




NORTHALLERTON DISTRICT EXPLORER SCOUTS

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Duke of Edinburgh Award

Those of you who have just registered for Bronze or Silver should now have decided what you will be doing for each section of the award.

Please remember to check that the things you intend doing are suitable for the award and that you ask whoever you are working with to complete your award book for you.

DoEA and CS P/D A Expeditions

You should now have dates planned for your expeditions. Remember for DoEA[S] and CPDA it is a three day expedition so there are not many possible times for this.



Young Leaders

Everyone who asked for a place on the County weekend next march has been given a place. There will be sixty Y.L.s on the weekend and no further places available.

Payment receipts, confirmation of your booking and the modules and activities you have been allocated will be posted out to you early in the new year.

Please contact Charles if you do not yet have a Group section to work with as a Young Leader.

Archery

Following the introductory night, Kevin will soon be circulating the session dates to those people registered.



Australia Trip

Hopefully everyone taking part in Escape2Venture now has their bags packed and has the Au\$ ready.

Have a wonderful time between Christmas and New year and at the Venture itself.

The Emergency Contact is Bob Hampson on 01609 771 152.

14th Australian Venture
Western Australia
4th-15th January 2009
escape2venture.com

* Don't forget to post your subs payment before you go!



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THE GEOFFREY GORDON CUP

Durham Explorer Scouts pleased to announce that the 2009 Geoffrey Gordon Cup will be held on the **28th-29th March 2009** at the **Birch Hall Campsite** near Scarborough.

A poster and entry form is attached to this newsletter. The cost to enter this year's event will be **£18 per Explorer** to cover the cost of accommodation, activities, event support and some food.

The deadline for bookings to be into the organising team is the **19th February 2009** (different dates on each bit of paperwork so I've taken the earliest), please make sure your form with £18 payments is returned to Charles no later than Sunday 8th February. **Please make cheques payable to Northallerton District Explorer Scouts.**

Last year **60 explorers took part**, completing the huge range of activities on offer involving a 16 foot seesaw in the trees, giant tractor tires and lots of water! We're going to be building on our successes with **more and more challenging activities** and continuing our revised format for Sunday.

Saturday

After planning your route, we'll get you from your campsite to your start point. You'll then follow your plans (approximately 16km), completing all our challenges on the way and gaining points for your team! You'll need to be at your best to complete our exhilarating physical and mental challenges! In the past we've done everything from canoeing, high rope challenges to a 16 foot giant see-saw in the trees!

Sunday

Sunday takes a different turn with lots and lots of challenges all in the local area! You'll need to be fast and plan well to pick up all the points!

Remember:

- Everyone (yes everyone) can enter! There is not a "GGC Standard".
- It's fun and enjoyable
– not trudging all day in the rain ☺
- You have just as much chance of winning
– just come with the right attitude.
- Leaders are optional!

There is more information on the Durham web-site at <http://www.durhamscouts.org.uk/ggc>

For Sale

Explorer Scout Shirt Size XL
(Hardly Worn) £10
Contact: Charles

Unit Meetings Early in the New Year

Sunday 4th January, 19:00 at Bedale Scout Hut

Monday 12th January, Bowling at Star Bowl in Northallerton. Cost: pay your own fee. Please let Andrew know if you will be going so that lanes can be booked.
e-mail: ajg@northallerton-scouts.org.uk

Monday 19th January, 19:30 at East Cowton Village Hall.

Subscription Payments

As Explorer Scouts are a District section, as of 1st January 2009, all Northallerton District Explorer Scouts will have the same arrangement for subs.

Subs will be paid on a termly basis (i.e. January, April and September). The District has set a rate of £20 per Explorer per term to cover the cost of hall rent, County and national membership fees (which include activity insurance cover) and badges / certificates). In addition to this a charge of £10 per term will be made which will go to the Home Unit of the Explorer towards the activity running costs of the Unit. i.e. a total of £30 per Explorer per term. Please make Cheques payable to *Northallerton District Explorer Scouts*.

As many of the Explorers are going on the trip to Australia, the January subs letter was sent out early, to allow payment by the first week of January. We can then pay the National Membership fees on-time.

BARNES Unit Presentation Evening

Members of the BARNES Unit enjoyed Christmas Dinner at Solberge Hall on 15th December. The meal was followed by presentation of a number of badges and awards.



Items for this newsletter / Any Questions?

If you have items from your Unit that you would like putting in the next newsletter or any questions or suggestions, please e-mail them to Charles (desc@northallerton-scouts.org.uk).