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Greater Manchester East County Residential Training Weekend



Over the weekend of 22nd to 24th July 2022 eighteen leaders from across GME stayed at Linnet Clough to complete the training for the following Modules:

Module 7 – Scouting for All;

Module 8 – Skills of Leadership

Module 11 – Administration;

Module 9 – Working with Adults

Module 14 – Supporting Young People;

Module 15 – Promoting Positive Behaviour

The group were taught by a team of 8 tutors and trainers. They arrived and registered at 6.45pm on Friday and started their training at 7.30pm to 9.30pm. Then it was over to the dining room for supper of chilli and baked potatoes cooked by the County Commissioner, Steve Hollaway. Saturday started with breakfast before diving back into training from 9.15am. There followed 6 training sessions of 1 ½ hours each. Taking us all to 9.40pm, when it was time for supper and sleep.

Sunday completed the training with 3 more sessions.



By the end of the weekend everyone, Leaders, Tutors and trainers were tired but felt great to have completed the first residential training weekend for 3 years, due to Covid-19 shutdown. We felt we had achieved not only the Modules but had started to open Scouting again across the County.

Many thanks to all who attended, helped in any way, either on the day or the planning of the course.



North Tameside Scout District Annual General Meeting



The Worshipful the Civic Mayor of Tameside, Councillor Michael Glover agreed, at the North Tameside Scouts Annual General Meeting, to be their President for his term of office with the help of his Mayoress Ms Anne Gordon. Alan Fish Chairman of NT Scouts welcomed them to the AGM and all the other Leaders and guests. Alan Fish invested The Mayor with the NT District's red and black neckerchief and welcomed him into Scouting. Just in case you spot the wrong hand shake, in Scouting all Scouts use their left hand. Lord Baden Powell learnt many years ago that the tribal Ashanti Chief's in West Africa shook with their left hands in their land, only bravest of the brave would shake with their left hand because it meant they would have to put their shield down but still have their spear (Assagai) in their right hand which meant that they trusted and respected each other.

The new District Executive was voted in and the accounts were accepted as a true account of funds. Alan Fish reported that Scouting has started picking up again, after Covid. The District Commissioner, Andy Morton, presented Mark Lomas with his 10 years long service award. He also presented James Bowden with his 40 years long service award. Andy also thanked the leaders for the increase in numbers with the programmes and activities they are giving to the members in all sections. The 8 Scout Groups gave their reports to the AGM of how well they are doing.

Finally, Alan asked The Mayor to say a few words. He said it was a tremendous honour to be invited to be President of North Tameside Scout District. He added that the Scouts have done such a great job for our young people in Tameside. He is impressed that so many of you are prepared to volunteer and thanks for inviting Anne and him to your AGM.

Alan thanked everyone for coming closed the meeting and invited the Mayor and Leaders to a meal at the Purple Olive restaurant to chat and to get to know each other and Scouting.

If you would like to help Scouting contact alan.fish@ntscouts.org.uk 07931765120 or www.ntscouts.org.uk for all the information.

Tameside South District Expedition to the Kent Jamboree



Members from Tameside South District are at the Kent International Jamboree. The theme is **Our Celestial World!**

They are camping on the MARS Subcamp, one of 6 Subcamps, Mars, Venus, Neptune, Jupiter, Juno and Mercury.

The Jamboree started in spectacular fashion with a stunt plane giving us an overhead display to welcome everyone on site! [#KIJ22](#)

[#SummerOfFun22](#)

3rd Ashton Scout Group Annual General Meeting

The 3rd Ashton Scout Group held their AGM on the 5th July. The meeting was well attended by members and parents and supporters. The meeting was opened by Tina Howarth, the Group Scout Leader. She welcomed everyone including the District Commissioner, Andrew Morton and the District Chair, Alan Fish.

The meeting elected the Group Chair, Emma, Group Treasurer, Derek, and Group Secretary, Jane.

Each Section gave a report on the activities they had taken part in during the last 12 months.

The Beavers completed the 1st and 2nd Hike and Explorer Badges.

The Cubs completed the following badges; team leader 1, backwoods cooking, communication, hobbies, international, local knowledge, gymnastics, emergency first aid and navigator.

The Scouts section completed level 2 water sports, level 1 paddle sports and nights away.

