



Training Newsletter

Welcome to Summer!!!!

Most groups will now be taking a break for the summer, unless like me you are taking your Section off on an adventure somewhere.

There is no training in August to allow the trainers to have a break also, but we are back in earnest in September. Details of all courses are shown later in this newsletter.

Dates for 2020 are now being planned and will be advertised in the next newsletter. We have taken on board your comments about not being able to attend courses on Saturday's, so are looking at putting some First Response and Getting Started courses on Sundays for you.

Note from the County Commissioner

I would like to begin by expressing my thanks to all the training team and training advisors who ensure that the training delivered to you our volunteers enables you to provide exciting, challenging and well-balanced programmes for our youth members. Without your dedication to delivering our training programmes we would not achieve growth in the Scouting Movement every year.

Earlier this year, Ian Temple Heald expressed an interest in moving on to pastures new within the County structure but agreed to support training until a new County Training Manager (CTM) was found. I would like to thank Ian for his dedication to the role of CTM over the past 4 years and wish him well in his new role which will be announced later this summer

Pat Farr, who some of you met at the County AGM has agreed to take on the role. Pat is new to GMN but comes with a wealth of expertise and knowledge, having been involved in the setting up of the Information Centre at Gilwell, holding the role of CTM in Oxfordshire to name just a couple of his previous Scouting achievements. I'm sure you will all give Pat a fantastic Manchester welcome and I know the rest of the training team and I look forward to volunteering alongside Pat to ensure that the training that you receive gives you the skills to deliver balanced and exciting programmes ensuring #Skillsforlife for all.

Yours in Scouting,
Cathy
County Commissioner

A look back at our County Young Leader Training Courses

On the weekend of the 22nd to the 24th March, over 30 Explorer Scout Young Leaders from around the county came together to complete their young leader training course. Over the course of the weekend they covered all the modules in the scheme, which closely follows the Adult Leaders Woodbadge course, as well as having a bit of down time to have a go at a few activities such as crate stacking, archery, problem solving and karaoke style sing-along music quiz!

As a County we have now had over 200 young leaders complete the course. Feedback surveys are carried out after each course and they show that we currently have a 99% approval rating by the Young Leaders, with many asking if they can come again!

The next course is from the 19th to the 21st October at County HQ information on how to book onto this course is shown later.

If, however, you have a Young Leader attend the course, or have had one attend previously, and want to know more about what they learn and how you can use them effectively in your section, we have a leaders briefing about the course on Thursday 7th November, 7:00 at County HQ.





We have now become the victim of our own success and have lots of courses running within the County that are filling every time, and unfortunately we don't have the capacity at this present time to put any more courses on due to lack of numbers within the training team.

We are therefore seeking anyone interested in joining our team. Not all of the roles we need to fill are actually training related, we do have some support roles. See below for some of the roles we need to fill:-

Course Presenters

Training Advisors

Caterers

Tutors

Getting Started Course Director

If you have an interest in joining our team, please contact me on courseadministrator@gmnscoouts.org.uk

COURSES AVAILABLE 2019/2020

First Response 2019 Initial Courses

0930 to 1600 @ County HQ

Saturday 5th October – Fully Booked
Saturday 14th December

All courses run by David Marsland and his team

2020 dates now planned and will be on next newsletter

Safeguarding 2019

Saturday 28th September
1300 to 1530 @ County HQ
(Tutors Rob Partington & Rachel Butler)

Sunday 17th November
0945 to 1230 @ PRaWS HQ
(Tutors Vinny Murphy & Alan Sharkey)

Getting Started 2019

0900 to 1600 @ County HQ

Saturday 12th October

0900 to 1600 @ PRaWS HQ

Saturday 9th November

All courses run by Neil Kayley and his team

GDPR

Mandatory Training

This is an elearning course. To complete the course please follow the below link.

https://members.scouts.org.uk/training_module/GDPRwithcertificate/#/

Once complete, save the certificate and forward to me at courseadministrator@gmnscouts.org.uk and I will update your compass record accordingly.

Fast Track 9 (2020) (Woodbead's)

Slight change to this training, now two separate validation mornings. Please note you should have completed Getting Started prior to attending this course

Weekend 1
18th & 19th January 2020
0930 to 1630 daily @ County HQ

Validation for Weekend 1
Saturday 25th April 2020
1000 to 1300 @ County HQ

Weekend 2
16th & 17th May 2020
0930 to 1630 daily @ County HQ

Validation for Weekend 2
Saturday 5th August 2020
1000 to 1300 @ County HQ

Safety 2019

Saturday 28th September
11 to 1230 @ County HQ

Sunday 17th November
1300 to 1430 @ PRaWS HQ

Further dates to be added as necessary

Young Leader Training 2019

Weekend

18th to 20th October 2019
@ County HQ

OSM Sessions

Are you new to / do you want to start using OSM to keep a track of everything for your Group or Section? This session will give you an overview of what OSM can do for you, and how it can make your life so much easier!

Saturday 2nd November, 0930 to 1200
@ County HQ

Tuesday 28th January 2020, 1900 to 2130
@ County HQ

DBS Session

Is it part of your role to submit DBS requests for new leaders to your group? This session will talk you through how the system works and you will be able to practice putting people through the process.

Thursday 26th September, 1900 to 2130
@ County HQ

To book onto any of the above mentioned courses please visit:-

<https://teamup.com/ks3f9a925f67cef4df>

then go to the date / course you want and follow the instructions.

If you have any issues booking the course, please contact me on courseadministrator@gmnscouts.org.uk