Scouting news from Tameside and Glossop and Greater Manchester East

# TAMESIDER March 2024



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# St George's Day Parades and Services 2024



# **North Tameside District**

North Tameside District are holding their St. George's Day Parade and Service on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024.

Please meet outside the Llyods Bank, Old Street, Ashton at 2.15pm.

Leaders please ensure all members attending are in full uniform and the brasses nice and shiny.

339th Manchester will running this special service to celebrate the District's our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

# **Tame Valley District**

Tame Valley District are holding their St. George's day Parade and Service on Sunday 21st April 2024. No details yet

# **Glossop District**

No details yet

# **Tameside South District**

No details yet.

### NT Cubs 5-a-side football competition:

On Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> of February, North Tameside cubs held their annual 5-a-side football comp at Droylsden Academy sports hall. The football competition is always an eagerly anticipated event in the North Tameside calendar.

Five packs were able to enter teams this year. The tournament was very competitive and produced a lot of great football. After over an hour and half hours of competition, the final took place between 339<sup>th</sup> and 413<sup>th</sup> Manchester. Following another fantastic display (they had also won all their previous games in the tournament), the final score line was 4-2 to 339<sup>th</sup> Manchester. All the cubs played really well with the level of effort

and sportsmanship across the day being very high.



Winners: 339th Manchester Runners up: 413th Manchester

Third: 2/1st Hurst

Fourth: 250th Manchester

Fifth: 12th Ashton

A massive thanks to all those who helped running the event, in particular Dave Ashton for organising the fixtures; Andy & Logan who were referee and timekeeper respectively.

Mike

North Tameside ADC Cubs

# 1974 - all change North Tameside District

Not many of you will remember what happened in 1974, Jack Millin was District Commissioner, and Alan Fish was a 24-year-old Venture Scout Leader at 2/1 Hurst.

The new Tameside Council was formed, and the boundaries changed. So, Ashton and Droylsden Scout districts joined together forming North Tameside Scout District and that was 50 years ago.

North Tameside Scout District are having a 50-year celebration camp this year along with Tameside Council celebrations.

Andy Morton and the District 50-year camp team have been working hard getting lots of activities in place for everyone, from Squirrels to Leaders and Supporters to be able to take part in this great 50-year celebration camp.

The camp is taking place over the week of 3<sup>rd</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024. The camp is being held at Bibby's Farm Scout Camp Site, Back Lane, Heath Charnock, Chorley.

Each person attending will include a special 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary t-shirt, necker and badge, and loads of activities

The Section Leaders have all the information on the Camp and Andy's team are getting the numbers of people that wish to attend over the week, weekend, day or evening.

Make sure you don't miss out and book your places.

If you need any information contact Andy or your ADC's.

#### **News from 12<sup>th</sup> Ashton Scouts and Cubs**

On Friday 23rd February 12th Ashton Cubs visited Pets at Home at Ashton Moss, where they were handling the adopted animals. The staff from Pets at Home talked about the care of pets.

Alex here is taking care of a guinea pig.

They had a great time handling rabbits, guinea pigs and gerbils.



12th Ashton Scouts were visited by Jill Norris, archivist from Tameside Council Cultural Services, to learn about how their area looked 100 years ago through maps covering the Ashton Moss area.

They learnt that most of The Moss was a market garden worked by tenant farmers who primarily grew celery. This was exported all over the world.

Phil and Jane Rogers – Leaders at 12th Ashton.

(Just for interest: - My wife's uncle told the tale that while he was serving in the Second World War in Egypt, he got celery from Ashton Moss in his rations. Ken)

## **Congratulations to Luca**



Luca a Cub Scout in 2/1 Hurst Mariner Pack Ashton was presented with his Chief Scout Silver Award by Group Scout Leader Steve Longley. Cub Scout Leader Paul Revel congratulated Luca on his great achievement with all his hard work in gaining 10 Activity Awards, he only needed 6 for the Silver Award, including things like artist, diy, athletics and others. He also completed 7 challenge awards plus a leadership role with the cubs. Sadly this will be his last Award in Cubs as he is moving up to Scouts. Where he can start again getting more Badges and Awards in Scouts. Luca said, I have really enjoyed Cubs and getting lots of badges, I hope I can do the

same in Scouts.

