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## Greater Manchester East Presentation Evening

On the evening of Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022 38 Scouts and Explorers from across Greater Manchester East Scout County attended Hyde Town Hall to be presented with their Chief Scout's Gold Award Certificate, Chief Scout's Platinum Award and their Young Leader Award.

Seamus Gallagher and Aidan Bohan from 1<sup>st</sup> Dinting, Glossop District, Joshua Hulme, Lucas Rider, Rowan Linder from 2<sup>nd</sup> Dukinfield, Lewis Williams, Isaac Flint, Josh Mills, Elise Parkinson, Elodie Hopkins from 5<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge and Tymoteusz Dudek from Tame Valley Explorers. George Gandy, Eva-Mae Johnson and Luca Stafford from 3<sup>rd</sup> Newton (Hyde).



The Presentation Evening was attended by Mrs Diane Hawkins, High Sheriff of Greater Manchester, The Mayor and Mayoress of Stockport, Councillor Adrian Nottingham and Mrs Diane Nottingham and the Civic Mayor of Tameside, Councillor Janet Cooper and her Consort Mr Dennis Fitzpatrick.

The High Sheriff said she was pleased to attend the presentation and well done to all the young people for all the hard work during the pandemic done to achieve these awards. The mayor of Stockport said he was applauding the work the young people had put into these awards. By doing these awards they were investing in their future prospects.

# St George's Day Services

## North Tameside Scout District.



North Tameside Scout District held their main St George's Day Service at St James's Church, Ashton under Lyne on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> April. The service was hosted by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group.

The Service was attended by the Civic Mayor of Tameside, Councillor Janet Cooper and her consort Mr Dennis Fitzpatrick, Councillor Joyce Bowerman, Frank Wild.

During the service long service awards were presented to various members including 5 years Tracey Roddy, Tina Howarth, Sinead Maguire. 15 years Joanne Moores. 20 years Darryl Hamline 30 years Charles Hill, Darren Futcher, Andrew Morton. 50 years Derek Casey and Alan Fish

After the service everyone stayed for tea and cakes and a jolly good chat and catch-up after the 2 years of Covid-19.

*"It was a joy to be at St James's Church this morning for the Scouts annual St George's Day service and parade. It was a lovely service with a presentation of awards and a renewal of promises. Alan Fish received a certificate for 50 years in Scouting! Congratulations Alan and well done." Councillor Joyce Bowerman*

So good to see so many get together for St George's day at St James church, with a massive thanks to Tina for organising and running the service. If you were unable to attend, I hope you had a chance to get your groups together at some point across the weekend.

Andrew Morton (DC) and Michael Frankish (ADC Cubs)

## 413<sup>th</sup> Manchester(Droylsden)



The 413<sup>th</sup> Manchester Scout Group held an activity weekend at their headquarters to celebrate St George's Day and to renew their Section's promise. The weekend included a sleepover in their grounds in the Moravian Settlement in Droylsden.



## 12<sup>th</sup> Ashton

The 12<sup>th</sup> Ashton held their St George's day service on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April in the grounds of their Headquarters at the Richmond Street Community Centre, Ashton. The service was led by Hospital Chaplain Jean Hurlston and included the parade of group Flags and renewal of Section Promises. The service was followed by drinks and cakes inside their headquarters. The service was attended by Andrew Morton, District Commissioner, Alan and Wyn Fish, District Chair and Secretary, Michael Frankish, ADC Cubs and Ken Marks, along with lots of family and friends.

Phil Rogers, GSL, thanked everyone for attending and making it such a success

## Tame Valley Scout District



Tame Valley Scout District held their St George's Day Service at St Mary's Church, Dukinfield. The parade assembled on Concorde Way and proceeded along Pickford Lane and Zetland Street to the church. The parade was led by the St John's Band from Mossley. After the service the District reassembled and went to the Church Hall at Old Chapel, which is the headquarters of 2<sup>nd</sup> Dukinfield where tea and biscuits were served.



The service was hosted by Father Oliver and conducted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Stalybridge Scout Group. Groups that attended the Parade and Service were 2<sup>nd</sup> Stalybridge, 5<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> Dukinfield, 7<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dukinfield and the District Explorer Unit.

