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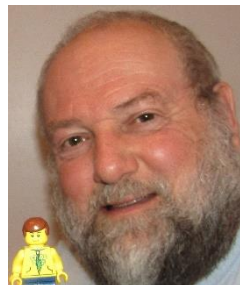
Welcome to our February Information Bulletin



Hi Everyone

I hope you've all visited the new website at www.isleofwightscouts.org.uk (that's it, above). A huge thanks to James, Alan and Victoria for all the hard work they've been putting into it. James will be telling you more about that later. By the way, congratulations to James who has now been appointed as County Communications Manager (Online/Social Media).

The Media Team are working on a number of events for 2018 and I'd like to tell you a little bit about one of those projects. On **Saturday 25th August** we'll be holding a **Teddy Bears Picnic** at Northwood House. Put the date in your diaries! I don't think we'll get near the World record of 33,573 Teddy Bears at a picnic, but we'll open it to Girlguiding IW and any other Young Person who wants to join in and hopefully it'll be the biggest TBP the Island has ever seen! We'll be raising money for ourselves, Northwood House and Children in Need. We're just getting the framework organised, and in a couple of weeks we'll let you know more details of how you can join the team and help raise money for some brilliant charities while you're having fun!



Finally, there's a poster for 1st Newport on the back page – please read/print/post!

So, Cheers, have a great month, MaC
(and Keeeeepp Scouting from Sid and GIJoe)!

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Diary dates

FEBRUARY 2018

3-4	EW Beaver sleepover
10	1 st Newport 110 year reunion
10-11	WW Sixers weekend
12-16	School Holiday
17	EW Beaver & Cubs Skills
17	Explorer Quiz night
18	Corf Service Crew
18	WW Cub Pantomime
24	First Aid Course

MARCH 2018

3	IsleShape 18
7	EW Exec Mtg
10	WW Chess Club
10	YL training
11	Shooting Club
17	Archery Club
17	EW Beavers Skittles
17	EW Scouts Bar Comp

County Commissioners February 2018 Report



Well February is here already, hope you can pack lots into the shortest month.

I visited 5th Ryde and they held a thoughtful Gone Home ceremony by placing large sticks around a lantern. This was to remember Tamsin Kelly ...also we think about the families of Nick Frampton and Rich Bunday who have also gone home, sounds like God is setting up his own Scout Troop.

Victoria and I attended another regional event to keep up with national plans. Just as you thought there could be no more change some new badges have been released. A review of the Scout brand is now well underway. Proposals for a new brand, logo and visual identity are currently being tested and will go to the national Board for approval in March 2018. The membership badge will NOT change but other changes look good. I tell you this just in case you are about to order banners etc.

Isle Shape 18 is "shaping" up nicely and the badges for attendees are on order, they can then be worn on uniform. There is still time to add your name, or those of any section, unit or executive who is not represented. Please take the time to get others along. Don't forget Explorers and Young leaders have their own programme on the day. Book your place here.

The new website is starting to have content for groups, thank you to those that have made the effort to make their own page look good. If you have a Whoops page, contact the team asap.

The Greatest Show on Earth is taking place on our doorstep. Revolution 2018 will be on over the Easter weekend. If you are 14-25 and would like to come along, please email me at gurnard2@sky.com by February 19th. The cost for this activity filled long weekend is £110 which will include food, fees and transport around the island. The activities are-

- Rib Rides
- Power Kites
- Head-hunters
- Rifle Shooting
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Archery range
- Synchronised swimming
- Dancing lessons
- Drum workshop
- Keep Fit
- Magic workshop



Me at Revo!

A £60 non-refundable deposit will be needed payable to Isle of Wight Scout Council or email me to BACS. Elaine Sharkey and I will be looking after you. More about the event at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/iowrevolution/> See page 4 for a few more photos of Revo.

Please keep 15th April free to support the jamboree unit at the concert at All Saints Church Ryde, the fun starts at 2.30pm.

Also alert your members to a combined St Georges and Walkie Talkie event on 22nd April in Newport. It will start at 9:30 am and finish by 14:30pm. More details will appear by February 20th.

YIS
Paul

Hi!

WELCOME TO YOUSHAPE MONTH

#YouShape

#YouShape Month is here!

If you haven't heard, February is #YouShape Month. Youth Shaped Scouting isn't a new concept; empowering young people to decide, design and implement their own Programme and experiences is already happening around the country. #YouShape month allows us to ensure that this continues and is embedded in every level of the Movement.

The three key aims for #YouShape Month for Isle of Wight Scouts are –

Running & Celebrating YouShape Scouting – I am visiting groups across the Island to run a YouShape activity, but are you doing something YouShape at your section? Let me know via the details below, and I will advertise your hard work and story to the rest of the Island and far and wide.

Recognising Achievements – New award just for Island Scouts – the #YouShape award. Each month, starting this February, you can nominate a young person, an adult volunteer or executive committee member to receive the YouShape award for their commitment to YouShape. Has a young person (6 – 25 year old) led the way with youth shaped scouting? Do you know a leader that has gone above and beyond with youth shaped scouting? Do you know an executive committee member who is incorporating YouShape into their plans? Nominations for this month close on the 23rd February. Please send their name, role (for example: Beaver Scout, Assistant Scout Leader or Chairperson) and a brief description on why they should be nominated to the details below.



Recruiting – Big news for both Districts, we are recruiting for District Youth Commissioners and their deputies. Are you 18 – 24 years old and want to champion, encourage and lead the work to ensure that Scouting in the District is shaped by Young People in partnership with adults – then this is the role for you. If you are 18 – 24 years old and would like more information, or if you are an adult volunteer and might know someone suitable for the role, please get in contact on the details below and I will send over the full role description, and the nomination form for you to complete. Provisional plans to hold an activity and interview day for potential applicants on Sunday 25th February, with a backup evening of Tuesday 27th February for those unavailable, and all applicants will be notified if they are successful on Wednesday 28th February.

Any questions, queries or nominations, please get in contact with me through email - victorialouise12@googlemail.com or via my Scouting Facebook - Victoria Lawton/@VictorialYC.

Happy #YouShape Month ^_^

Victoria

County Communications Manager (Online/Social Media)'s February 2018 Report

Hello!

Since launching the new County Website in late December last year, we've had over 35 people get in touch with us via the website!

The majority of these people are looking to sign up their children to groups – this goes to show that the new website is attracting members of the public to join.



If you've not already, please get in contact with us to arrange your group's page on the website, so that you don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to advertise your group.

Take note that the Isle of Wight Scouts (Members & Parents) Facebook group is to be moved to a new group for Appointed Adult Members. You'll hear more about this in the coming weeks. Parents and Helpers should give us a like on our public Facebook page to stay up to date.

Yours in Scouting,

James Cooper

Just to fill the page, here's some more Revolution Fun



1st Newport Scout Group (The Old Guard)

Illustrated talk on

'The Dawn of the Scout Movement'

By Colin Walker

Recognised as the leading Scout historian in Britain and incorporating images of 1st Newport from the 1920's, not seen for over 50 years



6.30pm, Saturday 24th March
1st Newport Scout Headquarters
(The Wendes Hall)
Woodbine Close
Off St John's Road, Newport



Licensed bar

Memorabilia

Museum open

All Welcome!

£2.50 entrance fee on the door