If you would like to help young people like Luca through a Scouting life and help them gain lots of Badges and Awards then, contact <a href="mailto:Alan.Fish@ntscouts.org.uk">Alan.Fish@ntscouts.org.uk</a> 07931765120 to find your nearest Scout Group, there will be one only a few miles from your home.

### 1st Dane Bank Beaver's Gulliver's World sleep over.

Dino trial - beavers learnt about different dinosaurs and they even came face to face with a real-life dinosaur. They also went hunting for fossils.



Campfire - marshmallows



Bushcraft survival skills - beavers went to the forest and built dens with branches, they all then used a flint & blade to start a fire.



### **Gone Home - John Savident**



John Savident Joined the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ashton Scout Group in 1945 being part of a group of young boys who all joined together at the same time, John went through the Cub Pack and the Scout Troop into the 1950s, he didn't carry on in scouts even though he helped Edna Greaves with the Cub Pack for some time and was a member of St. James' Choir, he had turned towards his acting career by joining Ashton Repertory to start learning to what was to become his trademark profession acting, aka Fred the Butcher in Coronation Street.

Even so John fitted into his acting schedule a stint at Gilwell Park, in fact there is a Trophy which he made himself whilst a Gilwell based on the motif of Gilwell Park which is a felling axe buried in a wood log which he presented to the District and was awarded annually to the winners of the Scout Section Wanderlust Hike.

John always did his best and it is fair to say that he left many memories behind him which I am sure his family and friends will remember him by.

**Derek Casey (3rd Ashton)** 

# Events and Training provided by the County Activity Team

The following events are planned for the coming months.

# Climbing

#### Beginners introduction to indoor climbing

No dates currently set.

#### **Climbing leader training (Artificial walls)**

Thursday 9th May - Awesome Walls

Monday 13th May - Online Session

Thursday 16th May - Linnet Clough

Thursday 23rd May - Linnet Clough

# Hill Walking

#### Winter skills

10th - 14th February 2024 - Kincraig, Scotland - Booking Form

Hill walking leader training (terrain 1)

Thursday 14th March 2024 - Online Session

Wednesday 21st March 2024 - Classroom Session

Sunday 24th March 2024 - Hill Day

Thursday 28th March 2024 - Night Navigation

**Security on steep ground workshop** (terrain 2)

Sunday 15th June 2023 - Hill Day.

Contact us if you are interested in T2 Training.

#### **Beginners' introduction to hill walking** (terrain zero)

Thursday 25th April 2024 - Online Session

Thursday 2nd May - Classroom Session

Sunday 12th May - Practical outdoor session

# Archery

#### **Archery leader training**

16th - 17th March 2024 - Details

Are you interested in archery? Would you like to be able to run archery sessions within your group?

This 2-day workshop will help you gain the necessary knowledge and skills to be able to apply for an archery permit.

Please note that it is not Archery GB affiliated and will only allow you to run sessions within Scouting.

Details: Price – £80 per head Dates – 16 th & 17 th March 2024 Time – 9.30am to 4.30pm Venue – 1 st Cheadle Hulme Scouts, The Cabin, Dundonald Road, Cheadle Hulme, SK8 6LL

Advanced booking and payment is required as there are a maximum of 12 places available.

All archery equipment will be supplied.

Tea and coffee will be available but you need to bring your own lunch and snacks.

Bring warm outdoor clothing and shoes as some of the sessions will take place on an outdoor archery range.

Numbers are limited so the first ones to return their form and payment will get the places. Please contact Terry Jones at terry.jones@cheadlescouts.org.uk for a booking form

Booking website - <a href="https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/gain-experience">https://www.gmescouts.org.uk/gain-experience</a>
Thanks

#### **Keith Hampson**

MAPS, Climbing Assessor, Hill walking Assessor Night away adviser



**GME Activity Team** 

Please reply to; activities@gmescouts.org.uk

www.gmescouts.org.uk/activities-1

# Young leader training weekend

Open to all explorers and scouts aged 13 1/2 years old.

15-17 March 2024

Linnet clough Scout Camp Site.

Cost £20.00 for food training booklet and badge. (Please note that this event is being subsidised by GME)

Arrive and pitch tents from 18:00

Start time March 15th 2024 19:30.

Finish March 17th 2024 14:30.

Weekend will cover YL Training Modules A-J

Please note that Module K will be held separately. If you require this module, please let me know, so I can add you to the list of explorers and contact you, when we have a confirmed date for this module.