The Explorer Scout section have completed their chef, explorer and fund raiser. They are also taking part in the Young Leader Award and are working towards their Chief Scout Platinum Award by completing their digital badge, gymnastics, nights away and water badges.

Andrew Morton, DC, thanked all the leaders for their continued support to the Group and District. He presented Tina with her 5 years' service award. He also invested Susan Beddows as the Beaver Leader.

Work on the Grounds at 2nd Stalybridge Scout Headquarters.



Following the successful application for grant funding, the 2nd Stalybridge Scout Group have been given three grants for improvements to the headquarters and grounds at Stamford Drive, Stalybridge. The three funders are ASDA, Arriva and Arnold Clark.

The improvements to the grounds include removing trees, levelling the camping area, building a raised area for cooking and eating. The levelling up will mean importing over 60 tonnes of earth and hardcore.



Inside the headquarters a new kitchen is being fitted, along with all new electrical wiring and fittings. The main hall is being fitted with dado rail level sockets for power and computer(possibly) outlets. New LED lighting has been fitted throughout the building.



Around the main building have been fitted weatherproof electrical outlets. A long-awaited water tap has been fitted to the outside for use when doing outdoor cooking and cleaning.

Lots of other work is being carried out by members of the group

More pictures from 2nd Stalybridge Scout Group
Headquarters' Improvements.



POSSIBLE SOURCE OF FUNDING

I know this month's Tamesider has gone out but I did want to give you these details that I was passed on a few weeks ago and given how easy this application form for funding. It is from Arnold Clark the car company and have already had a response to bids from 7th Stalybridge, 5th Stalybridge and Swineshaw but if other groups within Tameside are after a quick and easy way to bid for up to £1000 then I do not want to see anyone not get the opportunity.

<https://www.arnoldclark.com/community-fund>

The Arnold Clark Community Fund

Are you a UK registered charity or local community group We're here to help. The Arnold Clark Community Fund is open to all UK-registered charities and local community groups who fall into our eligibility criteria. The fund is also open to community interest companies, charitable incorporated organisations and social enterprises.

www.arnoldclark.com

Cheers

David McManus 5th Stalybridge Scout Group

Thanks, David, for the heads up on this source of funding.

I have been told the 12th Ashton scout group have applied for and received £1,000.00 for camping equipment. They are in the process of doing an audit of their camping equipment and will be buying new to replace worn out and damaged cookers, pegs, poles, pans and much more.

2nd Stalybridge Group have also got £1,000 towards refurbishing their Headquarters.

If anyone else can suggest other funders available for Scouts, please let me know.

Ken Marks.

North Tameside District Climbing Wall



Our 7m NT Climbing Wall is back in action after its long holiday, it is ready for your Beavers, Cubs, Scouts, and Explorers to use on their section nights. It is set up at Ashton Fire Station and can be used any evening for your Scouts to climb, it has 4 automatic safety lines so they can't fall off. All you need is preferably 4 Permit 1 holders they just need to be able to put a harness on your Scouts and tell them the safety instructions we can train you on the night, but for a bit of homework first have a look at <https://youtu.be/v5WpeMStpf0>. If your Group is going to use it a few times ideally one Leader could get a Permit 2. Which is to erect the wall only, as all the leg base mountings are already set up, it only involves kicking the legs, connecting your car battery, then pressing the wall up

button. Also you need to be able to climb the wall in case a Scout freezes at the top and won't let go, just nip up with your mallet, and bash their hands, oh sorry forgot risk assessments won't allow that anymore, I meant talk them down. We can do the Permit 2 training of erecting the wall and a rescue on the night.

If you wish to hire the wall contact alan.fish@ntscouts.org.uk 07931765120 for further information.

North Tameside Fire Camp



After a three year wait due to the moor's fires, covid, legal stuff and 3 Station managers changing, the 1st phase of the North Tameside Fire Camp at Ashton Fire Station has started on Sunday 24/7/22 with a battle with nature. Phase 1 is to get a vehicle gate and a loo but the blackberry

brambles, trees, apple trees and bushes have taken over the site in the 3 years. It took us 4 hours to clear where the gates are being installed, whereas 3 years ago there was nothing in the way, and you could walk down the site to the bottom in 5mins, it took us 1.5 hours with axe and shears.

