District Youth Lead Volunteer Report 2024/2025

Charlie’s Report

Good evening, all

I must say that for those of you that have not noticed he not being quite he not there I am will not be at this year AGM as it is my scout night with like most sections and groups around the county, we are short on leaders with many kids and with us being puddle pirates my permits are needed.

This year has been very district and county event heavy as well as doing my work with my group at 1 st Blofield and Brundall, all thou I have manged to get to most if not all events this year I am sorry to most of the groups in district that I have not manged to get to but it is on my list to get them this year if I can get some time away from group

But I do have plans for later this year to get around all the ESU sections, more to come soon!!

***Bewilderwood***

I have been to the county day at Bewildwood helping the 45th beavers and squirrels. They all had a great day; I can’t deny that I became a beaver for the day and ended up on most of the rides with them.

Then I was at Norfolk 24 helping on the water, another great event for all the ESUS that came out of Eastern Norwich, and an event that will be missed this year, I am sure.

***Young leader training***

I am also still helping with the young leader multi-module weekend. We have done 2 since the last AGM, and both were packed, one at Eaton Vale, and one at the 15th Norwich, with many of them now getting belts and many more on the way soon.

***Explorer Camp***

We have also done the first district Explorer camp in January which was help at Eaton vale and that was enjoyed by all that attend the weekend doing many of the activities that Eaton vale provide and also running some of our own, like a mock BPA style activity on the Sunday morning which was very good practice for those that then attend BPA the following month.

***BPA*** this year was right out in what I would call this sticks or to other Sandringham Estates 1 team for Eastern Norwich went in and they came 4th massive well done to them in what was something like the 4 seasons all in one night all bar one season which was the heat we had snow rain fog all in the space of 12 hours I helped on one of the zones running the activities for the explorers going round and bar the lack of sleep it was a great night.

***Cub daylark*** this year was also another great event attended by many cubs from all over the district, and it was a lovely day to sit in the sun in the park, and a great day was had by all.

I have also been to Pleasurewood Hills for the county day that was attended by just under 2000 young people, and they all had a great day and most got a little bit sunburnt as well.

***District shooting comp***

We have just had the district shooting comp, which was a great day for all the scouts and explorers that came, and again, most got sunburnt. Massive well done to all the teams and the winners at 1st B & B.

I have also been to the county water weekend at Decoy Broad. All scouts and explorers from all over the county came and all went on the water and most got wet, very wet, but not from the rain because there wasn’t any, thank God.

We are also now on the doorstep of our district scout camp, but I can't comment because I am writing the report before the event, but it will be next year, don’t worry.

I don’t have many plans for the next year, and hopefully I will be around to most sections soon.

Charlie

Joseph’s Report

Bewilderwood

I attended the County Day at Bewilderwood on the 8th September 2024 which was for Squirrels and Beavers, I may not have gone as district for the day as I was with my group 17th Beavers but from when walking around and waiting the for the Beavers to finish with an activity there I could see that not only did they enjoy it but everyone else that attended.

Young Leader Training

I have also been helping out at the Multi-Module Weekend’s where we get scouts/ Explorers who are keen to get their young leader belt by completing Modules A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, & K and then helping them understand what they can do to complete their missions which they have 4 to complete to be able to achieve the certificate saying that they have completed the training along with their belt.

The last one that I attended was held from the 28th of March to the 30th of March, where we covered Modules A, B, C, D, and G. And they got to Air Rifles as an activity to allow them to have a break from doing the modules.

Pleasurewood Hills

I also attended the County Takeover Day at Pleasurewood Hills, where again I didn’t go as district, I was there with my group, where they came over on a coach that was provided by the district, which saved the parents a long journey. Which then helped with the planning of the car park by the County. Overall, it was a good day; everyone from my group enjoyed it even though they didn’t get to go on Wipeout due to an issue with the ride, but on the coach ride back they all looked tired until they had to be collected by parents at the drop-off point, which was at my group’s Car Park. I am sure I could say the same thing for the people on the 2nd coach, which went to GLP’s car park.

District Shooting Competition

I then attended the District Shooting Competition where I was on car park duty for the morning of the event, with the help of my brother, but we had a system which worked for the event. I was then on spinners for the day, which are the hardest targets to hit as they are small squares, but everyone who had a go at them either hit them or nearly hit them. Then there was a mini competition at the end to see who out of the scouts and Explorers would win, but then after that, the results were announced.

35th’s AGM

I then attended the 35th AGM, which was on the 7th of June at their HQ, where I met new leaders who had recently joined, and then the sections did a presentation for all who attended, and they then held a barbecue, where there were burgers, I might have had 3 that morning along with some of the biscuits there. Along with a campfire.

Future Events

I will be attending the district Scout camp to be held at Decoy Broad Campsite from 20th June to 22nd June, but I will write on this more on my next report. but what I will say is the Birthday hat has been ordered ready to be on camp for someone's birthday, the day after camp.