If any leader would like to assist on this weekend, please let me know.

Please confirm your interest with your explorer leader and have them email Alex Mee to book your place <a href="mailto:alex.mee@ntscouts.org.uk">alex.mee@ntscouts.org.uk</a>



# 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



# **The Big Plastic Count**

Scouts: Join the UK's biggest investigation into plastic waste!

Just to introduce myself, I'm Julia and I work at an organisation called Everyday Plastic. We run campaigns to raise awareness about the single-use plastic problem, and aim to inspire people to reduce their own plastic consumption.

This March, we're teaming up with Greenpeace UK to run The Big Plastic Count, the UK's largest investigation into household plastic waste. Our goal is to highlight the urgency and scale of the plastic problem, and empower individuals to play a part in helping solve the plastic crisis.

The Big Plastic Count brief is really simple: count your household's plastic waste for one week (from 11-17 March) and submit your results to us online. This will automatically generate your personalised plastic footprint and will help us to reveal how much plastic we are throwing away as a nation, and what really happens to it afterwards. We'll use the results to convince UK ministers to lead the way at global talks that could finally phase out plastic pollution for good.

Young people will see the worst effects of environmental degradation in their lifetimes, but we believe that they should have the power to help shape and change the future of the planet, and turn the tide on plastic pollution. This is why youth participation is so central to The Big Plastic Count campaign, and why we are reaching out to Scouts to ask if you will help us spread the word and get your members involved.

Taking part in The Big Plastic Count would also be a great way for Scouts members to work towards earning relevant badges, such as:

- Environmental Conservation badge
- Global Issues badge
- Community Impact badge

Over 60,000 people across the UK have already signed up, but the more people we have taking part, the more powerful our collective voice will become! We'd love for you and the members of Scouts North Tameside to join us on our mission.

Signing up is easy. Simply share the sign-up link with your members and spread the word! Here's the link: thebigplasticcount.com/scouts

We also have additional information especially for community groups, as well as images and graphics to share with your wider network and community (e.g. on social media or in an email newsletter). You can download those at the following link: TBPC assets

If you have any questions, or would like more info, please do get in touch and I'll be happy to help you.

Thanks for your support. Let's get counting!

Best wishes, Julia Bell Project Manager | Everyday Plastic

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Email // julia@everydayplastic.org



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>

Hi,

I'd like to introduce you to the new booking system ticket source. All courses can be found via our website <a href="https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gmetraining">https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gmetraining</a>

May I also remind everyone of the importance of the check you knowledge questions when developing a members learning plan. If you are unsure how to use this please contact me or book on for a refresher of Module 25.

Regards Cliff Meadowcroft, County Training Manager

# **GME Training Services**

Listed below are all of the currently organised training courses for volunteers in GME ONLY. Please book your place on any of the courses below

For more information, visit the website.

**Module 19: International** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Tue 12 Mar 2024, 6:30PM

BOOK NOW 28 tickets available

Module 10A & 10B: First Response

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

1st Dinting Scout Centre, Cheshire Sat 23 Mar 2024, 9:30AM

**BOOK NOW** 26 tickets available

Module 10A & 10B: First Response

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

1st Dinting Scout Centre, Cheshire Sat 23 Mar 2024, 1:00PM

26 tickets available

**Module 13: Growing the Section** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Mon 22 Apr 2024, 6:30PM

BOOK NOW 28 tickets available

Management - Challenges & Growth 2 Day Course

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

21st Stockport Scout Hut, Cheshire Sat 27 Apr 2024, 9:30AM

BOOK NOW 20 tickets available

Management - Challenges & Growth 2 Day Course

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

21st Stockport Scout Hut, Cheshire Sun 28 Apr 2024, 9:30AM

**BOOK NOW** 20 tickets available

**Module 18: Practical Skills** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

2nd Heald Green Scout Hut, Cheshire Sat 11 May 2024, 1:00PM

#### **BOOK NOW**

#### 18 tickets available

Residential Weekend Course (3 Days 2 Nights) covering Modules: 8, 9, 11, 14 & 15

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Linnet Clough Scout Camp & Activity Centre, Stockport Fri 17 May 2024, 6:00PM