The plan is our trailers are being stored there and the climbing wall will be based there. The idea is camping, climbing and sports and over the w/e, the Fire Station will do the Scout fire badge, fire safety plus a go with a fire engine.

But before that we have a vast number of brambles, weeds, and a few trees to remove, we are looking for Scouts, Explorers and leaders with skills as there will be chances to actually chop a tree down. If you would like to join the Service Crew contact alan.fish@ntscouts.org.uk 07931765120 or www.ntscouts.org.uk for more information. You will get free black berries and apples, the first bite is sour and eye watering, but they are nice.

WANTED



Crushed Aluminium Cans

For the Jamboree Fund

Contact Tom Lowther

tom.lowther@tamevalleyscouts.org.uk

or Tina Howarth tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk

to donate crushed Aluminium Cans



2nd Dukinfield Scout Group Appeal

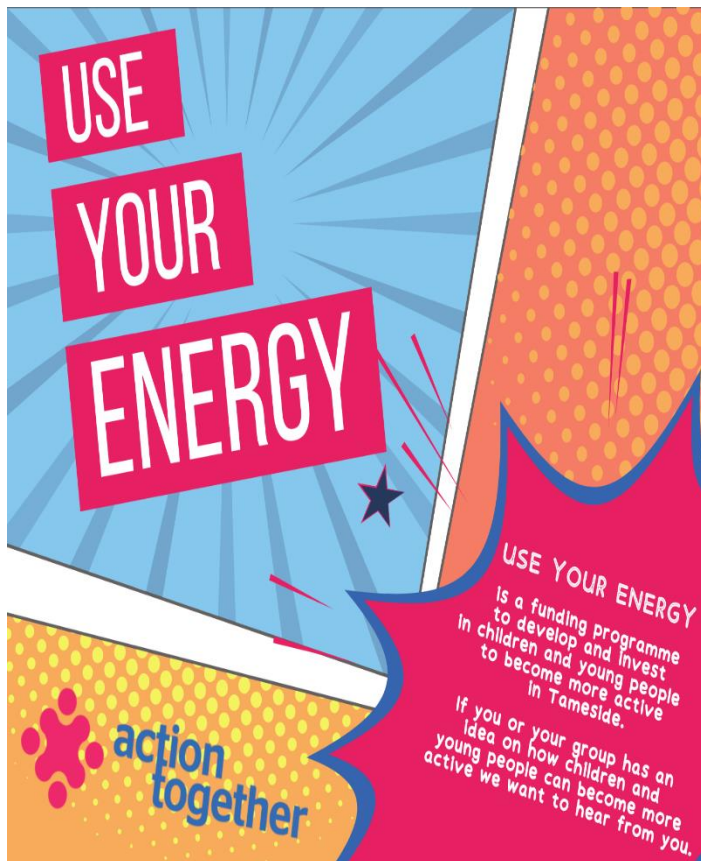


2nd Dukinfield have been given an outdoor area to use that needs some major TLC.

If anyone has any spare soil, gravel or plants/seeds of any sort that they are willing to donate, please could they contact Badger 07540383021 to arrange collection?

Many thanks!

2nd Dukinfield



“Use Your Energy is an Action Together programme funded by Sport England which aims to work with Tameside groups to engage and enable children and young people aged 5-18 years to become more active, more often. We have money to invest in your active ideas! Your group can apply for up to £500 to make your active idea a reality. There are lots of ways we can become more active such as volunteering, walking, cycling, swimming,

dancing, water sports, nature trails, conservation, gaming, home work-outs, boxing, skateboarding, scootering!”

To find out more go to: <https://www.actiontogether.org.uk/use-your-energy-funding-tameside>”

Thanks

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Adult Training



Greater Manchester East Training team have been busy updating not just the way they deliver training, now offering all courses through Nearpod and Zoom, but also by updating the training website. We now have a more interactive and streamlined training area that can be found at www.gmescouts.org.uk/training1

By following the links relevant to your role, you will be able to access an overview of all the specific training required, links to access the e-learning and also the training delivered by GME. Mandatory Ongoing Learning can also be accessed in this way. An online 'Check Your Knowledge' system has also been embedded for leaders to complete and these will be sent to your TA.

