

Leader Bulletin 1

Occasional news and snippets specifically for the leader team supporting Project Africa 2024

May 2023

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This first *Leader Bulletin* provides a summary of the recent *Leader Briefing* held 30 April. It should serve as a reminder for those at the briefing and also update all the leader team.

Leader Briefing – 30 April

The briefing started with an introduction to the day, an update on the LGBTQ+ issue, and a *Who's Who* session.

The importance of continuing to plan apace was explained, especially the planning of the first *Leader/Participant Day*.



Change of country

The plan to change country has now been stepped up and a period of six weeks has been set to try and find an appropriate and safe alternative African country.

The first-choice country is Botswana and at this time three leads are being explored. It was emphasised there are many issues to consider in a very short time frame.

Teams

Leaders at the briefing moved around to meet the various team leads to confirm which team they can best support with their skills and experience.

If possible, all leaders should be placed with a team by 14 May. Team leads are now making approaches to confirm places on their team. Those leaders not at the briefing are encouraged to make contact with team leads to make sure they don't fall below the radar!



Team leads:

Project Manager: Simon Pickett Programme (event): Sarah Barrow Programme (join-in): Sarah Dunnett Programme (training): Richard Rudman Logistics: Phill Wood Finance: Tony Phillips Safety/Welfare: Ian May Comms: Mick Stocks Support Services: Liz Jenkin Fundraising: vacant

If leaders are not sure how to contact a particular team lead, or would like to discuss options, please make contact with the Project Manager.

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Leader/Participant Day – 14 May

All leaders should have received a direct notice and link to register for the Leader/Participant Day. Every effort should be made to attend the day. <u>Please be sure to</u> <u>register</u> so we know who is available to support the event.

The venue is Garth Hill College, Bull Lane, Bracknell RG42 2AD. The leader team should arrive at 09.00 hours to help set up and to be allocated to a role (if not already allocated).



Participants will arrive at 10.00 hours with a programme running through to 16.00 hours. The main objective of the day is for leaders and participants to get to know each other through fun activities.

Parents will arrive at 15.00 hours for a briefing which will bring everyone up-to-date with progress of plans for *Project Africa* 2024.

Note: please bring a packed lunch. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Youth Shaped

It's really key that our younger leaders (18– 25) play a genuine part in the organizing and delivery of Project Africa 2024. Each team (see above) should make every effort to engage younger leaders in their team. Younger leaders should also engage in this process by making themselves available.

Dragon Boat Regatta – 2 July

Teams from large events in the past (eg: Project Africa, Alps22, and Jamboree Units) have taken on the catering at Dragon Boat Regattas to provide a service and raise funds for their event.

This is a full-on day cooking burgers and hot dogs, etc, as well as providing drinks to participants and supporters. A good number of leaders and participants are required to make sure we can staff this service in shifts.

Phill Wood is the lead for this service.

Project Africa 2024 – objectives

It is important that all leaders embrace the five objectives in their part of the planning of Project Africa 2024. <u>Click here to see the objectives.</u>



Useful links

Project Africa 2024 web page

Project Africa 2024 Facebook page (public)

<u>Project Africa 2024 Facebook page (group)</u> (Leaders, participants, parents and relatives)

Project Africa Programme Facebook page (GAP resources, PA Challenge Badge)

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