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Welcome back after a well earned summer break. I have spent the summer talking with members of the County, Districts, my fellow County Commissioners, Region and HQ.

A range of problems and ideas for solutions have been discussed and I am now getting a more comprehensive picture of the challenge ahead.

These ideas were brought together at the County day in October when members of the County and District Teams engaged in discussion about what support the County should be delivering to the Districts, Groups, Sections and Youth Members and how it should be delivered.

Once we have this plan, we will need to overcome a range of challenges such as a lack of skills and a deficit in funding which is something that members of the County Teams are already working to resolve.

Over the next few months I will be inviting people to join the team so that we can fill the vacancies in the County structure to ensure that we can deliver the appropriate support to Leaders and young people across the County.

It is going to be another busy year for all of us. We will create more amazing experiences for our members young and old. I hope you enjoy it.



Nick Crowe County Commissioner



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# Meet the New DCs



## **LEE CURTIS District Commissioner for Bexley**

My name is Lee, but many members will know me as Mole. I joined Scouting when I was 8 years old as a Cub Scout at 7th Sidcup and continued to be a member of the group until I left in 1997, when I joined Coyote Venture Scout Unit (1st East Wickham).

I was lucky enough to be selected to attend the 19th World Scout Jamboree in Chile in 1998. I joined the County team in 1998 as a youth representative and was a

member of the Regional Venture Scout Team and, in 2001, I was part of the County Team to implement the programme changes which created the Explorer Scout and Scout Network sections. I became the first ACC (Explorers) in GLSE and, in 2007, I led a Unit to the 21st World Scout Jamboree in Essex to mark 100 years of Scouting. In 2009 I became ACC (Development)

Over the years I have helped on a number of international events such as Campdowne and Austria in 2010 as well as various District and Group events.

I have a keen interest in all areas of Scouting especially within resources and support for Leaders as well as community involvement.

Outside of Scouting I work as a Chartered Electrical Design Engineer in London and a member of The IET and CIBSE. I live in Sidcup where I also have an allotment and I am also involved in Freemasonry.

Scouting for me is about giving everyone a fun and challenging opportunity to try new things, to develop themselves and to make friends. I am looking forward to the challenge of being the District Commissioner for Bexley and working with everyone helping to provide Scouting to young people within the London Borough of Bexley.



for GLSE.

**GARY PEPPIATT**District Commissioner for Bromley

I was born in 1962 in Sutton Surrey moving to Orpington in 1970 attending Vine Road Primary School and then Charterhouse Secondary School.

I started my working life with Granada Television in 1978 where my role and type of installation and service work has adapted many times over the years. The

company has since changed its name to Acentic and basically we provide and install television and Wi-Fi systems into hotels across the world.

I married Pauline in 1985, settling in Orpington. We have 3 children, our eldest is Dean who is 24 and works and lives in London but is still keen to continue his travels.

Georgina is 20 and working in Bromley and Nicole is 15 and still at the Priory School.

My hobbies and interests include football although not playing these days, gardening and walking my Border Terrier Alfie. My biggest passion is ski-ing and my dream is to retire and live in Morzine France - still a very long way off yet.

Scouting began for me soon after my son joined 3rd Orpington Beavers. They were desperate for Leaders so I became their BSL 17 years ago. Two years later, I took on the role of the Group's GSL adding the role of LTM for Orpington in 2009. With the formation of the larger Bromley District, I became DDC for Group Support in 2011.



A taste of Japan was brought to Orpington last August when the Mayor of Hikari City, together with six students, visited local Scouts when he gave a short presentation about Japanese culture. The Scouts were joined by the Deputy Mayor of Bromley, Councillor Kate Lymer. The trip was to mark the 10th anniversary of the union of Kikari City and Yamoato Town and included visits to City Hall, Parliament and the Japanese embassy.