During the service Becci Worthington was invested as the Leader of 2<sup>nd</sup> Stalybridge Squirrels Drey by the County Commissioner, Steve Holloway.

## St. James' Explorer Unit - MacMillan Nurse



On Easter Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2022 St. James' Explorer Unit held a fund-raising event in St James' Church in aid of the work being done by MacMillan Nurses. A Coffee and cakes event was held from 11.00am to 1.00pm the food and drinks were free and all that was asked for was donations in aid of MacMillan.

The Explorers themselves had done the organising and indeed, made the cakes themselves and "By Jove" what a good fundraising result was achieved £200.00 was raised in just three hours what an achievement!

This is scouting at its very best, our young people supporting a very worthwhile cause, helping in their way to make it possible for MacMillan Nurses to go about their work giving succour to relatives of very ill family members and indeed the family members who are seriously ill.

I would like to congratulate the members of The St. James' Explorer Unit who made it all possible, Jade Dixon (Explorer Scout Leader), Explorers Julia, Georgia and Callum who made it all possible. A very well done you did yourselves proud.

Tina (GSL)

## Guest visit from 1<sup>st</sup> Millbrook BP Scouts

We are from 1st Millbrook. On the 26th March some of the Beavers and Cubs joined in with the Stalybridge Town Team on their monthly litter pick.



Thanks,

Nick Whitbread

1<sup>st</sup> Millbrook BP Scouts

## News from Swineshaw Camp Site.

Quick visit up to Swineshaw on 9th April 2022 with Craig Jones-Deputy County Commissioner to see 7th Stalybridge Cubs on camp. Lots of fun being had, despite the hail, thunder and snow they were treated to last night! Well done to all the cubs who stayed out in sub-zero temperatures!





Amazing location!!! A big thanks for all the hard work put in by the Swineshaw team to keep this campsite running.



The 2nd Dukinfield Scouts were also treated to the cold temperatures last week, but successfully completed their expedition at Swineshaw Campsite. Well done all!

Shell Rowlinson, DC Tame Valley District

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton - Queen Elizabeth's 70 year Platinum Badge Presentation



Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April was bright, breezy and sunny when the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group paraded to St. James' Church to take part in the church service and be presented with their Platinum Badge commemorating the 70-year reign of our Queen Elizabeth by Bishop Mark of Middleton. The service had been put together by Tina and it turned out to be very successful, during the Bishop's sermon he involved the Beavers, Cubs and Scouts of the group with a question-and-answer session, in which they actively took part.

After Church Communion had taken place, Bishop Mark turned his attention to the Platinum Badge presentation for the scouts and leaders of the group. Bishop Mark gave a short talk about Queen Elizabeth's 70-year reign and the service she had given, not just to our country and its people but also to the Commonwealth of Nations which makes up the fabric of our country's history.

Prior to the presentation of the badges, Bishop Mark blessed the badges and then with the help of the Reverend Pat Lodge both of them presented the Platinum Badges to all the scouts and leaders of the group.

He then asked the congregation to stand and give a rousing rendition of the first verse of the National Anthem and the service ended with three rousing cheers for our Queen. An extremely good service which everyone enjoyed and it kickstarted the Groups 70 year celebrations for Queen Elizabeth.

Tina (GSL)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton-under-Lyne (St. James') Scout Group

### Race Night

After a two-year absence (Covid) the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton decided to dip its toes in the water and organise a Race Night at Ashton Cricket Club. The event took place on Easter Saturday and it was an enjoyable evening, many of the old race night gang came along and parents from the Group supported the event. Old friendships blossomed once again and new acquaintances made which bodes well for the future.

It was a good race programme organised by Tina, and our boffin Mark Howarth who was the MC and ran the show, whilst Tina operated the technical equipment. Everyone enjoyed the event which was made even better by an extremely good potato pie and a cheese and onion pie, which we thoroughly enjoyed.

With the proceeds from the event the group made a donation to Mark Howarth to help defray his expenses for his participation in the South Korean Jamboree being held in Seoul in 2023, plus placing a decent profit into the Group's account, it was a very worthwhile event.

