

East Norfolk Natter

A Quarterly Newsletter shared with everyone registered on Compass.

East Norfolk Annual General Meeting

You are invited to the AGM of East Norfolk Scouts to be held **15 June at 7:30pm at Wroughton Academies, Burgh Road, Gorleston, NR31 8BD.**

Refreshments available from 7:00pm served by the East Norfolk Active Support Unit. The business of the meeting will commence at 7:30pm and will close by 9:00pm. A presentation by the District Youth Commissioners will follow the AGM business.

If you would like to stand for election to the District Executive or as an Officer, you are requested to make your nominations for election to the District Executive Committee by email to agm@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk with the names of a Proposer and Secunder by five days prior to the A.G.M. the vote will take place at the meeting.

The Annual Report which includes the Annual Accounts and last year's AGM Minutes will be circulated 1 June plus one hard copy provided to each group. Please consider if you or one of your group's parents might have skills that would be of benefit to the work of the East Norfolk District Executive and apply to serve.

Meeting Dates:

All Leaders and Execs:
Wed 7 September
Tues 6 December
2022 -

Group Scout Leaders:
Mon 4 July
Tues 1 November
2022 -

District AGM:
Wed 15 June 2022

District Executive Committee:
Wed 14 September
2022 -

Appointment Panel:
Tues 5 July
Tues 6 September
Tues 8 November
2022 -

Adult Training Validation:
Wed 22 June
Wed 16 November
2022 -

Y L Training:
Wed 20 July
Wed 21 September
Wed 23 November
2022 -

District Leader Team:
Tue 26 July - DDCs
Tue 27 Sept - All Team
Tue 29 Nov - DDCs
2022 -

Events Team:
Mon 11 July
Wed 12 October
2022 -

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Platinum Jubilee Party
Sat 4 June (pm)

Pub Olympics (adult only)
Fri 15 July (eve)

Top Awards Event
Sun 25 September (pm)

D.C. Bits & Bobs...

Can you believe that we are almost half-way through 2022 and what a lot has been happening across the Scout Groups and Explorer Units of our District.

Having now visited all section meetings, some more than once, I have seen a great range of programme delivered and the great time that the young people of East Norfolk are experiencing – Fantastic.

Thank you to everyone who came to the St. George's Day event and to those that have booked to join the Jubilee Party this month, these gatherings are so important for the young people to feel part of the Family of Scouting and it is great to be able to get together again. Special thanks to everyone who has helped in the planning and supported us on these special days.

Please think about joining with a team for the Pub Olympics evening in July, it will be great to share some fun time and help our two World Scout Jamboree participants on their way to a life-changing adventure.

Yours in Scouting

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Recognising Our Outstanding People

During the last month or so, National Good Service Awards have been presented to Leaders and Supporters around Scout Groups and Explorer Units – see the Roll of Honour on our website for the full list of award recipients across East Norfolk.

In addition to the National Awards, there is another way to recognise both adults and young people who go the extra mile, above the normal requirement of the role they hold.

The District Commissioner's Commendation is a local award that is in the gift of the DC and Deputies to award. Please let them know if you think that a leader or young person has given exceptional service to Scouts or others.



Trooper was the first recipient of the D.C. Commendation to his support of other Scout Groups during the Covid pandemic. Well done Trooper and 1st Bradwell Scout Group too.

St. George's Day with Circus the Dragon...

On Saturday 23 April over 300 members joined together to celebrate St. George's Day and renew their Promise. Fun and games were had by all and St. George himself made a guest appearance, riding Circus the Dragon. The Vice Presidents hosted a tea party for our St. George's Day Award recipients; Gillian, Trooper and Janet. 1st Acle are custodians of the District Flag this year, the start of the circulation of this Flag. 1st Gorleston Scout Group received the St. George's Flag and Nelson ESU the Union Flag for their achievements during the past year.



East Norfolk at Windsor

Harri one of our Youth Commissioners and Liam the Network Commissioner had the honor of taking key roles for the 2022 Celebration of Achievement at Windsor. Harri led the parade, carrying the St. George's Flag and Liam planned the Service in St. George's Chapel – Fantastic!



Jubilee Party Time

In 2022 we are all celebrating HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee as she reaches the historic milestone of 70 years as Monarch.

In a few days time we will be celebrating in East Norfolk with the "Royal Fancy Dress & Platinum Picnic & Pudding Party" at Great Yarmouth Minster. Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers will have the chance to contribute to the East Norfolk Scouts Letter to HM The Queen and be part of a special photographic record of the event. More resources to use in group are available too:

[Click here](#) for the full range of Scout Resources that are available to use to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

[Click here](#) to order your special Jubilee Badges @ £1 each and are a joint badge with GirlGuiding UK.