The visit was especially enjoyable for those Bromley Scouts who, next year, will be jetting off to the 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Japan. Billy Belsham, aged 16 from the 7th Orpington (Phoenix) Explorers said "Today was extremely enjoyable, it was very exciting experiencing the different cultures; I can't wait for the jamboree now, hopefully it will provide me with the opportunity to enrich myself much like today.

















Ten years on from it's inception MESH (Mixing Explorer Scout Holiday) has grown from strength to strength. This years MESH 10 introduced the American Football gridiron to the Explorers and Rangers of Bromley District. The biggest MESH to date saw 176 Explorers, Rangers, Networkers, Adult Support and Leaders enjoy a three day American sporting and Scouting experience.



Friday night started with a 'Pep Rally' camp fire where everyone learned the MESH cheer and enjoyed seeing American sporting legends on a big screen, listened and cheered to collegiate marching band music followed by a spectacular firework display. The evening was rounded off with a movie, hot dogs

and a real traditional popcorn maker supplying hot popcorn to all.

Saturday was the main event with everyone being split into teams. The highlights of the day were the 'Kent

Exiles' American football team taking all the Explorers through their paces in full pads and helmets and the Razzle Dazzle cheerleaders who added glamour and spirit by teaching a routine to 'Long Train Runnin' to each team for a competition later in the day.

There were also plenty of the favourite traditional Scouting events and competitions throughout the day. That night everyone attended the 'Homecoming Dance' in traditional American sporting dress.

The winners of the competitions were announced. They were the Lime team who won the Cheerleading Competition, the MESH mascot MESHEY winner was Ruby (Muckelt) the Labrador, Best Leader fancy dress was the CHEER 'Leaders' Emma Dowling, Emma Leek, Claire Amass and Martina Buist.

The winners for best MESH Spirit and Leadership were MESH King Lawrence Banda from 10th Penge ESU and MESH Queen Sophie Kent from Shogun ESU. All in all an excellent weekend thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!

Mark Smith
District Explorer Scout Commissioner
Bromley Scout District









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The UK Scout Association on the 21st October announced putting young people at the centre of its national leadership team, appointing a UK Youth Commissioner for the first time in the organisation's history.

Hannah Kentish will sit on The Scout Association's national leadership team, working alongside and in partnership with, the UK Chief Commissioner, the CEO of the Scout Association and Chairman to ensure that decisions made at the top of the organisation are fully reflective of its younger members.

The three-year appointment follows nine years of Scout Association membership growth in the UK and has been made as the Movement embarks on a new Strategic Plan for 2014-18. One of the key strands of this plan is to ensure that the Movement is shaped by young people in partnership with adults and the Youth Commissioner and her two deputies will play an important role in bringing this to life.

Hannah, a 21 year-old from Bexley, has been appointed as the first Scout Association UK Youth Commissioner.

Hannah began her Scouting journey as a Scout at 1st East Wickham, then an Explorer at 2nd East Wickham where she achieved her Explorer Scout Award; latterly she has been a member of Scout Network and a Cub Scout Leader at 9th Erith. She is currently working towards her Queen's Scout award, the highest award available in Scouting. Hannah joined The Scout Association's County Team in Greater London South East (GLSE) at 16 years-old, becoming its youngest ever Explorer Scout Chairperson.

**Hannah** will work with the rest of the Scout Association's senior leadership team over the next three years to ensure that Scouting:

- Remains youth-focused, connecting young members at the grassroots with decisions made at a national level and raising the profile of its youth-led initiatives. These initiatives will include a National Youth Council, which will allow young people to have their say about all things Scout-related and to be heard by the national leadership team
- Ensures that Scouting reflects its local communities offering life changing opportunities to all
- Retains its youth members, making it easier for those going to college, university or into the world of work to stay connected with Scouting, even if they are not actively volunteering as leaders.



