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

County Updates – 14 November 2019 – Issue 144

**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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New news or features this week…

*All volunteers>*

**Deputy County Commissioner (People)**

The County Commissioner has appointed Keith Coote as Deputy County Commissioner for People. Keith will help lead our County strategy to provide high quality training and offer all volunteers a fabulous welcome to Scouting. [More information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/11/14/welcome-keith)

*The Big Weekend participants>*

**Session choices**

We hope everyone who is coming to The Big Weekend has received the email asking to choose your sessions to shape your programme. Don’t forget to get your selections back to The Big Weekend team by this Sunday evening. If you haven’t get in touch mailto:bigweekend@norfolkscouts.org.uk

*All volunteers>*

**Mini Census 3**

Thank you to everyone who has already completed their section’s Mini Census return. We’ve added a list of all the completed sections to our website. If you’re not on the list we would be grateful if you could complete the simple process. [More information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/minicensus)

*For all working with the Beaver Section>*

**Eaton Vale Beaver & Rainbow Activity Day**

Join us for our first Beaver and Rainbow Christmas Activity Day, Beavers and Rainbows will be able to take part in a programme full of activities for their age range. Friday 20 December from 9am. [See here](https://eatonvale.cinolla.com/eatonvale/courses/beaver-and-rainbow-christmas-camp) for more details.

*For all supporters of Night’s Away Events>*

**Gaining or renewing a Nights Away Permit**

A group of the County’s Nights Away Advisors have pulled together some useful information on the County website “Nights Away Permit” page. Whether you are working towards your first Nights Away Permit or planning to renew your permit, this week’s PoP gives some helpful advice for all adults in Scouting. [Click here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Nights-Away-Permits-PoP.pdf) to download the PoP.

*All volunteers>*

**Safeguarding refresher training**

North East Norfolk are hosting a Safeguarding refresher training course on Monday 18 November is Aylsham. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/11/14/safeguarding-refresher-training)

**Second chance**

*All working with Young Leaders>*

**Empowering Young Leaders**

Young Leaders are a great source of inspiration and enthusiasm and can play an important role in any leadership team. More information to support and empower then is [available here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/11/07/empowering-young-leaders)

*All volunteers>*

**Norfolk Scouts Remembrance**

As previously we would like to collect as many photographs of Norfolk Scouts showing their respect at remembrance parades across the county. More information [available here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/11/04/norfolk-scouts-remembrance) on how to submit.

*All volunteers>*

**Eastern Norwich Newsletter**

Eastern Norwich have started a new digital newsletter, [why not take a look?](https://us3.campaign-archive.com/?e=024b955333&u=5eb26ae005e390d082cba00b6&id=3b18fac906)

*All volunteers>*

**1st Smiles**

1st Smiles Scout Group have been featured in a blog article on the Scouts.org.uk website and in Scouting magazine. [Take a read](https://scouts.org.uk/news/2019/november/meet-the-norfolk-scouts-bringing-smiles-to-bereaved-young-people/).

*For all volunteers>*

**District Commissioner Central Norfolk – Simon Lonsdale**

Simon will be working outside the UK from 13 November until the end of 2019. Simon will have access to emails and will be Scouting remotely, however in the event that something requiring urgent or ‘in person’ attention arises please contact Deputy County Commissioner, David Cubitt.

**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.

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)