

**International Opportunities in 2023!**

Northumberland Scouts are looking for adult leaders for two exciting opportunities for international scouting in 2023:

* 25th World Scout Jamboree
* County Explorer Belt Expedition

**Please note:**

**\*You should be 18 by 1st January 2022 to apply for these roles\***

**\*You do not have to be an Explorer Leader to apply\***

**\*Substantial financial support is available to leaders to attend either trip\***

**25th World Scout Jamboree, South Korea, July/August 2023**

**What is the World Scout Jamboree?**

The World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) is a World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) event, attended by tens of thousands of Scouts aged 14 to 17 from around the world. Jamborees are held every four years, in a different country each time.

Find out more here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kftzVkGBAjQ>

**What is the UK Contingent?**

There is one ‘Contingent’ that attends the Jamboree from the UK and this is called the ‘UK Contingent’. The contingent is made up of a number of ‘Units’ of 36 young people and 4 adult volunteers. Northumberland Scouts will be sending one unit to the Jamboree. Young people will be able to apply to be part of the unit later this year.

Find out more here: <https://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteers/running-your-section/international-scouts-and-events/international-events/wsj/>

**Positions available:** Unit Leader

Deputy Unit Leader

Assistant Unit Leader x2

**Dates:**

The Jamboree itself will take place from 1st – 12th August 2023. There will also be a pre and/or post event. The expected time away is approx. 3 weeks

**Brief Outline of Commitments (see specific Role Descriptions for further details):**

* Selection of 36 young people from the county to attend the Jamboree – this will involve advertising the event, reviewing applications and running a selection event
* Plan and run at least four residential weekends for the unit prior to the Jamboree, and one weekend after the Jamboree
* For previous Jamborees there have been three additional weekends away for adult leaders run by the UK Contingent Management Team. The number and format of these meetings is yet to be confirmed but at least two of the leadership team will be expected to attend each event
* Facilitate regular communication/meetings with young people and parents
* Support fundraising opportunities and grant applications for young people

**Training:**

Exact requirements to be confirmed, but will include a Nights Away Permit for each leader.

Other training may include Advanced First Aid, Mental Health First Aid, Food Hygiene etc. Training

does not need to be completed for you to apply!

**How to find out more:**

The UK Contingent Management Team is hosting a webinar on ‘Becoming a Unit Leader’ for anyone interested in applying on **Tuesday 13th July, 7.30pm**

Register here: <https://www.scouts.org.uk/events/2021/world-scout-jamboree-webinars/?dm_i=31ME,15PVM,3D75FB,4GWYQ,1>

You can also email Karen Smith, Assistant County Commissioner (International) – karen.smith@northumberlandscouts.org.uk – with any questions regarding leader recruitment

**How to apply:**

Complete application form below and return to karen.smith@northumberlandscouts.org.uk by **30th July 2021 at 11.59pm**.

A Selection Event is planned for **11th September 2021, venue to be confirmed.** If you would require any specific support to attend the selection day, please let Karen know on email above.

**Explorer Belt, Poland, July/August 2023**

**What is the Explorer Belt?**

The Explorer Belt is a challenge of a lifetime for explorers between the ages of 16 and 18 and the Network section. It is a chance to take part in a ten day expedition that brings a real understanding of a different country, its culture and way of life.

Explorers undertake a 10-day expedition as part of a team outside of the UK with a minimum travelling time of 50 hours over the 10 days on foot.

If aged 16–18 years old, young people may only participate in an organised expedition supported by an in-country leadership team, rather than being self-led for Network.

The use of public transport is acceptable as part of the travelling time, where opportunities to meet people would otherwise be missed.

**Dates:**

Exact dates to be confirmed. The expected time away is approx. 2 weeks.

**Who are we looking for?**

We are looking for a leadership team to work together to support our young people to prepare for the Expedition and gain the skills and competencies needed to achieve the award.

You will have to commit to meetings and training days/nights away help the young people develop their skills.

The team will be in regular contact with parents and young people.

While in Poland you will be supporting young people, supervising them remotely at times and meeting with them on a regular basis, making sure they are safe.

You will be involved in setting mini projects for them to do, some of which will be set once in Poland, to help them achieve their Explorer Belt goals.

We are looking for Leaders who have a range of skills to engage with our young people, you do not have to be an Explorer leader.

**How to find out more:**

Further information for the Explorer belt can be found on the Scout website, follow the link below.

<https://www.scouts.org.uk/top-awards/explorer-belt/> . For specific information regarding this trip please email david.dick@northumberlandscouts.org.uk

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**Application Form**

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| **Full Name** |  |
| **Date of Birth** |  |
| **Address** |  |
| **Contact number** |  |
| **Email address** |  |

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| **Scout Membership Number** |  |
| **Current Role(s)****(including Group/District)** |  |

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| **Which role(s) are you applying for? If more than one, please mark you preference with a \*** |
| **World Scout Jamboree** | **Unit Leader [ ]****Deputy Unit Leader [ ]****Assistant Unit Leader [ ]** |
| **Explorer Belt** | **Leader [ ]** |

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| **Please tell us why you are interested in applying for this role/roles (max. 500 words)** |
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| **Please provide details of relevant experience or skills that would make you an excellent candidate for this role/roles. This can include both professional and voluntary experience, and be from inside or outside of The Scouts (max. 500 words)** |
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| **What skills do you hope to develop in your time as a leader for an international trip and how would you use them in the future (max. 500 words)** |
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**Remember to return your application to** **karen.smith@northumberlandscouts.org.uk** **by 11.59pm on 30th July 2021.**