

Hi Everyone

I hope you all had a lovely summer – albeit I know it was a very strange one. With everything going on around us I know it wasn't as restful as normal. There are 2 important messages/thoughts that I wanted to share with you as we head into autumn.

1 – Listening to our members

You will all be aware of the changing government guidance relating to coronavirus. Despite this Gilwell are still being clear that we remain at “amber”. Ultimately though it will be our leaders, parents and young people who decide whether they are comfortable returning to face to face Scouting. Everyone will be in a different place so please listen to, take account of and understand what people are saying.

2 – Risk assessments

In amongst the coronavirus risk assessments that I can see everyone is working through you may have missed the guidance on risk assessments more generally has changed. From now on all risk assessments for all our activities and programmes need to be written down. There is a short period of time for people to put these in place – but we all need to be working to this by the 1 January 2021. Templates and really useful guidance can be found here: <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/staying-safe-and-safeguarding/risk-assessments/>

For me risk assessments need to be:

Simple – don't over think them

Reusable – most of our activities follow a common theme so once a risk assessment is in place they can be reused – just make sure they are regularly reviewed

A team effort – ensuring Scouting takes place safely is everyone's responsibility and the same applies to risk assessment. You should not be running through the 5 steps to risk assessment on your own

Finally...

A huge thank you to everyone, Scouting remains active across Nottinghamshire which is a huge achievement. Through the hard work of everyone we are in a really good place to make the most of opportunities but also ride out any setbacks that come our way.

Take care and keep safe.

Steven

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This training's been updated from June 2020. All roles an Appointment Review, together with all Trustees/Executive Member roles, require renewing Safeguarding and Safety training (initial Safeguarding and Safety training will normally be completed as part of Module 1) within five years of the role start date recorded on Compass.

Safety <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/learning-development-and-awards/ongoing-training-for-all/safety/>

Safeguarding <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/learning-development-and-awards/ongoing-training-for-all/safeguarding/>

"OLLIE" INVESTED AT DRIVE IN.

Good news!! A new member in lock down. 1st Kirkby recently held a "drive in" to present badges to Beavers. Parents queued in their cars to reward the young people for the badge work they carried out during lock down. A busy Beaver Leader Dave "OAK" Boaler presented badges to all through car windows and managed in the sunlight to Invest their latest member Ollie to the Beaver lodge.

I hear too from the GSL at 14th Worksop they too held drive in for presenting badges.

Great fun, great idea, parents involved, new member....can't be bad.

Thanks to those Leaders who took on the Army Quiz mailed out ,great fun. When we get back face to face they have a lot to offer you all on return. Details will in due course follow.

Leaders, a big Thank You for keeping it going out there. Despite the challenges of these changing times,. your enthusiasm keeps your young people together. When the doors open again, you will be rewarded with your HQ full of screaming.... whoops!.... excited kids ready for the fun called Scouting that you all tirelessly provide.

Enjoy the sunshine and keep safe.

Jock Shaw DCC Programme



Charity Shop

The Notts Scouts Charity Shop opened its doors once more on the 2nd September. The shop has been completely transformed by a small team of Volunteers. Our thanks to Colin & Glenys Bailey, Carol Spencer, Phil Barlow, Mick & Lynn Harris and last but by no means least Derrick Ferguson.

We are opening Wednesday to Saturday at the moment, so we can restock the shop safely. We are accepting donations for the Shop at the County Office only.

If you would like to help in the shop, please give Jayne a call 0115 952 3617



Programme Team

We need you all!! **SUPER HEROES**

ACROSS OUR COUNTY UNITE....

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 26th & 27th



**CINEMA VOUCHERS TO BE
WON! TROPHIES TOO!!**



THE SUMMER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS ARE UPON US, PARENTS WILL BE SNATCHING TIME WITH THEIR YOUNG PEOPLE AND LEADERS TOO NEED A BREAK FROM THE SUPERB PROGRAMMING PROVIDED THROUGH THESE TESTING TIMES.

**SO WE INVITE EVERY GROUP, EVERY SECTION TO "JOIN TOGETHER" AFTER
THE HOLIDAYS AND ENTER OUR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE SCOUTS**

SUPER HEROES COMPETITION

YOUR GROUP SCOUT LEADER HAS THE DETAILS



We need you!



Job title:

Business Development And Events Manager

Salary:

**£30,000 per annum
+ target-based bonus**

Hours:

40 hours per week

Location:

Sherwood Forest, Nottinghamshire

Deadline:

20th September 2020

If you would like to know more about the role and to have an informal chat, or to receive a job description and application form, please call **Guy Laurie**, CEO at Walesby Forest on **01623 860202**; alternatively please email guy.laurie@walesbyforest.org.uk

We are looking for a dynamic and outgoing business development and events manager, part of the senior management team, to actively recruit new business and play a central role in the development and implementation of Walesby Forest's strategy goals. You must be willing to work evenings and weekends as required.

The main elements of the role include a requirement to build strong relationships with scouts and guides identifying opportunities for their increased involvement on site, develop our schools business dealing with enquiries and overseeing group stays at Walesby Forest, develop relationships with local businesses to grow this area of our business, manage our events and identify new fun possibilities for all our customer groups.

We would like you to have at least two years' scouting or guiding experience in a prominent role, used to networking with other Scout and Guide leaders. We would also like you to have a commercial background in either sales or marketing, or other similar industry, and experience of developing, promoting and organising small and large events.

Most of all we are looking for someone who is organised, persuasive, who has passion for a cause and brand, who can really 'sell' the place, who is sociable with high emotional intelligence and a focus on team success.

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