Hannah will be supported by two deputies Jagjeet 'Jagz' Bharth, an 18 year-old Queen's Scout from Enfield, and Jay Thompson, a 21 year-old Explorer Scout from the Isle of Man, Jagz has been a member of The Scout Association for almost 12 years, having recently been one of two Explorer Scouts from his District to receive a Queen's Scout award. Jay Thompson joined the Beaver Scouts at the age of six and has since completed his Queen's Scout award and Explorer Belt Challenge. Jay was also one of two UK Scout Ambassadors selected to travel to the remote island nation of Tuvalu in the South Pacific, where he lived for 9 months, working with the local population to redevelop Scouting in the country.





Commenting on her appointment as UK Youth Commissioner, Hannah Kentish said: "I think Scouting can be summed up in one word: Opportunity. Scouting provides over 450,000 young people across the UK with the opportunity for everyday adventure and, even if they don't know it yet, it will change their lives forever. It certainly changed mine; giving me confidence I never knew I had. Over the next three years I look forward to working to give even more young Scouts, from a wider range of backgrounds, the opportunity to be heard and, ultimately, to experience Scouting to the fullest. It is such an honour to have been appointed as UK Youth Commissioner and I can't wait to work with the rest of the national leadership team."

UK Chief Commissioner, Wayne Bulpitt, added:

"Having a Movement that is shaped by young people in partnership with adults is at the heart of what Scouting is all about and I am delighted to welcome Hannah and her deputies Jagz and Jay onto the national leadership team today. They are all incredibly passionate about Scouting and bring unique qualities and experience to the team ensuring that the decisions made at national level remain relevant to our members. I look forward to working with them all as we begin this new and exciting chapter in our history."



Chief Scout Bear Grylls said:
"I'm so proud to welcome
Hannah Kentish on board our
senior leadership team. She brings
amazing enthusiasm, rich experience
and positive energy to our work
in changing young people's lives
in all communities across the UK.
We're 100% committed to making
sure everything we do is shaped by
young people - and Hannah is there
to lead and steer that."







# Canada Expedition 2014







It's hard to imagine that it has been a couple of months since our expedition to Canada.

From the flight over to Vancouver to our return to Gatwick I think it's safe to say the only time we stopped was to sleep - even then for a few hours most of the time!

Vancouver was incredibly hot, Kitsilano beach was amazing because it seemed like the whole city was built around it and where else would be better to try a subway for the first time?!

The train journey through THE ROCKIES was incredible for the whole journey there were mountains completely surrounding the train, we even saw the tallest mountain in Canada!

Apart from Edmonton and Calgary being pretty quiet, the Zoo was fantastic and my favourite part was the penguins - we stood right in front of them as they dived in and out of the pool (splashing everyone too).

Toronto was absolutely incredible! The CN Tower was ridiculously high and had amazing views of the city and beyond! The Blue-Jays game was great and since the park was right next to the CN Tower we could see the light displays as the game was going on! The camping on Snake Island was pretty awesome - yes okay - the ants bit everyone but that's why we all had a massive water fight in the lake!

My absolute favourite moment throughout the trip was the night on Snake Island; when it got dark everyone went down to the beach and across the lake was the greatest view of Toronto I have ever seen!

Overall, the best experience I have had in my life and I will miss the amazing people who were there too! The trip could not have happened were it not for the entire group of Leaders who I thank very much!

James Pepperell-Jackson 9th Erith Air Scout Unit

# Chislehurst Invicta celebrate after completion of their new headquarters





Following a £280,000 rebuild construction project of their new headquarters on the corner of Chislehurst Recreation ground, Chislehurst Invicta Scout Group celebrated the official reopening last July by project co-ordinator Robert Humphrey from Potter Raper Partnership.

The invited guests and dignitaries included Sir Roger Sims ex-MP for Bromley and Chislehurst and current MP Bob Neil and local Councillor Cathie Boughey. Guests then joined the Scout Group in the new hall for cake and champagne.

Inside the single storey building there is a hall, kitchen, toilets, a meeting room and storage and the exterior cladding is designed to make it look like a log cabin set amongst the trees. When it is not being used by the Scouts it will be a 'hub' for the community.

