



**Good Service  
and  
Top Awards 2019**

Celebration Event

Sunday 7 April 2019

Assembly Rooms, Swaffham

# Welcome

The President of Norfolk Scouts Sir Richard Jewson and the County Commissioner, Matthew Burrell welcome you to Swaffham Assembly Rooms for our Good Service and Top Awards presentation.

As a County, We've committed to deliver Skills for Life for more young people in Norfolk.

We know that a young person who has been through our movement is more likely to have better opportunities in the future, is better able to cope with life's problems, has more capacity to deal with stressful situations and is generally more resilient.

To achieve our goal we need to be attractive to more adult volunteers to join us and become amazing section leaders, supporters and managers.

The key to retention is through honest recruitment, care and friendship through induction, support through delivery and recognition when a job is done well.

That is why we are here today, to celebrate the dedication of some great young people who have demonstrated the talents that set them apart and to recognise the commitment and hard work by some outstanding volunteers over a prolonged period.

I offer my congratulations to all of them and am thankful for the part each of them plays in our Norfolk Scouting family.



**Matthew Burrell**

County Commissioner (Norfolk)



## Silver Wolf

The Silver Wolf is the unrestricted gift of the Chief Scout and is only awarded for service of a most exceptional nature. It is seldom awarded for less than 30 years of service although, because it is the Chief Scout's unrestricted gift, no length of service is prescribed.

## Ian Savage

District Scout Active Support Manager, North West Norfolk

Since receiving the Bar to the Silver Acorn in 2012 Ian has not only continued his service, but accelerated development of the Camp Site at Wolferton and supported the development of many Young People in the District running activities and training in camp skills. Ian supports scouting in Norfolk with the SAS "Bog Squad" team at NORJAM becoming legends in the their own lifetimes! He remains a font of knowledge for the history and changes over the past 16 years of the North West Norfolk District

*"At a recent social event I realised that my friendship, with many of those attending, started during our time as Cub and Rover Scouts. I felt proud to be part of a group still enjoying Scouting after more than six decades and continuing active support of young people who will ensure the future of the movement."*





## Bar to the Silver Acorn

The Bar to the Silver Acorn may be awarded for at least a further 5 years of similarly distinguished service after being awarded the Silver Acorn.

### David Cubitt

Deputy County Commissioner, Norfolk

David offers support and assistance to Groups and Districts often picking up additional projects. David has recruited new members to his Operations Team delivering several projects over Norfolk. David is a key member of the NORJAM Team being Deputy Director of Support Services in 2014 and 2018. David likes to keep his hand in day to day scouting including helping Spixworth and 46th Norwich.



*"My proudest moment in my Scouting career has been about realising that Scouting is truly for everyone, having met and worked with very diverse groups of young people and adults, and I am honoured to be a fellow Scout alongside them."*

## Paul Henriksen

District Commissioner, North East Norfolk

In 2015 Paul agreed to become District Commissioner placing high values to Top Awards ensuring that there is a twice yearly celebration event. Paul has also introduced a District Dinner as well as other social activities in the District calendar to ensure good morale within the area. A project Paul masterminded is a Climbing Wall, volunteers were upskilled to run a climbing wall which visits a number of high volume tourist events in North Norfolk (Cromer Carnival, Worstead Festival etc) this generates names for potential volunteers and young people not just from his District, but across the country. Since Paul's leadership the young people numbers in the District have grown by 5%



*"As Unit Leader for the East Anglia Contingent to the World Jamboree in Chile I had the privilege to work with some of the finest Explorers in the area and witness their achievements on the opposite side of the world. I experience this same pride every time there is a Queen's Scout Award presented to a District member and I see them go to Windsor."*

## Kim Smith

Deputy District Commissioner, North West Norfolk

Kim is a solid supporter to North West Norfolk and Norfolk as a whole. He is actively involved with charity work and fundraising centred on cycling with Cycle Norfolk and the Norfolk Bike Festival. Kim assists the District Commissioner as 'line manager' for 200 adult scouters and scouting activities for Young People. Kim has worked tirelessly to recruit and retain leaders and in the absence of leadership in the local area has on several occasions taken on extra responsibilities as Group Scout Leader.



*"Proudest moment in Scouting is seeing a young person overcome an activity they have found challenging and daunting, but that they have succeeded with the evidence being the smile and the happy memories it has given them."*



## Silver Acorn

The Silver Acorn is seldom awarded for less than 20 years service, which should be specially distinguished and appreciably better than outstanding.