Derek (Chair 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton)

### News from HQ.

**It's time to spring clean data on Compass.** As we prepare to launch new digital tools, it's important that the data on Compass is correct. We need to make sure the contact details of members (phone numbers, email and postal addresses) are populated, current and accurate. Any inactive roles must be closed, too. Over the coming months, all adult volunteers will need a personal unique email address listed (an email not shared with anyone else like scoutgroup@scouts.org.uk or thesmiths@gmail.com) to access the new digital tools. Please start talking about this locally, and updating Compass where possible. It'd also be helpful for Group Scout Leaders to note on Compass which night each section meets.

## News from 1<sup>st</sup> Mossley Scout Group



An important weekend (4th April 2022) for [1st Mossley Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers](#) this weekend as they unveiled the plaque for George in his memorial garden. And also, congratulations to the 3 explorers who received commissioner commendations for showing integrity, confidence and compassion, presenting to an audience of 150 people, describing the impact of losing their close friend and securing financial support to create his legacy in their scout group.

I am sure you will all join me in sending Tanya and the group our thoughts as they continue to deal with their loss whilst creating a true legacy for George.

Shell Rowlinson DC Tame Valley

## 1<sup>st</sup> Mossley Scout Group - St George's Day

The 1<sup>st</sup> Mossley held their St George's Day Service and Promise renewal at Pot and Pans above Dovestone's Reservoir and combined it with a memorial for George Butterworth-Sice, who is an ex-member of the Group.

# WANTED



Crushed Aluminium Cans

For the Jamboree Fund

Contact Tom Lowther

[tom.lowther@tamevalleyscouts.org.uk](mailto:tom.lowther@tamevalleyscouts.org.uk)

or Tina Howarth [tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk](mailto:tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk)

to donate crushed Aluminium Cans



## Jamboree Update



**Tameside Reporter**



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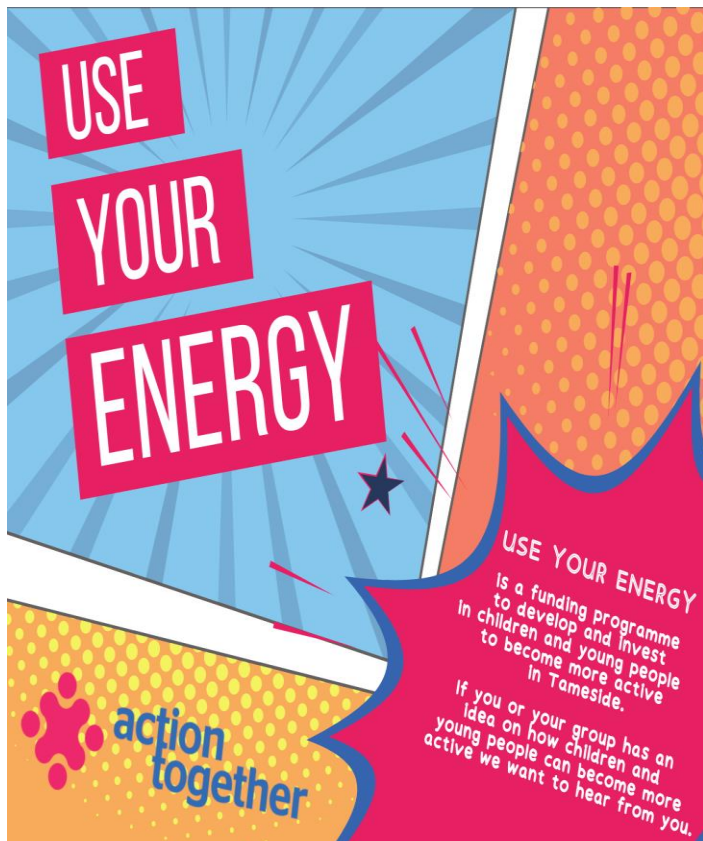
Ten Tameside Scouts will be jetting off on the trip of a lifetime next summer 🇰🇷



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**Scouts prepare for trip of a lifetime to South Korea Jamboree**

Members include Oliva Farrell, Jessica Williams, Lucas Shaw, Joanne Shaw, Gennette Lowther, Becky Caine, Nick Curtis and Shell Rowlinson.