Claire Hannam, Group Scout Leader said: "After more than 16 years of hard work, we are all absolutely thrilled to finally officially open our headquarters and secure it's future for many years to come. My thanks go to all who have helped to make this happen." The Scout Group has been without it's own building for over 16 years when a fire destroyed the headquarters in 1997, supporters since then have raised more than £158,500 through fundraising activities.

The Veolia Environmental Trust has also awarded a grant of £50,000 through the Landfill Communities Fund. Other funds came from Garfield Weston Foundation, £10,000, Bernard Sunley Charitable Trust, £2,000 and the Hedley Foundation, £2,000.

"We at Potter Raper Partnership are extremely proud to have been a part of the new Chislehurst Invicta Scout Club development. The hard work and commitment from all associated with the Group and in particular Claire Hannam is an example to us all. We are delighted that Claire's dedication to this project, which spans several years, has now come to fruition, providing outstanding facilities for the Scout Group for many years to come. We would like to thank all those who have dedicated their time and resources in delivering this excellent building". Robert Humphrey, Partner at Potter Raper Partnership



During the 18 days of the expedition, every person on the trip changed as an individual through the amazing experiences they shared – running workshops with Kenyan Scouts to painting school classrooms and visiting the Amani orphanage to see the wonderful work being done there. The main project phase in Siaya was spent camping with local Scouts – experiencing the real Kenyan lifestyle – taking 'boda bodas' back from the market, killing live chickens for dinner, using a hole in the floor toilet also occupied by cockroaches.

They made friends with some marvellous people, played games with some of the friendliest children and shared in a wonderful campfire.















Quotes from our intrepid Explorers

Ben Austin: "All in all Kenya 14 was, and will always be, both a life changing experience and a massive highlight in my life and I look forward to my return."

Sophie Durman: "It was a fantastic and enlightening experience, one that I will remember for years to come."

Cameron Wythers: "The trip was eye opening, from visiting Lord Baden Powell's grave, to helping at an orphanage, those perfect moments will never be forgotten. They will live on in the hearts of all who experienced them."

The final week was spent soaking up the many tourist activities – a safari with a close encounter with a white rhino and spending a night in 'The Ark' where they watched herds of roaming elephants.



Three new youth social media channels were launched and current channels were relaunched as membersonly to provide a set of focused, useful and engaging channels for key Scout audiences.

Current channels @UKScouting, facebook.com/ scoutassociation and pinterest.com/UKScouting have become entirely volunteer-focused with content to reflect that.

The new channels – facebook.com/UKScouts, @scouts and instagram.com/ukscouts – have been launched for younger members as part of The Scout Association's social media strategy and will be promoted via current comms channels and targeted media spend. The content for the three new youth channels will be entirely youth-focused for an audience of 13-25 year olds.

Instagram

## **GLSE Social Media Channels**



If you are a Facebook user please use the link below to our page to receive regular updates on what's going on in and around the County and future opportunities for you and your young people, at just a click away!

#### www.facebook.com/glsescouts



www.twitter.com/GLSE Scouts

### Want to get your groups #SocialMedia up and running?

Email SocialMedia@glsescouts.org.uk and see if we can help! #iScout #GroupSupport

## **Training opportunities in November**

Modules 11,16,18: Sunday 23rd November 2014 - (09.30 - 18.00). 1st Foots Cray Scout Group HQ, Rectory Lane, Sidcup, Kent, DA14 5BP.

#### Module 11 – Administration for Section Leaders

What are the two legal documents you are required to have at every sectional meeting? What records and financial accounts should you hold? How does Data Protection affect me? The module covers the records and procedures necessary for effective administration of the section by games, scenarios and teamwork.

#### Module 16 - Introduction to Residential Experiences

What is the importance of residential experiences in Scouting? What do you need to think about when organising and administering a night's away? What is the Night's Away Scheme? This module enables section leaders and supporters who may support residential experiences for young people, as part of their role in Scouting, to understand the role that residential experiences play in Scouting with tasks and group discussion.