## Lee Anderton

District Commissioner, Central Norfolk

Lee has held several roles in both the County and District. As District commissioner, Lee has created and supported a fresh team of volunteers at District level who have moved forward a number of projects including a relaunched Explorer Scout provision, creation of a Scout Active Support Unit and redevelopment of the derelict District campsite at Garvestone. Lee has overseen the creation of a brand new Scout Group in Shipdham.



*"My proudest moment in Scouting is when I became the District Commissioner for Central Norfolk after a number of other leaders had asked me to go for the position. This meant a lot to me especially as I was coming back to the District I started my Scouting in as a Venture Scout Leader for 1<sup>st</sup> Beetley Scout Group back in 1994."*

## Alan Curson

District Chairman, Eastern Norwich

During the absence of a District Commissioner Alan held monthly District Meetings to ensure the District stayed safe and relevant, virtually running the District. Alan was most helpful in assisting the new District Commissioner settle in and has gone over and above what is required to ensure that the District continues to develop and that governance is adhered to. He supports District events whenever he can.



*"Making lifelong friendships and seeing those young Scouts (now adults) and group supporters make lifelong friendships has to be the best achievement for me. They talk with great enthusiasm about their time spent in Scouting and the wonderful things they did that have helped shape their lives."*

## Steve Martin

District Commissioner, Southern Norfolk

After completing a stint as Assistant County Commissioner (Cub Scouts), Steve became the District Commissioner of Southern Norfolk. Having created a small, but focused District Team and a re-energised GSL community, Steve led the work to grow and develop the District, creating a plan to focus the direction of the District. Steve allows a great amount of flexibility to let each Group play to their strengths and take opportunities. Steve's work has seen Young People numbers grow by 15% since 2014, there is also growth in Adults and a trend for younger volunteers to take leadership roles.



*"The Norfolk County Cub Camp, two NORJAMs as a Director, one as a zone leader will stand out for the difference they made to young people in Norfolk and beyond, but no more than the difference the leaders I have supported and managed have made or myself and my Cub team in those early years as a Cub leader."*

## Ivan Newson

Explorer Scout Leader, Eastern Norwich

Ivan is a truly respected member of his Group and always willing to help any local sections. He has opened up an Explorer Unit partnered by the Group. From inception there has always been good membership. Under his leadership, the Explorers have grown to develop their Scouting skills at the same time as their community and Church. They are well known for helping charities and regularly support the church Cafod group where they serve community lunches.

*"I have too many memorable moments to pick one, but one of my proudest achievements is starting up Wildcat Explorers and maintaining around 21 members and seeing some of them become Young Leaders and Leaders."*



## Michele O'Keefe

Deputy District Commissioner, East Norfolk

Michele joined 1st Gorleston 22 years ago and has remained a leader in the group whilst undertaking various ventures and adventures in Scouting. Within East Norfolk District, Shelly works with the Young Leader Unit, supporting YL's across every group to access training support. Over a period of four NORJAM's, Shelly has headed up two sub-camps and latterly the activity provision, to ensure Scouts and Guides enjoy the magic of a Jamboree.

*"My proudest moment is to see two young people, that I have worked with as Scouts in my Troop, Young Leaders and now adults in Scouting achieve their Queens Scout Award. I am so pleased to achieve this award in 2019, so that I am able to attend Windsor and see these two Scouting friends on parade with the other bright stars of Scouting's future"*







## Queen's Scout Award

Those young adults who become Queen's Scouts have demonstrated their commitment, knowledge and skills as a positive member of their local, national and international communities by completing:

- Eighteen nights away
- 6 activities from the Queen's Scout International, Community and Values list.
- Hold the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award *or complete*
- **Skill:** Take up a skill and show progress and lasting interest.
- **Physical Activity:** Take up a physical activity part and achieve set objectives.
- **Service:** Provide service to an individual or the community for twelve months.
- **Expedition:** Train for and undertake a practice and final expedition over a minimum of 3 days and 2 nights in wild country.
- **Residential:** Undertake a 5 day and 4 night residential project.

Will Bretton

Harry Peachment

Ed Cubitt

Liam Segust

James Delph

Ashley Thorne

Harriet Goldspink

Charlotte Tucker-Lowe

James Hill

Chloe Walsingham

## Ed Cubitt

It has been a great achievement to get my QSA after several years of hard work. My personal highlight from the award has to be attending Roverway in the Netherlands which, despite the hot weather, was an amazing experience with people from all over the world. Through the award I also volunteered as a Young Leader, went geocaching, played the saxophone, attended the National Scout and Guide Concert Band and continued my voluntary work on the North Walsham and Dilham canal among other activities. It has truly been an unforgettable experience.



