Scouting news from Tameside and Glossop and Greater Manchester East

## **TAMESIDER**



#### November 2023



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## Remembrance Day 2023

Upon behalf of the District, I have taken it upon myself to return a British Legion Poppy Cross inscribed with North Tameside Scout District and a message to be displayed in a British Legion Field of Remembrance plus a gesture to help the British Legion in their endeavours in supporting Ex. Servicemen and Women who have suffered all types of injuries in doing their duty to keep our country safe.

"Freedom isn't free, and the liberty we enjoy came at a cost...
Remembrance is about recognising how and why we live in the open and free society that we do"

The above passage comes from a Royal Marine who was badly injured in Afghanistan.

Went the Day Well, Well or Ill We Never Knew, But For Freedom WE DIED FOR YOU

So come on Tamesiders wear your Poppies with Pride to Remember those who gave their All for us.

#### **Derek Casey.**

#### Royal British Legion - Acknowledgement

I have received a letter from the Royal British Legion which I wish to share with the District it is as follows: -

I would like to personally thank North Tameside Scout District for joining the nation in remembering the brave men and women of our Armed Forces who sacrificed everything to protect us, Royal British Legion supporters like North Tameside Scout District have been honouring the fallen in our Fields of Remembrance for over 90 years.

North Tameside's Tribute has been safely received. and will be planted alongside thousands of others in the Field of Remembrance at Belfast City Hall.

Holly Seabrook Head of Supporter Development, The Royal British Legion



### 3<sup>rd</sup> ASHTON (St. JAMES') SCOUT GROUP REMEMBRANCE SERVICE 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023

On Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> November the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group will hold their Annual Remembrance Service in St. James' Church A-U-L, I am extending an invitation to the Scouts and Leaders of North Tameside Scout District who wish to come along and join us and take part in the service will be most welcome.

The schedule for the Remembrance Service is has follows:-

9.00am to 10am Bacon Sandwiches will be on sale to warm the cockles of your heart; the service will start at 10.30am.

Between the 10<sup>th</sup> of November until the 12<sup>th</sup> November there is a Scarecrow Fest being held and will be in place until the afternoon of 12th, so why not come along and after the service take time to walk around the church and view the various Scare Crow exhibits.

In fact, there is still time for your Group or a section to take part and enter a Scare Crow in the Scare Crow Fest.

Please contact me for more details on my mobile number 07411773336.

Tina (GSL) 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Troop

#### Manchester Monopoly Run

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023 the Manchester Monopoly Run competition took place, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Troop entered a team to defend their success in 2022 in winning the competition, they were not only representing the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group but North Tameside Scout District as well. Besides the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton entry into the competition there were other scout teams from various North Tameside Scout Groups entered in the competition, in total six. The overall total of teams for the competition was one hundred and eighty-five, split into one hundred scout teams and eighty-five Explorer Scout teams.

Confidence was running high in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout team since there were three members of 2022's victorious team taking part and with their knowledge and experience gained, hoped to put it to good use in racking up those crucial points needed to win this year's competition.

Setting off in pursuit of winning the competition the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scouts taking part covered on foot a total of sixteen kilometres in and around the centre of Manchester of the Monopoly Competition and you can imagine there were some very tired and sore legs by the end of their endeavours. The leaders were very proud of the way the scouts who took part and acknowledged their " stickability" no matter what the final outcome of the competition was.

The result of the competition was not announced until Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October since the hall where the Manchester Monopoly Competition was run from could not hold all the entrants who had participated in the event.

It was announced that, once again the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout's team had won the event for the second year running and had done the DOUBLE.

Look out for us next year we intend to go for the " hat trick"

I would like to add my congratulations to our Scout Leader Stephen Beddows and the scouts who made up the team, " you did the 3rd proud".

Tina (GSL)

## Next County Awards Presentation - Wednesday 22nd November 2023

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 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023, at Ashton Central Mosque.

We're using a different booking system this time around, please click on the link below, which will take you to our Booking form.

https://form.jotform.com/232674808976069



Scouts, Explorers & Network Award Ceremony November 2023

Please click the link to complete this form.

form.jotform.com

Please take care when booking tickets for recipients & their guests, especially when entering names, at the last evening we again had several parents who had entered their names on the booking form as recipients, 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** 

**Lead Volunteer - Ladybrook Valley Scout District** 

#### North Tameside District Cub Camp



On the weekend of 6th to 8th October, North Tameside District Cubs blasted off to 'space camp' at Ashworth Valley Scout Camp. It was our first district camp that we have been able to hold since Covid so it was great to get everyone back together again under canvas.

We had an amazing turn out with over 50 kids representing the packs in our area.

The kids took part in 'astronaut training' to complete our Astronomer activity badge and took part in many different space based activities including grass sledges (G-force training), cave bus (small space/cockpit training), low ropes (agility training), straw rockets and star projectors (engineering training), making solar systems models (navigation training), and launching bottle rockets (simulating lift off). We also had a great time around the campfire with the singing being led by our scout helpers Pippa (250th), Erin & Emily (413th).

The weather was good (even if the grass was soggy). The newly qualified 'Astronaut Cubs' gained some new knowledge, met some new friends and all had a great time.

A massive thanks to all the leaders involved in planning and running the weekend.

