Scouting news from Tameside and Glossop and Greater Manchester East

# **TAMESIDER**

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### **Letter from Councillor Joyce Bowerman**

Thank you for the March edition of The Tamesider, it was packed full of information as always.

I really enjoyed reading about the events our scouting family have been taking in part in, well done to the winners and runners-up in the North Tameside District 5 a side football competition, everyone did so well. The article about the Scotland Winter Skills at Lochearnhead in February was amazing and we thought it was cold here!

The pictures of the sleepover at Bradley Fold in Stalybridge looked good fun and also the cubs from 5th Stalybridge had an enjoyable time at the Crime Prevention Day too. Well done to Tina who organised the Race Night at the Ashton Cricket Club, I believe it was a very successful fund-raiser!

Glad to see the North District Climbing Wall is back in action, it's always very popular with our young (and not so young!) people.

I am looking forward to attending next month's St George's Day Parade through Ashton Town Centre and the service afterwards at the Albion Church. It is always such a joy to see our Scouting family looking so smart in their uniforms and all marching together on this very special day.

Fred and I would like to wish all our Scouting family a very Happy Easter and I look forward to seeing everyone again on St George's Day.

Best wishes

Joyce and Fred Bowerman

## **Congratulations to Craig Jones**



Congratulations to Craig Jones, who has been awarded the Silver Wolf by the Chief Scout.



Craig joined Adult Scouting as a Scout Leader in 1989 and progressed through the training and activities and became the Group Scout Leader of the 1<sup>st</sup> Heaton Moor Scout Group in 2012. Then onto Deputy County Commissioner in 2018.

Craig has earned Wood Beads for Explorer Scout Leader, Group Scout Leader, Deputy County Commissioner as well as being Unit Leader or Assistant Leader for the Greater Manchester East Scout County Team for the World Scout Jamborees in 2015, 2019 and 2023.

Over Craig's 30+ years in Scouting he has been awarded the Medal of Merit plus bar, then he was awarded the Silver Acorn in 2017.

As with most Leaders in Scouting, Craig has held many jobs that are not recognised or given service years, but I would like to thank Craig for all the work he has done for Scouting, locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.

Ken Marks

### **Glossop District Scout Leaders Celebrate**

Scout leaders from all over Glossopdale met to celebrate the achievements of 22 leaders for their service to Scouting. Their work ranges from helping run evenings with the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers as well as treasurers, group helpers and members of Linnet Clough Service Crew.

Andrew Wilson, District Commissioner said, "It was a great evening celebrating the achievement of every adult that has received an award and a chance to say thank you to them for their commitment and hard work".

### Awards:

**Commissioners Commendation** in recognition of exceptional continued efforts in their current role, or over the years: Adie Hopkinson, Adrea Morgan, Libby Hinley.

**Chief Scout Commendation** in recognition of the very real contribution made to the Scouts: Matthew Senior, Joe Hales, Stacey Martin, Andy Bolam, Brad Hartney, Amy Harbut.

**Medal of Merit Award** recognising outstanding service of keen, conscientious, imaginative and dedicated service over a sustained period: Tim Wing, Martin Clayton, Trent Cass, Laura Cass, Claire Barber, Russ Hyde, Louise Barton, Rachel Turner, Mike Parker, Angela Dyson.

**Silver Acorn Award** recognition of specially distinguished and outstanding service to Scouting: Gary Banton, Zoe Brierley, Stephen Rhodes.



Back, left to right: Joe Hales, Adie Hopkinson, Andrew Wilson, Russ Hyde, Matt Senior, Trent Cass, Andy Bolam, Stacey Martin. Front, left to right: Stephen Rhodes, Sylvia Parker, Louise Banton, Zoe Brierley, Angela Dyson, Martin Clayton, Laura Cass, Rachel turner, Adrea Morgan.

Scout Groups across Glossopdale are always looking for new leaders and helpers so if you fancy coming along to help working with the young people direct or behind the scenes, then please contact Andy Wilson by dropping him an email at <a href="mailto:andy.wilson@glossopdistrictscouts.org.uk">andy.wilson@glossopdistrictscouts.org.uk</a> or by giving him a ring on 07703654313 and he will be only too pleased to team you up with a group.

### News from 7<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge Squirrel Drey

The 7<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge Squirrel Drey held their first ever sleepover at their Bradley Fold headquarters.