## Harriet Goldspink

To achieve my QSA, I attended monthly sessions, and gained Air-Rifle experience, and decided to take up swimming for six months for my Physical Activity. For my residential, I assisted another Group's Cub Pack on their Summer Camp. As an expedition team of four, we walked around Surrey Hills, and South Downs National Park, and completed the Award with an inspiring presentation for Young Leaders.



## Harry Peachment

To achieve my QSA I completed a 450 mile cycle from Le Havre to Calais, we honoured the names of 17 soldiers from our school who fell in WW1. We created a video to remember those who gave their lives in the Great War. I organised a YMCA sleep rough charity event where we created shelters from cardboard and helped with street collections. I helped organise our St George's Day activities. I have made presentations at my school about our expedition, to inspire both those in Scouts and those not in Scouts to join. I led the 8th Norwich Cub section through their World Faith's Activity Badge, visiting to the local Buddhist Centre and discussed the importance of Scout values with new Scouts and how we stand by them in everyday life.



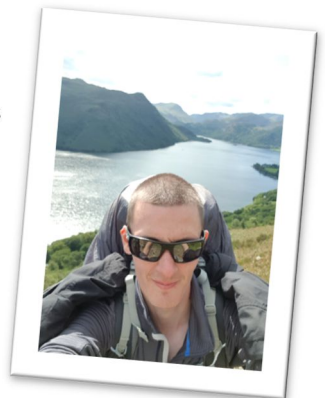
## Liam Segust

In achieving the QSA, I took up cycling, qualified as an Air-Arms Instructor, and completed environmental conservation in Epping Forest. I was part of a team of four Network Scouts from East Norfolk, all working towards the QSA, who joined together and completed expeditions across Surrey Hills and The South Downs National Park. Finally, we presented a display for the QSA, to encourage Scouts in our District to achieve the award themselves.



## Ashley Thorne

After never even thinking I could complete my QSA it turns out I had been ticking things off without knowing it. With my volunteering in scouting and the local lowland rescue team all I had left to do was my expeditions so the week after NORJAM I ended up going to the Lake District and meeting an amazing bunch of people. Then my final was in Yorkshire the hills and views were amazing.





## Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award

Those young adults who complete the Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award have participated in activities from five sections.

- **Volunteering:** undertaking service to individuals or the community.
- **Physical:** improving in an area of sport, dance or fitness activities.
- **Skills:** developing practical and social skills and personal interests.
- **Expeditions:** planning, training for and completion of an adventurous journey in the UK or abroad.

Arun Day

Zoe Pryce-Jones

James Delph

Charlotte Tucker-Lowe

Adam Hill

Chloe Walsingham



## Meritorious Conduct

Alex Woods

For acts of bravery in the face of danger where life has been at risk.

# Good Service Awards 2018

Other Norfolk adults recognised by the Chief Scout during 2018



## Award for Merit

Malcolm Burroughs, Treasurer, 2nd Hellesdon, Northern Norwich

Glenn Chusonis, Media Manager, Norfolk

Anne-Marie Cooke, Cub Scout Leader, 17th Norwich, Eastern Norwich

Teresa Cresswell, Beaver Scout Leader, 44th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Richard Dix, Executive Member, 1st Horsford & St Faiths, Northern Norwich

Richard Freeman, Executive Member, 1st Horsford & St Faiths, Northern Norwich

Karen Goldsworthy, Scout Active Support Member, Norfolk

Richard Horler, Scout Leader, 1st Wymondham, Southern Norfolk

Roger Larwood, Executive Member, 1st Taverham, Northern Norwich

Janet Moll, Beaver Scout Leader, 27th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Martin Pearman, Group Scout Leader, Blakeney & District, North East Norfolk

Timothy Percival, Assistant Scout Leader, 1st Wymondham, Southern Norfolk

John Pettifer, Assistant Scout Leader, 16th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Elaine Roberts, District Scout Network Commissioner, North East Norfolk

