# Programme Team



# Update for Group Scout Leaders (Jan 22)

Please access the Youth Programme page on the website for more: <u>www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/youth-programme</u>

# Programme initiatives for 2022

## **Promise To The Planet**

This global campaign, reaching over 50 million Scouts worldwide, has garnered interest at COP26 as Bear Grylls demanded a halt to climate change by insisting young people are the change makers at a local level. To do our bit for the planet, Cheshire Scouts pledge that every Group will have taken local climate action by 2023. To help, we have produced loads of recources online for leaders to use. Please check it all out on the web page and start planning that "green" programme content!

Call to action:

Set a goal for each section to achieve by the end of 2022

Resource:

www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/pttp

# Beavers 35th Birthday

Beaver Scouts are in their 35th year in 2021/2! Until the Easter holidays in April 2022, we are giving colonies in Cheshire the chance to join us in celebrating the 35th year of Beaver Scouts. To kick off the birthday celebrations, we are offering Beavers and leaders the chance to take part in completing 35 challenges over the next seven months.

Call to action:

Promote the initiative to Beaver Colonies

Resource:

www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/beavers35

#### Peer Leadership Training

A collaboration is ongoing between Scout ADCs and the ACC Scouts, Charly O'Brien. This is to assess what's currently happening within districts with regards to PL and APL training. We would like to know whether there are some really successful examples of peer leadership training amongst Cheshire groups and whether there is scope to either run County training or to link successful examples with those who would welcome some collaborative support.

Call to action:

Come forward with peer leadership ideas (if appropriate)

**Resource:** 

Contact: charly.obrien@cheshirescouts.org.uk

#### Chambonauts Programme

Chamboree will blast off in the summer of 2022!

To celebrate the lead up to the event, Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers have the opportunity to take part in space-themed activities throughout their Winter, Spring and Summer programmes. All activities are of an "in-a-box" style with everything downloadable and given online. The activities are linkked to badgework too.

Call to action:

Promote and encourage the programme within the Group

Resource:

www.chamboree.org.uk/chambonauts

#### Explorer Belt 2023

In August 2023, Cheshire Scouts are launching an Explorer Belt expedition to youth members aged 16-25. The destination is: Maastricht (including Netherlands, Belgium and Germany). This is the largest and most ambitious international project of its kind to have happened in Cheshire for a long time. Participants will have the opportunity to travel for ten days on their own accord, planning their own route, accommodation, meals and budget. It's a really exciting project and we're looking forward to it develop!

Call to action:
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Encourage young people (16-25 in August 2023) to apply

Resource:

www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/explorerbelt

#### **BTEC Programme**

Cheshire Scouts were at the forefront of a national pilot in 2020. This was to test how well external awards worked against the backdrop of the Explorer programme. This resulted in nearly 19 young people in Cheshire being awarded with a BTEC Level 2 Award in Teamwork & Personal Development in the Community. Their work was online and run in conjunction with our formal partner, CVQO. They are a vocational qualifications organisation. We are looking to run another programme in 2022.

Call to action:

Keep an eye on our BTEC Hub. No action at Group level.

**Resource:** 

www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/btec

### **New! Squirrels Commissioner**

Cheshire Scouts are looking for a new Assistant County Commissioner for Squirrel Scouts. Applications are now open. The Squirrels Commissioner will come on board the County Programme Team to work with other ACCs. They will oversee the effectiveness of the Squirell Scout provision already existing in Cheshire, whilst at the same time continuing the strong rollout of new Squirrel dreys.

 Call to action:
 Encourage adult volunteers to apply

 Resource:
 www.cheshirescouts.org.uk/vacancies