Leader, Deena Ledger, said the experience of holding their sleepover was inspiring and so rewarding they are planning to hold another later in the year.





Activities included Lego, crafting, singing songs and telling stories. They did cooking and painting. Nick the Group Scout Leader thanked everyone who helped, especially the parents who helped for the first time and have volunteered for the next sleepover.

## Tame Valley St George's Day Parade

St.George's Day Parade details

Date: Sunday 23rd April 2023

Time: 1:30pm meet

Location: Waterloo Road Carpark, Stalybridge

FULL uniform please.

Parade will be led by 1st Millbrook around Stalybridge before the service at Holy Trinity Church. Aiming to finish for 3pm, (I'll keep the speeches brief!!)

Refreshments available afterwards for all attendees.

Look forward to seeing you all there! Plenty of awards to be celebrated too!



## North Tameside St George's Day Parade

Date Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

Time: meet at 2.00pm

Location: Outside Lloyds Bank, Old Street, Ashton

FULL uniform please

The parade will leave at 2.30pm and parade to the Albion Church, Ashton for a service being led by the 413th Manchester Scout Group.

Refreshments will be served at the rear of the altar after the service.

Please send me any pictures of your Parades for the next issue of the Tamesider.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge AGM

Congratulations to 5th Stalybridge for another successful year celebrated at their AGM. Lots of exciting plans ahead for this strongly supported group. Well done to all involved, leaders, exec members, young leaders and young people! honoured to award 2 chief scout bronzes, out of the 4 that were achieved in the past few weeks. And I'll be back next year if there's a promise of more pizza!! Shell Rowlinson District Commissioner Tame Valley











## News from 5<sup>th</sup> Dukinfield Scout Troop

The 5<sup>th</sup> Dukinfield scout troop held an evening of making models of injuries. All the scouts tried their hands and arms at bandaging and putting the limbs in slings.

The scouts were very pleased with the results and some of them looked grizzly and realistic.

### **Greater Manchester East County Presentation Evening**

I'm pleased to email you this evening with the link for Award recipients, their guests and leaders to book onto the next County Presentation evening, which is on:

### Wednesday 19th April 2023, at Hyde Town hall.

Could I emphasise that when booking tickets for recipients & their guests , <u>only the recipient's name must be entered</u>, (for recipient and guests), at the last evening we again had several parents who had entered their names on the booking, some of these went unnoticed until the evening, despite several emails, therefore they were entered wrongly on certificates and in the programme.

Also please could I ask that recipients & guests only register once, again at each presentation we have some who duplicate.

This email has been sent to all the County, as many leaders have other roles within Groups and Districts; so that no-one misses out.

Any queries please get in touch.

**Kind Regards** 

Claire

**Claire Jarvis** 

**District Commissioner - Ladybrook Valley** 

**Deputy County Commissioner - Operations** 

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### 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 <u>alan.fish@ntscouts.org.uk</u> 07931765120 for further information.

# WANTED



Crushed Aluminium Cans
For the Jamboree Fund
Contact Tom Lowther
tom.lowther@tamevalleyscouts.org.uk

or Tina Howarth <u>tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk</u>
to donate crushed Aluminium Cans





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 <a href="https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/training1">www.gmescouts.org.uk/training1</a>

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 elearning 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.

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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 <u>before</u> 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)

## **Adult Training Coming Up**

Module 18 - Practical Skills (23MOD18-1) - May 13th (2nd Heald Green)

**Book Here** 

Access all Adult Training at the GME Training website <a href="https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/training">https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/training</a>

## NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

**GREATER MANCHESTER EAST SCOUT COUNTY** 

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023**

THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023

VENUE AND TIMES TO BE ADVISED - WHEN KNOWN.





### TAME VALLEY MODEL RAILWAY CLUB



### MODEL CLUB OPEN WEEKEND

Entrance by A

AT 2<sup>ND</sup> STALYBRIDGE SCOUT HUT REAR of 61 STAMFORD DRIVE STALYBRIDGE SK15 1QT

> Saturday and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023 10am --4pm each day





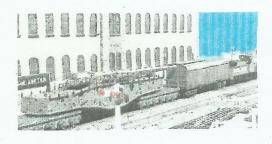
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For further Information
Tom Lowther 07719259638



**Linnet Clough** Fri 26th - Mon 29th May 2023 For everyone in the County!

### **GET INVOLVED!**

### FIRE

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### WATER

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# See You There!



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