

April 2020 (2) Scouts Nottinghamshire



Happy St George's Day!

It has been great to see so many Districts putting together plans to celebrate St George's Day virtually. Everyone across the County hopes they go well and are enjoyed by all.

Just a couple of quick thoughts from me...

Every year on St George's Day we come together to renew our Promises. We reflect on what it means for us as individuals but also take a moment to think about the huge positive impact it has on our world when we all live by it. Although this year may look and feel different the meaning of the Promise is just as relevant and arguably even more important than ever, especially given the challenging times we are all living through. Across the Country we are seeing people doing their best regardless of whether they are Scouts or not – to name a few - NHS workers, carers, food suppliers and retailers as well as everyone staying at home. I know that everyone is really appreciating their efforts – thank you.

Keep safe and well.

Steven Tupper

County Commissioner



St Georges Day Awards 2020

Congratulations to the following members:

Silver Acorn

Andrew Best	Rushcliffe District
Peter Shepherd	Rushcliffe District
Margaret Walker	Rushcliffe District

Bar to the Silver Acorn

Colyn Kemp	SW Notts District
Margaret Nurse	Rushcliffe District
Nigel Nurse	Rushcliffe District
Susanne Youngson	Rushcliffe District

To see all the Awards for the Nottinghamshire members—[https://staging.scouts.org.uk/documents/awards/2020%20Roll%20of%20Honour%20\(Updated%20170320\).pdf](https://staging.scouts.org.uk/documents/awards/2020%20Roll%20of%20Honour%20(Updated%20170320).pdf)

Join the UK Contingent to the World Scout Moot in Ireland in 2021.

Organisers are very much aware that we are living through unusual times and that there is a lot of uncertainty at the moment. With this in mind they are providing assurance that by signing up by the 3rd May you are not committing yourself to attend.

The Contingent will confirm its attendees in June at which time people will be able to decide if they are in the position to commit to the event. Putting in an application form now doesn't sign anyone up for payments or fully tie people down to the event should people have changes in their personal circumstances.

The organisers are also running a inclusion fund process alongside recruitment so that attendees will know exactly how much they will be required to pay prior to committing."

See attached poster for more information.

Training Team



Thank you to the many Leaders who have now completed their online safety and safeguarding training, taking the time to do this training is very much appreciated. The link to the training is on page 3 if you have missed it.

Congratulations to the 8 Leaders who have completed their wood-badge training this last month.

Christine Sheard
DCC People



Gift Aid

We can hear the yawns from you as you read this. In these difficult times, Gift Aid gives your Group the opportunity to make money. It is a great tool to raise those vital funds.

It is very simple. You don't need a Charity number and you can claim it on membership fees, donations and sponsored challenges. Below is a link to the Scout Association web page.

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/about-us/fundraise/support-scouts-your-way/gift-aid/>

If you wish to chat this through with us , give the Scout Office a call.

Calling all Explorer Scouts—your help is needed.

We would like you to design the front of a certificate to Recognise the "Time In Scouting" you have given from being in Beavers to the end of your Explorer time.

It should be in an A4 format, include the County Logo, space for the name, Explorer Unit and District of the recipient and space for the County Commissioner to sign and date it.



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The rest is up to you.



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Programme Team

Crafty ideas—Key Wind Chimes & Lady Bug Printed Rocks



St Georges Day sees the Renewal Of Promises, even dragon making in Central Notts. East Bridgford Cubs and SW Notts District among many others, I guess, are running to the moon. As I write Groups are getting ready to clap the NHS tonight in uniform. Along with Sofa Scouting, Indoor Scouting, we are not putting our feet up in this tricky time. Stay safe, have fun .

DCC Programme Jock Shaw



Ongoing Safety and Safeguarding Training - Don't be an April Fool

For all adults in Scouting, Safety of our young people must be our first priority, here in Nottinghamshire we are taking this very seriously. We are continuing to send emails out to all adults in Nottinghamshire whose Safety or Safeguarding is overdue.

If your safety or safeguarding is overdue you may have also received a letter from Tim Kidd (UK Chief Commissioner) urging you to complete the training online. Please do this as soon as possible.

You can complete the training by following the links below, once completed please send your certificate (a screen shot is adequate) to office@notts-scouts.org.uk and also to the Gilwell address you have been given in Tim's email.

Safeguarding Training (Link) <https://members.scouts.org.uk/supportresources/4050/safeguarding-awareness-online-training?moduleID=10>

Safety Training (Link) <https://members.scouts.org.uk/supportresources/2364/safety-training?cat=299,301&moduleID=10>

It takes an hour, an hour to make Scouting in your section a safer place for you and your young people. Those of you that do not complete the training, you will be asked to attend a virtual appointment review, the outcome will be Renew (unlikely) Reassign (probable) or Retire (possible).



Trustee vacancy with Nottinghamshire Scouts

Who are we and what do we do?

We are part of the UK's biggest mixed youth organisation. We change lives by offering 6 to 25-year olds fun and challenging activities, unique experiences, everyday adventure and the chance to help others so that we make a positive impact in communities. Scouts helps children and young adults reach their full potential. Our members gain valuable skills for life including teamwork, time management, leadership, initiative, planning, communication, self-motivation, cultural awareness and commitment. We help young people to get jobs, save lives and even change the world. There are 10,000 members in Nottinghamshire.

What can I do to help?

We are looking for volunteers to join our Board of Trustees. A Trustee is an unpaid voluntary role acting as part of a Board, which helps to run the Charity. You would be required to attend Board meetings up to 5 times per year as well as some Sub-Committee meetings.

We are especially keen to hear from you if you are passionate or skilled in:

- Legal matters particularly surrounding contracts or property
- Human Resources

We would, though, be interested to hear from people with a range of skills, not just those hi-lighted above.

No previous Board experience is necessary. Induction/training will be given. Reasonable out of pocket expenses will be reimbursed.

How do I apply?

Send a covering letter and a CV to the County address/email address, marked for the attention of the County Secretary. The closing date is the 30th May 2020

For an informal chat, call Moira Cordon on 07986 576843 or email moira.cordon@notts-scouts.org.uk or Stuart Howells on 07782 163686 or email stuart.howells@notts-scouts.org.uk

Temporary County Address: 9 Crow Lane, Ollerton, Nottinghamshire, NG22 9DL

Email: jayne.burton-naylor@notts-scouts.org.uk



County Office

The County Office is operational—the phone number and email addresses remain the same .

If you need to post any item to us—please send to 9 Crow Lane, Ollerton, Notts, NG22 9DL. Thank you