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County Updates – 11 April 2019 – Issue 113

**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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**This week’s updates**

New news or features this week…

***For all volunteers>***

**County Team Appointments**

We’re delighted to announce the following appointments to the County Team.

Simon Lonsdale – District Commissioner (Central Norfolk) [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/11/district-commissioner-central-norfolk-4)

Louis Franklin – County Youth Commissioner [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/11/welcome-to-the-team-louis-franklin)

We wish them every success in their new roles.

***For all volunteers>***

**Good Service and Top Awards**

Over 80 members, families and friends came together on Sunday 8 April to celebrate members of Norfolk Scouts who have been recognised by the Chief Scout with Good Service Awards. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/11/good-service-and-top-awards)

***For Group Scout Leaders, DESCs, DCs, Supporters and Administrators***

**Mini-Census**

At the end of April we will be conducting our first Mini-Census to help provide a more regular snapshot of the numbers of Young People involved in Norfolk Scouts. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/11/mini-census)

***For all volunteers>***

**Young Leader Information**  
We are looking for a new Assistant County Commissioner (Young Leaders) but in the meantime read about how the scheme has been revised recently and how you could join in the YL Birthday celebrations... [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/young-leaders)

***For all volunteers>***

**County Assessor Vacancies**

More information is [available here](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/11/county-assessor-vacancies) for vacancies for County Assessors in Kite Surfing, Mountain Biking and Rowing/Sculling.

***For all volunteers>***

**Assistant County Commissioner - Inclusion**

Following several years as ACC Inclusion Shirley Sinclair has stepped down.  We would like to thank Shirley for her support for Inclusion in Norfolk and the work she has done in promoting Scouting for all. We will shortly be starting process for identifying a new person to lead Inclusion and wish Shirley well in her future involvement with Scouting in Norfolk.

***For all volunteers>***

**Trading Post**

Please note that the Trading Post will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday.

**Second chance**

***For volunteers looking for a new challenge>***

**Assistant County Commissioner Young Leaders**

We’ve got a vacancy for an ACC Young Leaders to help coordinate the support and direction the Young Leader provisions across Norfolk. [More Information.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2018/07/29/assistant-county-commissioner-young-leaders)

***For all volunteers>***

**Autism Awareness**

This week is Autism Awareness Week, take some time to read Tim Kidd’s blog about how Scouting can change the lives of autistic young people and find out about new e-learnings and other support mechanisms for volunteers. [More Information](https://scouts.org.uk/news/2019/march/why-were-proud-to-support-all-young-people-this-autism-awareness-week/)

***For all volunteers, Explorer Scouts and Network>***

**Royal Norfolk Show**

The Royal Norfolk Show takes place over 26 and 27 June 2019. Are you enthusiastic about Scouting and Guiding? Can you communicate this to the public? Can you enthuse young people by helping to run activities? Can you explain why it is great to volunteer with us? [More details here.](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/04/royal-norfolk-show-2)

***For Managers, Supporters and Executive Members>***

**Subscription Survey Results**

The results of our recent subs survey are now available. The data collected can help Managers and Trustees understand how comparable their fees are to the County averages and other groups. [More Information](http://www.norfolkscouts.org.uk/2019/04/04/subscription-survey-results)

***For Groups who ordered a vacancy board>***

**Vacancy boards have arrived**

The vacancy boards what were recently advertised at a special price are now available we will be in touch with group to arrange payment and distribution. If your keen to get going and can collect your board from Norwich please get in touch.

**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.

**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](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).