**BOOK NOW** 16 tickets available

Module 25NAA: Nights Away Assessors

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

7th Stalybridge Scout Group, Stalybridge Sat 6 Jul 2024, 9:00AM

**BOOK NOW** 20 tickets available

**Module 11: Administration** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Online Wed 10 Jul 2024, 6:30PM

BOOK NOW 29 tickets available

**Module 15: Promoting Positive Behaviour** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Online Mon 15 Jul 2024, 6:30PM

BOOK NOW 27 tickets available

Module 16: Introduction to Residential Experiences

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Online Tue 23 Jul 2024, 6:30PM

**BOOK NOW** 30 tickets available

**BELT UP Residential Weekend Course (3 Days 2 Nights)** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Linnet Clough Scout Camp & Activity Centre, Stockport Fri 16 Aug 2024, 6:00PM

BOOK NOW 20 tickets available

# Module 8: Skills of Leadership For Volunteers in Scouting Only

1st Hazel Grove Scout Group, Stockport Wed 11 Sep 2024, 6:30PM

**BOOK NOW** 19 tickets available

Module 9: Working with Adults
For Volunteers in Scouting Only

1st Hazel Grove Scout Group, Stockport Wed 18 Sep 2024, 6:30PM

**BOOK NOW** 19 tickets available

Management - Skills 2 Day Course For Volunteers in Scouting Only

21st Stockport Scout Hut, Cheshire Sat 21 Sep 2024, 9:30AM

BOOK NOW 20 tickets available

Management - Skills 2 Day Course For Volunteers in Scouting Only

21st Stockport Scout Hut, Cheshire Sun 22 Sep 2024, 9:30AM

BOOK NOW 20 tickets available

Residential Weekend Course (3 Days 2 Nights) covering Modules: 13, 16, 17, 18 & 19

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

<u>Linnet Clough Scout Camp & Activity Centre</u>, <u>Stockport</u> Fri 4 Oct 2024, 6:00PM

**BOOK NOW** 14 tickets available

<u>Module 25TA: Assessing Learning – Training Advisor Focused.</u>
For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Wed 16 Oct 2024, 6:30PM

BOOK NOW 30 tickets available

**Module 17: Running Safe Activities** 

For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Online Mon 2 Dec 2024, 6:30PM

#### **BOOK NOW**

#### 30 tickets available

Module 13: Growing the Section For Volunteers in Scouting Only

Online Online Mon 2 Dec 2024, 6:30PM

**BOOK NOW** 30 tickets available

# **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)

# Chell Stafford - 2<sup>nd</sup> Stalybridge Scout Group

Does anyone have any fold down tables preferably 6ft X 2ft we could borrow for a scout event (not camping - indoor model show) we need over 100, so any help would be really appreciated. If anyone has any contacts, please let me know and point me in the right direction. We need them for the first weekend on April 6th-7th! Local scout groups/community groups if you can help, please let me know!

Contact me on 07849 000837





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>

#### IN AID OF SCOUTS FUNDS

**Charity Number 1128406** 

# 7<sup>th</sup> Stalybridge Scout Group Lottery

7th Staybridge Scout Group has launched its very own lottery. For £2 you could be in chance with winning 30% of that months raised proceeds and not only that you'll be helping to support the group enrich the Scouting programme offered.

To enter simply sign up before the 28th of the month, the draw takes place on the 10th of the next month and winners will be notified by email within 2 days of the draw taking place.

1st prize - 30% of that month's raised proceeds 2nd prize - 10% of that month's raised proceeds 3rd prize - 5% of that month's raised proceeds

To sign up head to our website - <a href="https://7thstalybridge.org.uk/lottery/">https://7thstalybridge.org.uk/lottery/</a>

\*\*\*Important information\*\*\*

You must be aged 18 and above to play the lottery, and we ask that you do not promote the playing of the lottery to anyone under 18 including youth members of the organisation.

The promoter of the 7th Stalybridge Scout Group Lottery is David Hewitt (Treasurer). 7th Stalybridge Scout Group is licensed and regulated in Great Britain by Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council under license number GASLOT240225. Players must be 18 or over. A minimum of 50% of the total lottery proceeds go to supporting the work carried out by 7th Stalybridge Scout Group, 45% on prizes and 5% on expenses and administration of the lottery.





# Cheers for volunteers

Thank you for the scarves rolled, songs sung, and memories created. Most of all, thank you for the difference you're making to young people's lives.