“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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## The Wood Badge Scout Active Support Unit



# 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](http://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](mailto:Shell.rowlinson@gmescouts.org.uk)

[ctm@gmescouts.org.uk](mailto:ctm@gmescouts.org.uk)

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Hazel Grove – 7<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Full Day

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/module-10a-10b-first-response-22fr05-tickets-247474080637>



24<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Blended Evening

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/module-10a-10b-first-response-22fr06-tickets-259050375647>

25<sup>th</sup> June 2022 Blended AM

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/module-10a-10b-first-response-22fr07-tickets-259055109807>

Blended PM

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/module-10a-10b-first-response-22fr08-tickets-259056223137>

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:

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> May Module 18 – Practical Skills - 1-4pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Heald Green

Weds 11<sup>th</sup> May Module 11 – Administration - Online 6:30pm Start

Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> May Module 15 – Promoting Positive Behaviour - Online 6:30pm Start

Tues 14<sup>th</sup> June Module 13 – Growing the Section - online

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Jun Module 25TA – Assessing Learners - Online 6:30pm Start

22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> July - Residential Course (Modules 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 14 & 15) Linnet Clough

(Fundamentals of Scouting, Scouting for All, Skills of Leadership, Working With Adults, Administration, Supporting Young People & Promoting Positive Behaviour)

21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> 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)

## More 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](https://scouts.org.uk/awards) or in the 'quick links' section of any of the awards pages.

## 25<sup>th</sup> 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>



## SPARE LIGHTING

The Richmond Street Community Centre are renewing their lighting system and are removing the existing strip light and replacing them with LED lights.

There will be several light fittings spare. They are all working and are as follows:  
10 - 5-foot fluorescent tubes and fitting, 15 - 600mm x 600mm fitting and 6 - 300mm dia. bulkhead fitting.

If interested contact Ken Marks on [ken.marks@ntscouts.org.uk](mailto:ken.marks@ntscouts.org.uk)





## 'Think big. Dream wild. Act together.'

Good Evening,

As the majority of you are aware ; the World Scout Jamboree is taking place next year in Korea. We're very proud as a County to have one and half Units of Young People from GME selected to attend.

We're therefore delighted to announce that we'll be holding a **County Camp - JOIN IN JAMBOREE**, over the May Bank holiday weekend; **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> to Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2023** at Linnet Clough Scout Camp.

We invite you all to share in our vision that this will be the most diverse & inclusive event yet, with a youth shaped programme. Over the coming months they'll be lots of opportunities to get involved with the planning, preparations & ultimately at the event itself!

Initially we're looking for four Sub-camp leaders, once in place we'll be announcing many other roles and opportunities to get involved.

### **So 'Are YOU Up For The Challenge?!' Could YOU be one of our Sub-Camp Leaders?**

We shall have four sub-camps each representing the natural elements of the four Trigrams found on the Korean flag; Sky, Fire, Water & Earth.

**We'd love to hear from you if you'd like to be one of our Sub-Camp leaders, please join us and be an invaluable part of the event team.**

Please see the list below we've put together from former sub-camp leaders, it's an outline description of the role. If you have any questions then please do get in touch.

We really look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks in advance for your support.

*Claire & Neil*

**Claire Jarvis, Event Lead Deputy County Commissioner - Operations**

**Neil Kidd, Event Lead - Site Coordinator District Commissioner - Cheadle & District**

### Join in Jamboree County Camp 2023 Sub-Camp Leader Role

Overall responsibility for your Sub – Camp, supported by your team of assistant subcamp leaders.

To organise planning/update meetings of your subcamp members / leaders.

To attend relevant meetings of main event team prior to camp.

Manage budget to support Sub – Camp infrastructure.

To arrange/organise Sub – Camp Gateway & Flag.

Together with the Programme Lead formulate a rota for main activities during daytime programme. (Re: Site activities - a separate person will be coordinating these).

Involved in individual Groups' camp site location and layout of subcamp, including marking out Group camping areas.

On Camp: a) Attend daily morning briefings and disseminate programme plans for the day to Group Leaders. b) Together with the Programme Lead, ensure any Group Leaders responsible for running camp activities are in place at the relevant time. C) Inform Event leads immediately of any issues of concern to Support the Event leads in the safe running of the whole camp including security of the site.

**Most of all Enjoy and have Fun**