#### **Module 18 - Practical Skills**

Can you train others in a Scouting skill? What are the techniques to teaching young people new skills? Do you need some ideas for practical skills? The module is designed to enable adults to gain and develop practical skills for the benefit of young people in their section through a skills market and instruction.

You can attend individual modules or all three - the choice is yours!

Safeguarding Refresher Course – Wednesday 26th November 2014 6th Sidcup Scout Group HQ, Christ the King 6th Form College, Chislehurst Road, Sidcup, DA14 6BP (opposite Queen Mary's Hospital). (19.30 - 21.30).

The evening is split into three parts:

#### Refresher on the Safeguarding Key Points (Yellow Card)



A reminder of the key points relating to Safeguarding when running evening meetings, outside activities or dealing with incidents that might occur. How do you manage Safeguarding and maintain best practice in your section? What should you do if an incident occurs?

#### **Scout Association's Anti Bullying Policy**



Bullying affects as many as one in three young people in the UK and long-term affects can be devastating. As leaders we are in an important position to help our young people and provide crucial anti-bullying information and advice. What resources are there available and how can we develop an anti-bullying code within our sections?

#### Introduction to CEOP (Child Exploitation Online Protection)

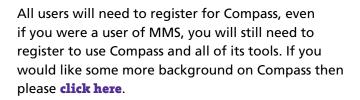


The Internet, mobile phones, iPads and tablets are a common occurrence in everyday life used by young people of all ages. How safe are they online? How can Scouting encourage safety online and provide young people with the tools and knowledge to protect themselves from harm? Think you know?

Please go to www.glsescouts.org.uk/adultsupport/training/ for further information on dates, how to apply and find downloadable forms. Please do not hesitate to contact Mark Knill (training@glsescouts.org.uk), Trish Webb (trainingadmin@glsescouts.org.uk) or any of the Local Training Managers should you need further advice or guidance.



As you will know the current Membership Management System (MMS or My Backpack) has now shut down. The reason for this is that the new system – Compass, has now gone live and over the next few weeks individual groups of users will be invited to register to use Compass.



There has been much talk about Compass over the last few months and what it will be able to do for us, as Leaders. It is our 'One Stop System for Scouting'.

Compass will make our lives easier by:

- Managing personal information on youth and adult records
- Managing waiting lists
- One record per young person as they move up through Scouting
- Tracking youth badges
- Managing programme planning
- Managing activity and nights away permits
- Inviting and managing attendance at local events
- Creating and maintaining contact lists of specific volunteers/parents or young people for communication
- Directly email or text members/parents/young people via Compass (no need to download data and use your own email/mobile account)
- More effective and quicker systems for updating training and development records

The main difference between the old system and Compass is that it is now mandatory to record youth data (your young people) in it. It is the policy of the Scout Association that all youth members must have at least some minimum data entered into Compass.



- 14.12(b) Compass must contain accurate and up-to date information on all youth, adult Members and Associate Members of the Association as well as connected individuals such as Executive Committee Members, Occasional Helpers and relevant parents/carers.
- 14.12(e) Responsibility for maintaining youth data rests with the leader of the Section(s) to which the young person belongs.

Adult data - previously recorded in the old system MMS - has now been imported into Compass. What we now need to do is to get our youth data into Compass. There are 3 ways in which you will be able to do this:

- Record your youth data, section by section for your group, on an Excel spreadsheet and upload it to a secure website to be imported into Compass. You will then upload data section by section
- 2. If you currently use Online Scout Manager (OSM) then you will be able to export your data to your PC and then upload it directly into Compass.
- Wait until Compass goes live and input your youth members directly into Compass

User Guides have been created for all aspects of Compass, these are **here**. You can search for user guides either by task or by role (e.g. if you are a GSL, click on the link and you will see all the users guides associated with your role). Included in these are details on how to upload the youth data into Compass, **Youth Data Upload** the spreadsheet needed for the youth data upload can also be found there.