Pam Sizer, Executive Member, 1st Taverham, Northern Norwich

Suzanne Springett, Group Scout Leader, 44th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Lindsay Stansbury, Assistant Cub Scout Leader, 27th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Christopher Stevens, Executive Member, 44th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Karl Ward, Scout Leader, 11th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Paula Wickham, Assistant Scout Leader, 27th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Helen Withey, Assistant Scout Leader, 1st Wymondham, Southern Norfolk

Luke Wolsey, Assistant Scout Leader, 1st Drayton, Northern Norwich



## Chief Scout's Commendation for Good Service

Lee Adams, Chair, 1st Harling, South West Norfolk

Jennifer Arnull, Scout Leader, 2nd Hellesdon, Northern Norwich

Aron Bailey, Scout Leader, North Walsham, North East Norfolk

Rebecca Blanch, Assistant Scout Leader, 11th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Stephen Blatch, Assistant Scout Leader, 1st Rural, North East Norfolk

Laurence Burton, Scout Leader, 1st Horsford & St Faiths, Northern Norwich

Margaret Ditcham, Treasurer, 1st Freethorpe, East Norfolk

Daniel Draper, Assistant Beaver Leader, 1st Horsford & St Faiths, Northern Norwich

Karen Drury, Group Scout Leader, 1st Cromer, North East Norfolk

Alison Field, Cub Scout Leader, 1st Wymondham, Southern Norfolk

David George, Cub Scout Leader, 1st Stalham, North East Norfolk

Caroline Gibbs, Scout Leader, 1st Belton, East Norfolk

Ross Gilbert, Assistant Cubs Scout Leader, 1st Drayton, Northern Norwich

David Goodman, Skills Instructor, 1st Buxton Lamas, North East Norfolk

Ronald Grimby, Treasurer, Northern Norwich

Tom Hadley, Local Training Manager, Norfolk

Julia Hall, Executive Member, 1st Buxton Lamas, North East Norfolk

Carl Hardingham, Cub Scout Leader, 1st Cromer, North East Norfolk

Tristram Hardman, Assistant Cub Scout Leader, 44th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Lorraine Henriksen VK, District Secretary, North East Norfolk

James Higham, Group Scout Leader, 27th Norwich, Northern Norwich

Darren Jackson, Ass. Beaver Scout Leader, 1st Hainford & Frettenham, N. East Norfolk

Matthew King, Assistant Cub Scout Leader, 1st Gorleston, East Norfolk

Susan Landers, Assistant Beaver Scout Leader, 1st Holt, North East Norfolk

Martin Lever, Group Scout Leader, Downham Market, South West Norfolk

Ellen Page, District Scout Network Commissioner, Northern Norwich

Martin Page, District Explorer Scout Commissioner, Northern Norwich

Tanya Revell, Cub Scout Leader, 1st Rural, North East Norfolk

Brian Rowlands, Appointments Advisory Committee Member, Northern Norwich  
Lee Samuels, Chair, 1st Drayton, Northern Norwich  
Liam Segust, Assistant Cub Scout Leader, 2nd Gorleston, East Norfolk  
Mark Stacey, Group Scout Leader, 16th Norwich, Northern Norwich  
Ashley Thorne, Assistant District Commissioner Cub Scouts, South West Norfolk  
Jimi Watts, Assistant Scout Leader, West Runton, North East Norfolk  
Matthew Wickens, Scout Leader, 1st Martham, East Norfolk



## Commissioner's Commendation

Individuals and Groups from within Scouting or who support Scouting recognised by the County Commissioner or District Commissioner in 2018

7th King's Lynn Beaver Scouts

Maurice Bedder

Pat Bedder

Angie Chusonis

Glenn Chusonis

Caleb Dann

Mark Daniels

Gary Drewry

Chris Eastwood

Sarah Ecclestone Siraj

Eastbourne District Scout First Aid Team

Ellen Page

Norfolk Fire Cadets

Denise Goldspink

Ian Hayward

James Hill

Matt Kitchin

Michael Knights

Ella Kroll

Norfolk Fire & Rescue

NORJAM Transport Team

Sally O'Donnell

Gordon Oliver

Pat Pinnington

Shirley Reed

Hayley Robertson

Peter Smith

Will Trueman

**“Happiness is not mere pleasure, not the outcome of wealth. It is the result of active work rather than passive enjoyment of pleasure.”**

**Robert Baden-Powell, Our founder**

Thank you to all those who took time to nominate, complete citations and provide evidence to make these awards possible.

If you know someone who contributes to Scouting and their community and think that their commitment is worthy of recognition contact [hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk](mailto:hq@norfolkscouts.org.uk).