

East Norfolk Natter

A Quarterly Newsletter shared with everyone registered on Compass.

Top Awards 2022-23

The 2023 Top Awards Celebration took place at St. George's Theatre on 10 September and followed the theme of "The Oscars".

The achievement of Top Awards uplifted on the previous year by 18%, which is a great reflection of the high level of programme delivery across East Norfolk District.

Bronze Award was achieved by 28 Beaver Scouts (28% of the age group)

Silver Award was achieved by 52 Cub Scouts (30% of the age group)

Gold Award was achieved by 16 Scouts (12% of the age group)

1 Platinum and 1 Diamond Award were achieved by Explorers.

The event also celebrated the achievements of twelve adults who were recognised by the Chief Scout for their outstanding service to Scouting.

One of our Youth Leads, Jake was presented with his Scout of the World Award, the first to be achieved in the County of Norfolk – Fantastic!



Meeting Dates for the rest of 2023 and 2024:

All Adults (Leaders and Trustees) Meetings:

Wed 27 March 2024
 Wed 17 July 2024
 Wed 12 December 2024
 *includes refreshments.

District Leadership Team:

Tues 6 February 2024
 Tues 14 May 2024
 Tues 15 October 2024

Events Team:

Wed 11 October 2023
 Mon 15 January 2024
 Wed 13 March 2024
 Mon 8 July 2024
 Wed 9 October 2024

Board of Trustees:

Tues 9 January 2024
 Tues 28 May 2024
 Tues 17 Sept'ber 2024

East Norfolk District A.G.M.

Fri 21 June 2024

Group & Unit Leadership Teams:

Wed 1 November 2023
 Mon 26 February 2024
 Tues 4 June 2024
 Wed 6 November 2024

Learning Opportunities and Validations:

Thur 16 November 2023
 Tues 5 March 2024
 Tues 12 November 2024

Young Leader Scheme:

Wed 22 November 2023
 Wed 24 January 2024
 Wed 20 March 2024
 Wed 24 July 2024
 Wed 25 Sept'ber 2024
 Wed 20 November 2024

District Lead Volunteer Bits & Bobs...

I don't know about you, but I blinked and missed the summer break as Scouting was as busy as ever as members of our district supported the County Explorer Camp, Norfolk24.

As we move further through our Transformation of Scouting journey, the District Leadership Team are wearing the new Neckers that reflect every Scout Group in the District. We are here to help if you need any further support with transformation in your Group or Unit, and the new pages on the East Norfolk website has lots of information to help too – see page 4.

Lots of great activities have been provided for all sections during the summer months, and a few photos are featured on page 3. I have managed to get to each of the events and really enjoyed chatting to leaders and seeing the young people having great fun whilst learning skills for life, and sharing time with young people from the wider Scouting family in East Norfolk.

A big thank-you to Twiggy, from 1st Martham who secured £1,000 to purchase a great set of fishing equipment and and re-launched the District Fishing Competition.



I joined the Scouts learning new Skills for Life, enjoying a day out on the riverbank at Potter Heigham, and catching a whopping 400 fish!

What ever will we do next?

Happy Scouting from your D.L.V.
 (District Lead Volunteer)

shelly x

Events for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, Explorers, and Scout Network...

Here is the latest information from the Beaver, Cub, Scout, Explorer and Network sections. More information and exact dates will follow for each event.

Beavers (6 – 8)

15 October 2023 - Children in Need Ramble.
January 2024 – 10-Pin Bowling
March 2024 – Beaver Sleepover
June 2024 – Sports Day
October 2024 – Children in Need Ramble

For information about Beaver events, email
Amanda at: beavers@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

Cubs (8 – 10½)

14 October 2023 – The Wiltshire Trophy
February 2024 – 10-Pin Bowling
March 2024 – Dodgeball Competition
28 to 30 June 2024 – District Cub Camp
October 2024 – The Wiltshire Trophy

For information about Cub events, email
Michelle at: cubs@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

Scouts (10½ – 14)

18 November 2023 - Problem Solving Day
January 2024 – 10-Pin Bowling
March 2024 – Cooking Competition
May 2024 – Have a Go Day
14 to 16 June 2024 – District Scout Camp
September 2024 – Fishing Competition
November 2024 – Problem Solving Day

For information about Scout events, email
Carrie and Sue at:
scouts@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

Explorers (14 – 18)

A survey is out with the Explorer Units to gauge what type of events are wanted for 2024.

For information about Explorer events email, Sarah
at: explorers@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

Network (18 – 24)

This section is open for everyone aged 18 – 24 including those working as Leaders or Trustees. It is hoped that Network will have a number of events in 2024 in late March, during August, in early September and in late December – dates to be confirmed and they will be aligned to University holiday times.

For information about Network email, Liam at: l.segust@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

District Events for Everyone...

Festive Celebration of Christmas Trees 2023

Monday 4 December 2023 at The Minster Church, Great Yarmouth.
A full information and booking pack will be circulated to Groups and Units soon.

Founder's Day Get Together

Friday 23 or Saturday 24 February 2024. An event for adults.

The St. George's Day Event

Sunday 28 April 2024. Our annual gathering and for the first time a "Join In Pack" of activities too.

Youth Forum

Saturday 6 July 2024. The Youth Leads will provide an interactive afternoon for representatives from all sections.

Adult Skills Weekend Take 2

Saturday 7 to Sunday 8 September 2024. Following the great success of this year's event, we are going to Herringfleet Campsite again to share skills and camp together.

Top Awards Celebration Event

Sunday 20 October 2024. A chance to recognise the achievements of the young people and adults of our district between September 2023 and August 2024.

Festive Celebration 2024

Monday 2 December 2024. Here we go again, let's celebrate the festive season together once more..



Let's Celebrate the District Events of Summer'23.

Scout & Cub Camps



Top Awards Event



Explorer Norfolk24

Adult Skills Weekend



Beaver Activity Day

Scout Fishing Day



The Back Page Notice Board

New Info on our website.

Following some ideas at the last District All Adults and Trustee Meetings, we have been adding more information to the East Norfolk District Website to help you.

Transformation Made Simple

The information that Liam has shared to aid better understanding of the new Teams-based Scouting models and role changes. [Click here](#) to go to the Transformation page.

New Trustee and Leader Role Descriptions

Role descriptions for all Teams are available to support Team-based Scouting. [Click here](#) to read the new role descriptions.

District Equipment available to all

Check out the kit that is available to use. [Click here](#) to see what kit you can borrow.

Please get in touch with Glenn if you have ideas for information that would be useful on the district website or if you would like to join the District Media Support Team.

Jake's KSA Presentation.

There is still a chance to book your seat to hear Jake's presentation as he completes his King's Scout Award.

All Leaders, Explorers, and friends are welcome at St. Andrew's Chapter House, Gorleston, NR31 6LR on Friday 13th October 2023. 19:00 for a 19:15 start. Refreshments will be available.

RSVP by Monday 9th October to j.annison@eastnorfolkscouts.org.uk

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Final Words

Our Volunteering Culture is...

A shared understanding for what we do and say as volunteers in Scouts, supporting each other, following our values and being at our best, while acting as role models for young people.

The Scout Association 2023.

[Click here](#) to find out more about Our Volunteering Culture.