Mike,

NT ADC Cubs/413th Section Leader

#### Feedback from Danielle Ives, Cub Leader at 250th Manchester Cup Pack

What a fabulous Space Camp we have had at Ashworth Valley this weekend, even after all the rain during the week, the weather has been fabulous. Massive thank you to <u>Michael Frankish</u> for the planning and running and the leaders for all their hard work. I hope the lads enjoyed it as much as me. I'd just like to thank them for being so amazing, joining in all activities and just generally being superstars. I'm sorry if they smell slightly and are extremely tired, but that's the joys of camps.

#### 3rd Ashton-under - Lyne (St. James') Scout Group

On Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023 the annual Harvest Festival was held in St. James' Church plus a Macmillan Coffee morning and a Church Parade for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group,



During the service, gifts of food were brought forward by the young people in the church for it to be distributed to the needy in our society. I would like to thank everyone who brought their gifts to the Harvest Service.

After the service a MacMillan Coffee morning took place which was organised and run by the St. James' Explorer Unit, who made cakes and supplied tea and coffee to the church congregation and raised a magnificent £100.00 plus for the very worthwhile MacMillan Nurses.

This was scouting at its' very best, thinking of others before themselves.

I would like to thank all the members of the St. James' Explorer Unit for their input into organising the fund-raising event and showing that scouting is still playing its part in a caring society.

Tina (GSL 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton.)

#### Reporting safeguarding concerns.

There's a new version of the safeguarding reporting form now available on the Scouts website. If you have an old form on your desktop, please download the new one from the website and use this from now on. We hope you'll find it easier to capture all the key information the Safeguarding Team will need about your concern.

As always, please report to your CC/DC and GSL should you put in a safeguarding referral, as they will be first point of contact for HQ.

Please can you also take this opportunity to review the "Yellow card" and the expectation to ensure this is followed by yourself and others at all times.

For our young leaders, can you ensure that they have a copy of the "orange card" and understand it.

Should you require copies of these, please get in touch as I have loads, though they can also be ordered for free from the scout shop.

Any questions regarding the yellow card, safeguarding etc, please feel free to get in touch.

Yours in Scouting

Shell Mayoh (She/her)

- -County Safeguarding and safety Advisor
- -County Training Advisor-Manager and Supporters

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#### Request from the USA

Hi Everyone

I have had a request from an Ex GME Leader, Mark Baxter, who now lives in America and works with the Boy Scouts of America. He is running the Internation Programme Zone for his area's Centenary camp over the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> September.

Mark is looking for any Scout or Explorer section in the UK who would be available for a time slot on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> between 1pm-10pm to zoom in and chat with attendees about the UK and UK Scouting.

This is a great opportunity for the older sections to complete elements of their programme and form international links. If you or your section can help out, please can you email Mark asap at this email <a href="mark@baxter-family.net">mark@baxter-family.net</a>, please copy me in too.

We both look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours in Scouting Katherine

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**URGENT ACTION REQUIRED:** All members of Greater Manchester East should have received a copy of this from Mike Leigh of the Digital Services Team for GME. I have contacted Mike and he has said that you can put the alternative email address be added to the Personal profile on the Compass system under the title 'Home'.

That way an alternative to the 'Scout enquiries' will be known to the District Administrator. Ken Marks

Thu 07/09/2023 02:51

Hello,

Due to changes implemented by Microsoft around their licencing we are going to have to carry out some serious housekeeping.

Before we go any further, I want to reassure you that once the housekeeping is complete everything will be the same as it is now Your account will remain the same firstname.lastname@yourdistrict.org.uk

What we are having to do is split the system up into district buckets so instead of having everyone in County in a single big bucket we will have 9 smaller buckets.

As a leader what you will have to do is re-enter your credentials on the different devices you use to access your mail so phone, tablet, laptop etc Once you do that your mail etc will be there as before.

What do you need to do:

Please ensure your district admin has the means to contact you via something other than your scout email address so an alternate email address or a mobile number so they can send you a link to log on

Mike Leigh
Digital Services Team
Greater Manchester East Scouts

## WANTED



Crushed Aluminium Cans

For the Jamboree Fund

Contact Tom Lowther

tom.lowther@tamevalleyscouts.org.uk

or Tina Howarth <a href="mailto:tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk">tina.howarth@ntscouts.org.uk</a>
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.

Shell.rowlinson@gmescouts.org.uk

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

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





It is with great sadness that I share the news that Stephen "Chil" Dransfield has "gone home". As a valued member of scouting for most of his 70 years, he will be remembered fondly for his passion and dedication to scouting, particularly the Cubs section.

The funeral took place on Tuesday

Oct 3rd at 2.30pm at Dukinfield Crematorium. The family welcomed a scouting presence at the funeral.





A Model Railway & Transport Show

# New Venue

Longdendale High School
Hollingworth Hyde Cheshire SK14 8LW
On

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> April10am until 5 pm Sun 7th April 10am. until 4.30 pm

Model Railways in all scales, Thomas the Tank Engine,
All forms of Transport Displays in all scales,
Vintage & Veteran Vehicles, Motor Cycles, Live Steam Engines
Refreshments Available, Trade Stands.
Ample <u>Free</u> Car Parking. Full Disabled Access

#### LOTS TO SEE & DO FOR ALL THE FAMILY

Adults £5.Concessions £4 Accompanied Children Under 14 Fre Family {2 Adults & 2 Children} £9.50

For further information: Tom Lowther 12, Mostyn Street Dukinfield Cheshire SK16 5JS 0161 338 5097. Mobile 07719259638 Email <a href="mailto:superscout@sky.com">superscout@sky.com</a>

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