More Programme Ideas from around the District

Here are just a few of the fantastic ideas that I have seen on my travels around the District, why not have a think about adding some of these to your programme at your next planning meeting...

Harri's Edible Chocolate Map

Help young people understand how maps show the contours of hills and mountains, give each small group:

- A Map
- A number of slices of toast
- A sharp knife and butter knife
- Chocolate spread

The higher the mountain, the more slices of toast needed to make a 3-D model of the contours of the map.

If you have good ideas to share, send info to Shelly for future newsletter editions.

Carrie's Chocolate Truffles

400g of Condensed Milk
75g Butter
20 Digestive Biscuits (crushed)
5 tbsp Drinking Chocolate
Dessicated Coconut (optional)

- Melt the butter in a pan until melted, remove from the heat
- Stir in the condensed milk and then stir in the chocolate powder
- Slowly add the crushed biscuits and mix until the consistency can be made into 24 small balls
- Roll in coconut and leave to set

Denise's Braille Activity

This is a stand-alone activity for Scouts and Explorers. Or use as part of the Disability Awareness Badge for Beavers and Cubs.

Provide dot grid paper and sticky dots to everyone and practice "writing" names or sending Braille messages for others to decipher for the two older sections.

[Click Here to download the Braille Alphabet](#)

Distict Events for Beavers, Cubs & Scouts

Lots of District Events are planned.

Beavers: Amanda has started in her new role and is looking at events for Beavers including: Activity Days (including one at EVAC), an Art Exhibition, a Sports Day, a Beach Clean and a Day with Emergency Services. A Sleepover in 2023.

Cubs: Michelle has almost 100 Cubs booked for the Camp in June. Other events include: A Dodgeball Competition, an Activity Day in September and The Wiltshire Competition in October.

Scouts: Sue and Carrie hosted a Have a Go Day which was attended by 58 Scouts. Other events will include: District Camp in June, a Virtual Bowleree, a Problem Solving Day and possibly an Air Rifle Competition.

Banners & Flags

Thanks to a kind donation, the District now has a set of four pop-up banners and a pair of sail-flags to use at District events and promotional opportunities to engage with potential new members and the general public – how exciting!

If you are having an event and you would like to use the new promotional banners or flags, contact Glenn using the Perception email address.



Join the District Team

We are looking for a couple more people to join the team in the following key roles.

Click the roles to read the job descriptions:

- [District Explorer Scout Commissioner](#)
To work with the Explorer Units in the District to encourage Top Award achievement and add to an exciting programme for 14–18-year-old Explorers.
- [District Explorer Scout Administrator](#)
To coordinate the information of the Explorer Section and keep accurate records for the District.
- [Scout Network Programme Coordinator \(18-25's\)](#)
A NEW role for one or two Networkers to pull together and support a social programme of activities for 18-25-year-old members.

These roles can be held alongside a current appointment in a Scout Group or Explorer Unit. If you want to have a chat, about any of the opportunities to join the District Team, contact Shelly.

Email Accounts

East Norfolk Scouts email addresses for any leader or Executive Committee member who want to have an email address specifically for their Scouting communications – this is highly recommended. By having an East Norfolk email address, you will be able to access a SharePoint containing District information and other resources.

Contact Glenn: perception@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

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Speed Training - Next Session

The District Training Advisors are here to help all adults achieve the Wood Badge, whatever leadership role you hold or just to complete new modules to learn and recognise new skills.

The next sessions are:

- Wednesday 22 June 19:00-21:00
- Wednesday 16 November 19:00-21:00

Booking is essential – an invitation and booking form will be circulated a few weeks prior to the date.

For all your training needs, talk to Jennifer Chetwynd, our Local Training Manager, who will be happy to help you continue with your Scouting journey.

Email: j.chetwynd@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

NEW Programme Resources Uploaded

There are some new downloadable resources on the website, and more are now being added every month.

Have a look to see how you can use them in your programme plans:

- Game Ideas – Wide Games for Scouts
- Game Ideas – Newspaper Games
- Games Ideas – Five-Minute Fillers
- Plus... A bonus pack of 25 activity sheets for things to do at meetings or send home with young people over the summer to help keep everyone Scouting.

Coming soon - Craft Ideas and Outdoor Skills Activity Sheets plus a Youth Led Scouting Pack of Resources.

World Scout Jamboree – Pub Olympics

Book a team of four to take part in our fundraiser to help Luke and Fraser get to the 25th World Scout Jamboree in South Korea.

Friday 15 July – 19:30 to 21:30 to include Table Games, Quizes, Casino Fun at The Chapter House, St Andrew's Church, Gorleston.
£7 per person includes Hot Drinks and a Chip Butty (over 18's).

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Want to Join Coordinator

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Final Words...

Not from Shelly but from a Scout Ambassidor

***Don't let anybody tell you
that you can't do anything***

Tim Peake – British Astronaut

