
Welcome to your eNews!

Welcome to this edition of eNews and as spring takes hold we find out how we can provide fresh and re-energised ways to provide active support.

eNews is designed to deliver the latest news to ADCs and ACCs but if you want your own copy email fellowship@scouts.org.uk and we will deliver it to your inbox.

The Big Adventure



The Big Adventure is all about encouraging parents and other adults connected with Groups to experience the fun of Scouting as an active part of the leadership team. It runs from the beginning of May until the end of August.

Fellowship members can actively support this initiative by offering their support to Groups planning their "Big Adventure". The event creates opportunities for Fellowship Members to offer support in both the planning and as part of the adventure itself.

Further information on The Big Adventure can be viewed at :

www.scouts.org.uk/thebigadventure

If your Fellowship has helped with the "Big Adventure" initiative this year we'd be thrilled to hear about it.

Dateline

A summary of events that may be of interest to Fellowship members. These events are not planned by the National Support Team and are included purely for information.

Gilwell Reunion – *Gilwell Park, Chingford*
4–6 September 2009

If your event is open to other Fellowship members and you would like to publicise it here please email the details to fellowship@scouts.org.uk

The Adult Support Office

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Fellowship Review

The Regional Advice and Support Days (RDAs) days are now complete and we are grateful for both the positive and constructive feedback that has come back from Fellowship members around the country on the review process.. It has confirmed that we are on the right track.



Over the next few months we will be asking both Fellowship and Network members their views on the work we have done and a team will be recruited to begin preparing the launch towards the end of the year..

Gilwell Reunion

Reunion this year is happening from 4th-6th September. The programme is undergoing a revamp, with renewed emphasis being put on providing support to adults volunteering in Scouting. It's still being organised, but a sneak peak tells us that workshops will include subjects such as fundraising, marketing Scouting locally, and researching your Group history. There will be a chance to try Gilwell activities such as climbing and the 3G Swing and, as usual, bases will be providing an interesting variety. Bases will run on the Saturday only, from 10am-4pm, and will be in one of 3 categories: Programme; Scout Commercial/Promotional; non-Scout Commercial/Promotional.

The booking system (for bases and participants) is not yet open. When it is available it will be accessed at www.scouts.org.uk/reunion. As in the previous few years you must book in advance in order to attend.



Members website

Over the coming months the Scout Association is moving towards a single, unified website to replace Scoutbase and Scouts.org.uk The new website, can be viewed at :

<https://members.scouts.org.uk/beta>

The site also integrates the membership database which Fellowship members can use to update their personal details to ensure that they are receiving *Scouting* magazine and the *Focus* supplement, both of which contain articles about the Fellowship.

To access the new website, you will initially need to register, a simple process which can be done my clicking on "Register" in the top right of :

www.scouts.org.uk

or by calling the information centre on 0845 300 1818.

Coming up in Scouting

As managers of the Fellowship it may be of interest to know what areas will be covered in the future Fellowship articles in *Scouting* magazine in order to be aware of any questions that may be asked at a local level.

Edition

June/July

National Fellowships,
focusing on International

When a young person reaches the

Options at 18+

age of 18, they have a number of options available to them:

- Leadership
- Scout Network
- Scout Fellowship
- Campfire Circle

or any combination of these. To help the person make an informed choice about these options a leaflet has been produced explaining the various options at 18+. It can be found at :

www.scoutbase.org.uk/support/resources/index



What's your story?

Over the past year the Support Team has met many Fellowship members providing outstanding active support to their local Scout Groups, Districts and Counties.



Are you a member of a group who is providing active support? Do you know of just such a Group? If so we'd be thrilled to hear from you, please email us with your information to fellowship@scouts.org.uk including pictures, if possible.

eNews Updates

In addition to eNews for Fellowship, which comes out in January, April, July and October other areas of Scouting produce eNews which Fellowship members may find useful in offering active support to other areas of Scouting.

Other eNews publications include:

- Beaver Scouts
- Cub Scouts
- Scouts
- Explorer Scouts
- Scout Network
- Activities
- Global

Past copies of these can be found at :

<http://scoutbase.org.uk/6to25/ppoints/index.htm>

Whilst past copies of Adult Training can be found at

<http://scoutbase.org.uk/support/training/>

Fellowship Launch Team

Over the past three years, Glenn Walker the UK Adviser (Scout Fellowship), has been leading the Scout Fellowship Review Project. This has been the most detailed investigation into Scout Fellowship activities for 30 years.

As a result of the review, the Scout Fellowship Review Team want to ensure that Fellowship is more closely integrated with the wider adult leadership, and that Groups, Districts, Counties and Regions (Scotland) can best support the Scout Fellowship to help them to provide valuable support to Scouting.

The ideal candidate for a role within the launch team does not necessarily need a background in Scout Fellowship, although an understanding of Scouting would be beneficial.

If you would like more information about what it is involved either telephone 020 8433 7129 or email laura.spafford@scout.org.uk

And finally

Thank you for reading this edition of the Scout Fellowship eNews. If you have any ideas that you feel would make future issues even more helpful, please let us know.

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