportunities) to see the flyer for details of the special offers and a leader goes free with every group of six or more !

***For all volunteers>***

**Annual Soap Box Derby**

1st Mundesley Air Scout Group are holding their Annual Soap Box Derby on Saturday 29 June 12.00pm - 4.00pm on the High Street and Gold Park in Mundesley. More information is [available here.](https://norfolkscouts2015-my.sharepoint.com/%3Ab%3A/g/personal/hq_norfolkscouts_org_uk/EUokdAY72ixOn-qJDfXJnHEBI2NDgkhZxCRYIVD7n0dgpA?e=O01pa6)

**Second chance**

***For Managers and Section Leaders>***

**Mini-Census**

There is still time to complete the Mini-Census for your section. Thank you to everyone who has provided information this help us to build a picture of membership movements during the year. Check to see if your section is still needed [here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/minicensus).

***For all working with the Explorer Section>***

**International Programme Ideas – Explorers**

Beka Millard, ACC International, has put together series of International Activity PoPs to help you bring an international flavour to your programme. [Click here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/Explorers-International-PoP-issue-7.pdf) to read the PoP for an International Explorer Activity – International Mind Mapping.

***For all thinking of going abroad>***

**International Opportunities - Eurasian Scout Region**

We have been made aware of some international opportunities in the Eurasian Scout Region. Some are happening very soon, however the opportunity to attend is still available. If you are interested in any of the [following](https://norfolkscouts2015-my.sharepoint.com/%3Af%3A/g/personal/hq_norfolkscouts_org_uk/EjLc_R9QFrhLmfKJKMiLEAQBWlB1j6KbRydEDbF29dl2CQ?e=xV2b1v) please contact Kevin Angell -  Eurasian Scout Region Manager - eurasianmanager@gmail.com

***For all interested in the History of Rover Scouting>***

**Coffee Morning Speaker**

Colin Walker will be speaking on the History Rover Scouting at the Scout Coffee Morning being held at The Alec Bussey Centre on Wednesday 29 May from 11am. More information is available from the County Office if you wish to attend. hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk

***For all volunteers>***

**Beta Scout Website**

The Beta edition of the new national website is available. <https://beta.scouts.org.uk/>

The new site is still being developed but everyone is encouraged to give it a try and feedback any tweaks or improvements you spot. If you’re a Cub Leader, why not try the new Programme Tool that is now available?

**Regular items**

**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.

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