



1st Fressingfield Scout Group Autumn 2022 newsletter

Dear Parents and families

I hope that you have had a great half term break as we now head towards Christmas with alarming speed I thought it would be a good time to update you on what is happening at 1st Fressingfield Scout Group.

We have seen a steady rise in membership both in young people and also in the number of adults wanting to contribute something back to the community. We are at a point where our younger sections are filling up and we are operating some waiting lists – so more adults are always welcome. You won't regret it 😊

Yours in Scouting

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(Andrew Aalders-Dunthorne)

Welcome to our new leaders:

I am delighted to report that we are welcoming a number of new adult volunteer leaders to the team this term. As our youth numbers increase we need more adults that can positively contribute to scouting here at 1st Fressingfield. Welcome to the team:

Christine Dinnage, Larissa Clark and Amy Pears as Assistant Squirrel Scout Leaders
Will Nixon, Karen Hunt and Holly Dunn joining as Assistant Beaver Scout Leaders
Elliot Hopkinson as Assistant Cub Scout Leader
Revd Clive Mobbs as the Group Chaplain

WANTED:

A supporter to join our Executive Committee as Secretary. Whilst this has traditionally come from our parent body, the role can be fulfilled by anyone with an interest in our Group – a grandparent, a community member, family member or a friend.

It could be someone who is seeking something additional to add to their admin experience for an apprenticeship or extending their CV.

It could be someone with previous community experience of taking meeting minutes

It could be someone who has recently joined the local community who would like to make new friends and get involved in an active group, or a long standing resident who wants to stay active in the vicinity.

If you know of anyone who would be interested in supporting the group, or indeed if you are interested yourself; please do get in touch with Dawn (Executive Chairperson) for more information, dawn@dawncj.co.uk

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Visit our website at: <https://www.1stfressingfieldscouts.org.uk/>



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1st Fressingfield Scout Group weekly Lottery with a £25,000 weekly prize:

We have partnered with One Lottery, who will run it on our behalf. This means that there will be 2 weekly draws, one specific to our group and one across all the charities who are running a lottery, with a £25,000 weekly jackpot prize.



Tickets are £1 each and 50p will go to 1st Fressingfield scouts. The rest goes to the prizes and tax, with only 16p going to One Lottery themselves.

Why don't you give it a try? Sign up for tickets now.

[Click here to buy a ticket](#)

HQ Action Day:

The HQ Management Committee continue to work on a number of exciting projects that will further enhance our excellent facilities. On Saturday 19th November we will be running an action day at the HQ site. There will be lots of indoor and outdoor tasks to complete. There will be something for everyone and the action day will run between 9am and 3pm. Come along for the day or a few hours and bring along any tools and equipment that you think would be useful. Tasks for the day include:

- **Planting additional tree saplings;**
- **Treating the picnic benches;**
- **Installing fencing and digging over the allotment area;**
- **Stone and litter picking**
- **Deep clean of the kitchen;**
- **Cleaning and tidying of storerooms**

GANG SHOW:

We are very excited to announce that after a few years gap, we will once again be celebrating the end of term and Christmas with our renowned Gang Show on Friday 9th December.

This year's venue is Hoxne Village Hall, with excellent facilities for a great evening out. The evening will feature a cash bar, seasonal refreshments, grand Christmas Draw, Christmas Market (we are looking for stall holders) and not to mention '**THE SHOW**'!

The Panto this year performed by the Explorer Unit is a take on – Aladdin. We other sections putting on a range of performances to entertain. There will be limited seats available and we will be announcing how you can secure your ticket soon.

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Santa Run 2022

Saturday 17th December 2022

Run/walk/stroll starts at 11am

2.5km or 5km (approximate) course



1st Fressingfield Scout Group invites you to our second annual Santa fun run on Saturday the 17th December 2022, starting at 11am from the Scout HQ on Priory Road. Dress up (Santa or any festive character), come along and be part of the spectacle ☺ Admission is £10 per person (under 5s no charge), please also try to raise additional funds for our fabulous Scout Group by securing sponsors from your friends and family. (Registration and sponsor forms available on our website).

Important information:

- Please aim to arrive (on foot/by bike) where possible, at the start point by 1045.
- If you are driving, there is limited parking at the following sites around the village: at the Scout HQ and Weybread Woodcraft (Priory Road), Baptist Chapel and Primary School (School Lane) the surgery (New Street) and the Sports and Social Club (Laxfield Road).
Awaiting permission confirmations on some sites, updates will be notified.
- There will be refreshments on sale at the Scout
- First Aid is available at the Scout HQ and by our caring marshals on the route.
- Please ensure that you are fit and well to attend, please observe any covid-19 requirements in place.
- Toilets are available at the Scout HQ and at the Sports and Social Club.
- When travelling around the course, please be aware that there are no traffic restrictions and it is essential that you follow the directions of our marshals, travel safely and ensure that children are supervised. No dogs are permitted (sorry).
- The route is on the attached plan, you can either complete one circuit (2.5km) or two circuits (5km), distances are approximate and the route should be clear of Santas by 11am.
- While in Fressingfield please also take advantage of our community facilities where a warm welcome and refreshments can be found after your fun run, at the Sports and Social Club, Mace General Stores, The Fox and Goose and the Swan Inn.
- Further information from Andrew at andrew.aaldersdunthorne@talk21.com

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Scout Group dates for your diary

(Please refer to individual section programmes for even more events)

13 th Nov:	Remembrance Sunday Service and Parade at Fressingfield Church services and wreath laying at Hoxne and Laxfield
19 th Nov:	(9am-3pm) HQ Action Day
19 th Nov:	(Eve) Bingo night in aid of Fressingfield Explorers Kenya Expedition
23 rd Nov:	Cubs Tubing evening
9 th Dec:	(eve) Gang Show (all sections)
17 th Dec:	(11am) Santa fun run

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14 th Jan:	(Eve) Beat Blue Monday dinner and auction in aid of Explorers Kenya Exped
10-12 th Feb:	Leadership Development weekend
01-16 th April:	Kenyan Expedition
26-28 th May:	Group Camp at Eaton Vale
22-29 th July:	Senior Sections summer camp

Contact Andrew Aalders-Dunthorne, Andrew.aaldersdunthorne@talk21.com
To **JOIN** the Leadership Team of the **BEST** Scout Group