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County Updates – 28 February 2019 – Issue 107

**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…

**Good Service Awards**

The Chief Scout has recognised ten local volunteers with either Silver Acorns, Bar to the Silver Acorn or Silver Wolf. Full details are available on the Norfolk Scouts website. [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/22/good-service-awards)

**County Vacancies – Final Reminder**

A final reminder that the closing date for applications for [District Commissioner, Central Norfolk](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/14/district-commissioner-central-norfolk-3) and [County Youth Commissioners](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/07/county-youth-commissioners) is Thursday 7 March.

**Norfolk & Suffolk Aviation Museum**

The Norfolk & Suffolk Aviation Museum are holding an Aviation Skills days. Primarily for Beavers and Cubs, 2 days are planned for this year - on Saturday 11 May and Saturday 28 September. [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/28/norfolk-suffolk-aviation-museum)

**Safeguarding Update**

Yet another worrying internet 'challenge' has hit the news this week. More details about the Momo Challenge are available on the Norfolk Scouts website. [More information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/28/safeguarding-update)

**Subscription Research**

We’re conducting some research to calculate the average subscription fee (“subs”) in Norfolk. This research is to help discussions with parents who often ask about the cost of Scouting. [Take part in our survey](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=YOOaxjdYw0S24FEAs4KmmQZRC0KMAG9DkYO9gL3RhWpUMFJKNzhYTlpBM0tRSEcxWkxaQk1PVzdGMy4u).

**First Response Course**

A First Aid course for East Norfolk District is planned at 1st Caister HQ on Saturday 2nd March 09:00 – 16:00. Venue: 1st Caister Scout HQ Cost : £20. There are a few last minutes places open to everyone, please contact David Wheeler [davidawheeler@sky.com](mailto:davidawheeler@sky.com) or 01603 713583.

**Purple Press**

We’re launching the Purple Press, a quarterly publication that raises the profile of Scouting. Aimed at both an internal and external audience, it will be primarily be shared online, but will also have a limited printed circulation, find out how every group can get involved. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/26/norfolk-media-team-goes-purple)

**BPA 2019**

A big thank you to the organisers and volunteers who delivered this year’s BPA, Explorer Scout and Network night activity Hike. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/27/bpa-goes-underground)

**Information Sharing Day**

Eastern Norwich hosted a very successful Information Sharing Day on Saturday 23 February. Thanks to everyone who supported the day. [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/27/eastern-norwich-scouts-information-sharing-day)

**Second chance**

**Explorer Scout Camp 2019**

The Explorer Scout Camp is taking part over the weekend of 20/21/22 September at Eaton Vale Activity Centre. The Camp Website has been launched with includes a chance for an Explorer to win a free place! [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/explorercamp)

**Multi-Module Training Weekend**

A Multi Module Training Weekend is being held on Friday 29 to Sunday 31 March at the Horstead Centre. [More information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/02/21/multi-module-weekend)

**Mental Wellbeing**

The Scouts have worked with mental health charity Mind, to create some guidance and advice on how you can support young people with their mental health, spot signs and symptoms of mental ill-health, and promote good mental health within Scouts. [More Information](https://members.scouts.org.uk/supportresources/4860?dm_i=31ME,UDR3,3D75FB,35737,1)

**Census**

A big thank you to everyone who has helped Norfolk complete or annual census on time. Further details will follow over the next few weeks.

**Regular items**

**Outside Organisations**

We are frequently asked to pass on information to our membership, we make the material available on the [External Opportunities](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/members/externalopportunities) page of our website. This week GoBrik.com

**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

[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).