Once we have gone live then you will need to register to use Compass in order to upload data and manage your records. To register as a Compass user, you must know your membership number, date of birth, main email address, and postcode as it was stored on MMS and therefore migrated to Compass.

There will also be updates to the GLSE website: http://www.glsescouts.org.uk/adultsupport/compass.html along with forms that you can use to collect the data from your young people (if they are new members) and also to ensure that you have the correct permissions for them under the Data Protection Act (details here)

This won't be the last version of Compass. In time there will be a mechanism to manage payments and it is envisaged that there will be a mobile app for it as well. What we are getting first is the basic version. More whistles and bells will be added in time.

If you have been involved with getting adult data ready to be migrated into Compass over the last few months, then thank you. If you are about to be involved in getting youth data migrated into Compass over the next few months then thank you too. It will all be worth it in the end.

Should you have any questions about Compass then please don't hesitate to contact me.

Gwyn Muckelt
Deputy County Commissioner - Adult Support
Greater London South East Scouts
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Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme (GASDS):

Does your group make use of bucket collections? Do you take part in bag packing in local supermarkets? Did you know that eligible charities can now claim Gift Aid on small cash donations up to £5,000 per year, starting from donations received on or after 6th April 2013? No? Well, read on as you could be missing out on ££££s in unclaimed Gift Aid from your bucket collections.

A small cash donation is £20 or less where no benefit has been given in exchange. The standard Gift Aid scheme requires donor declarations but where these are not possible with street collections, for example, HMRC have set up this new scheme to enable a Gift Aid top-up of up to £1,250 a year. For further details on the GASDS please refer to the **HMRC website**.

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# Assownead Awards

Our very own 'Oscar' Awards offers the opportunity for Districts to say thank you to everyone who has made Scouting happen – to the hundreds of adults who run and support Scouting in so many ways. Each and every one of them is important in making a difference and so – to them - we say a huge THANK YOU.



Beaver Scout Leader of the Year
Gina Evans
Bexley
Jeannie Pittard-Whitmarsh
Bromley



Young Volunteer of the Year

James Robertson
and William Bird
Sophie Davies
Bexley
Bromley



Cub Scout Leader of the Year
Sharon Nye Bexley
Philippa Seaton Bromley



New Volunteer of the Year
David Allen
Bexley
Faye Edwards
Bromley



Scout Leader of the Year
Elaine Eveson Bexley
Ann Hilderly Bromley



Team of the Year
5th/7th Bexleyheath Bexley
Leadership Team
Leaders of the Bromley
9th West Wickham
(Special Needs) Scout Group



Explorer Scout Leader of the Year
Paul Amass Bexley
Sue Kemp Bromley

**Volunteer Manager of the Year** 

Di Sprowles

Nicola Parker



**Bexlev** 

**Bromley** 

Scout Group of the Year

2nd East Wickham

Scout Group Bexley
7th Orpington Scout Group Bromley



Group Supporter of the Year
Elizabeth Rees Bexley
Karen and Mick Shipp Bromley



Scouter of the Year
Penny Atkins Bexley
Simon Hobson Bromley



District Supporter of the Year
Terry Newman Bromley



Lifetime Scouter

Ron Church Bexley

Mary Search Bromley



Trustee of the Year
Kathy Hossain Bexley
Carol McGowan Bromley



# Calling all interested Gold DofE candidates within Scouting

If interested in starting your Gold DofE then Contact Lewis Taylor on 07715893989 or Email bromleydofe@glsescouts.org.uk

We are now embarking on our fifth year of participation in the Jack Petchey Achievement Award Scheme and again we have 108 awards to be given out across the County within the next few months.



If you are still unsure as to how the Scheme works, access the Jack Petchey Foundation website. The scheme recognises the achievements of our young people (11 – 25 years) at the same time entitling them to £200 to spend on celebrating their success! Trips to the theatre, ice skating, celebratory meals at camp – all have had the opportunity to enjoy many such outings as a result.