We hope that you find this new training area user friendly and more accessible. Should you have any questions regarding the training delivered within GME please feel free to get hold of Shell or Cliff.

Shell.rowlinson@gmescouts.org.uk

ctm@gmescouts.org.uk

First Aid training dates from Karen our county first aid training admin.

To book onto the course highlight the course, then Ctrl + Click, then complete the application form.

GETTING STARTED - Training

This is available on-line via the County Website for all roles in Scouting. They take between 45 and 90 minutes to complete each module.

Adults should complete their Getting Started training and have it validated within 5 months of them being put on Compass in their role. It can be completed before they go to the appointment's panel.

All Courses are now on the county Calendar & bookable through EventBrite.

Greater Manchester East Scouts | Team up <https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/training>

(Copy and paste into search engine to book onto course)

Here is the list:

21st - 23rd Oct - Residential Course (Modules 12A, 12B, 13, 16, 17, 18 & 19) Linnet Clough

(Delivering a Quality Programme, Programme Planning, Growing the Section, Introduction to Residential Experiences, Running Safe Activities, Practical Skills & International)

News from HQ

Nominating for national honours and our new feedback form.

Our volunteers go above and beyond, and sometimes deserve a little extra recognition. National honours are awarded for exceptional achievements, commitment, or service to Britain. Any member can nominate a fellow volunteer for a national honour and you can [learn more about the national honours \(including how to nominate for one\) online](#). Looking for inspiration? [Read about these Scouts community heroes](#) who were included in the New Year's honours list.

Also, we've now created a [feedback form](#) to make it even easier for you to share your thoughts on specific awards and the support we offer. You can find the form on the bottom righthand corner of scouts.org.uk/awards or in the 'quick links' section of any of the awards pages.

25th World Scout Jamboree - [UK Contingent](#)



25th World Scout Jamboree - UK Contingent We're super excited to share those applications are now open for UK Deputy Contingent Leaders for the 25th World Scout Jamboree! We're recruiting up to three Deputy Contingent Leaders, to assist the UK Contingent Leader to plan and lead the next UK Contingent to the World Scout Jamboree, which takes place in the Republic of Korea in 2023. Find out more about these exciting roles and how to apply at <http://www.scouts.org.uk/.../join-our-national.../deputyc>



'Think big. Dream wild. Act together.'
JOIN IN JAMBOREE - GME County Camp
26th - 29th May 2023

Good Afternoon,

Hope this email finds you all well.

Attached is a matrix to show those people, whom I'm delighted to say have come forward, to be involved with the event either with a Subcamp team or Youth Commissioner or equivalent from our Districts. Unfortunately, some Districts still have no-one as yet to represent their District within the subcamp team, this amongst all our other challenges has to be a priority, prior to our inaugural meeting in July.

Our meeting will take place on Sunday 3rd July at 1st Heaton Moor HQ, St Pauls Rd, SK4 4RY. from 2.30pm to start at 3pm.

Please ensure your District is represented, why not come along anyway, so you can contribute first hand together with your Youth Commissioner.

We really look forward to seeing you all.

Thanks in advance for your support.

Claire Jarvis

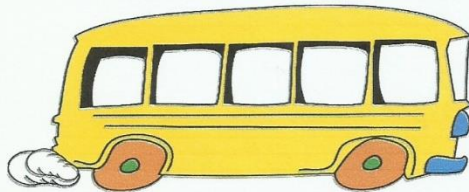
Event Lead

Deputy County Commissioner - Operations District Commissioner - Cheadle & District

Neil Kidd

Event Lead - Site Coordinator

**WANTED: VOLUNTEER
MINIBUS DRIVERS
ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST,
HURST, ASHTON**



We need volunteer minibus drivers to help get our folk to our Wednesday Welcome and Sunday morning services. Both start at 10am and return home at 12noon. The pick up /drop offs take around an hour each around the Hurst/Waterloo areas and could be on a rota basis.

Volunteers will need to have a D or D1 on their licence to enable them to drive a minibus. If you think you can help us, please ring us on the number below for a chat or email us.

Glynis or Mike : 07738423976 :
glynismather@gmail.com

St John the Evangelist, Kings Road, Ashton-under-Lyne