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

County Updates – 24 May 2018 – Issue 69

**Welcome**

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

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**This week’s updates**

New news or features this week…

**Norfolk Show**

To all DESC’s and Explorer Leaders that we are looking for 6 Explorers to join the team on the Scout and Guide Stand at the Show. Ideally we would like them to be available from Tuesday (after school if necessary) and then camp over Tuesday and Wednesday so they can help on the Stand. We can provide a letter for Head Teachers seeking permission to work during this period. For more details please email hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk

**Safety Training**

North East District are hosting an ongoing safety training session on Monday 11 June, 7.30pm at Aylsham New Forge NR11 6UD. Anyone wishing to attend who is over 18 can apply by email before Thursday 7 June to County Training Administrator – j.mcilwhan@norfolkscouts.org.uk, confirming name, district, group, role and emergency contact for the night. Light refreshments will be available.

**GDPR e-learning**

The Scouts have launched a [new GDPR e-learning module](https://members.scouts.org.uk/supportresources/search/?cat=55,888). If you handle any Scouting personal data then please take the time to complete this training. If you have completed GDPR training outside of Scouting then you will find that it can be completed quite swiftly. Email hq@norfolkscout.org.uk when you have completed it and we will add the training to your record. (Please note no certificate is issued)

**Scout Experience Survey 2018**

The Scout Experience Survey is now open for anyone is Scouting to complete. It helps us improve the impact we have on young people, get better at recruiting and supporting adult volunteers. It replaces a number of other surveys we used to ask you to complete. There is also a chance to win a prize! [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/05/24/scout-experience-survey-2018)

**Adult Training**

A successful modular training session covering Introduction to Residential experiences, running safe activities and practical skills was held at 1st Drayton Scout Headquarters last weekend. Leaders from all sections attended. [More information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/05/24/adult-training-2)

**County Office Closure**

Due to Annual Leave the County Office will be closed from 3pm Friday 1 June reopening 9am Tuesday 12 June.

**Retired Scouters’ Coffee Morning**

The Retired Scouters’ Coffee Morning takes place on the last Wednesday of every other month at the Alec Bussey Centre. The next meeting is Wednesday 30 May at 10:30am. It’s a great way to reminisce about Scouting and keep in touch with friends. Please pass details to anyone you know who may be interested (you don’t need to be retired to attend!!) email hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk for more information.

In case you missed these issue…

**Skills for Life: Our plan to deliver better futures**

You can help but have noticed our Scouting’s new corporate brand, which we will be adopting over the next two years, but with our new identity comes our refocused plan for Scouting’s contribution to young people and society. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/05/17/new-vision-and-brand)

**Support for Executive Committees and Trustees**

Here are some details of material, webinars and a day for supporting grant applications and with governance. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/05/17/support-for-executive-committees)

**Training Dates**

A reminder for Managers and Supporters - Achieving Growth Module Saturday 2 June 2018 and Meeting the Challenges module Sunday 3 June 2018. The courses previously advertised will be held at Eaton Vale, Crane Room.    The timings for each day will be 09.45 registration starting at 10.00 until approximately 16.00.  Please note this is non residential, lunch and refreshments will be provided.

**Essex Network/ 18+ Event**

We have been asked to circulate the following event opening up the invitation for Norfolk members to attend. The theme is Christmas in June and is open to all members of Scouting and Guiding who are 18+ <https://www.essexscouts.org.uk/event/mad-2018/>

**Regular features**

To help keep you informed…

**Outside Organisations**

We are frequently asked to pass on information to our membership, we make the material available

[External Opportunities](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/externalopportunities) page of our website this week Lingo Lions, Speak in Italy

**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 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 the support better programmes and volunteers to complete their roles.