This year's recipients saw their achievements celebrated at the Award Ceremony held on 9th October at BETHS Grammar School, Bexley. Again we enjoyed a memorable evening of entertainment which included performances by our own young people.

We were pleased to welcome the Mayor of Bromley and the Deputy Mayor of Bexley among our guests.

#### BEXLEY DISTRICT

Abbott Chloe Amos Michaela **Belsham James Bland Jack Boden Ellie Bruce Jamie Buckingham Ciaran** Claisse Daisy Cookman Matthew **Cunningham Stuart** Day Anthony **Doney Casey** Fairburn Nathan Ferreira Louise Fowler Christian Fox Ella Hamblin Harry **Haswell Patrick** Hems Asa Kelly Joshua

McPherson Sam

Mills Christopher

Patel Kieran

Pearce Liam

Selay Ediz

Pearce Rebecca

Saunders Emilia

**Seamons Bradley** 

Pepperel-Jackson James

Sim Daniel Smith Ben **Smith Conor Stephens Kimberley** Thorpe Will Waddington Pip **Leaders** Cooper Paul Gilham Amy Sprowles Di **Tully Nick BROMLEY** DISTRICT Alcock Monty **Baker Sam Bloom Thomas** 

DISTRICT

Alcock Monty
Baker Sam
Bermingham Olivia
Bloom Thomas
Brading-Miles Rian
Chambers Gemma
Cheeseman Joe
Cheverst Jamie
Clark Benjamin
Crichlow Ricardo
Davies-Whitehair Gracie
Dayman Matt
Debboe Darcie
Delamain Matthew
Diamond Jake
Donbavand Christopher

Edler Abigail Ely William Folley Katie Folley Michael Forde Rory Fuller Ryan Garwood Joe Gebbett Sean Gerry Josh Goyal Niraj Graydon Rebecca Green William **Grehan Conor** Haig Katy Holder Phoebe **Hood Tansy** Jolly Ben King Jack Kingshall Alex Laker Niamh Lane Conor Lawrence Benedict Martey Emmanuel Martin Mia Mathieson Jamie Matthews Oliver McDonnell-Reid Molly Mercer Katherine Milchard Marnie Mills Justin Mortlock Harry

Norton Millie Powell Ella Scrivener Jamie **Seaton Lucy Short Charlie Skelton Richard** Snell Joseph Spink Ben **Stephens Aaron** Stone Emily **Swinfen Chris** Tanner Ellis **Teverson-Grieg Darius** Underdown Annabelle **Urquhart-Proctor** Matthew Vaughan-Gray Bradley Vydelingham-Smith Elliot **Vydelingham-Smith Oliver Vydelingum Reiss** Walton Amy Wheatley Chloe Williams Jade Willis Katie Wray Jess

Narracott Andrew

#### Leaders

Dyer Roger Georgel Fran Smith Mark



## 13th Erith Beavers

On Wednesday 25th September, the 13th Erith Beaver Colony together with over 70 leaders and Young Leaders from the group celebrated their 30th birthday with a party.

Their Leader, Jackie Douglass, who has been with the Beavers for 29 of those 30 years said that she still 'gets a buzz' working with the Beavers and their Young Leader Nathan reminisced that being a beaver 'was like a big adventure'.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**



County Training Manager County Training Administrator Local Training Manager Training Advisor



Mark Knill and Trish Webb are both stepping down from their roles as County Training Manager (CTM) and County Training Administrator (CTA) at the end of this year.

We would like to thank them for all the hard work they have done, together with the rest of the Training Team, to rebuild training across the County.

In order to ensure we carry on the good work that has already been done, we now need to find a number of equally high calibre volunteers to take over the roles of CTM and CTA.

Added to this we also need to recruit more Local Training Managers (LTM) and Training Advisors (TA) to assist our Leaders to develop their skills and achieve their Wood badges.

If you are interested in undertaking any of these roles please send an expression of interest to Caroline at office@glsescouts.org.uk.



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If you have any articles and information for the next edition of i.SHARE please submit to newsletter@glsescouts.org.uk