

## **Southern Norwich Explorer Scouts:**

**July 2020 - June 2021**

We have 5 Explorer Units in the District, attached to Groups:

Raiders – Saxlingham Nethergate

Emu – Mulbarton

Pythons – Earlham

Skavenger – Cringleford

Vermin – 1<sup>st</sup> Norwich

Due to the Lockdown, We have not been able to attend our usual Events as a District but we're keen to get back to this and have indeed planned the way forward including these in our Programme.

All the Units coped well with the changes and managed to find entertaining activities to do over Zoom, there were interesting debate challenges, cooking, quizzes & scavenger hunts to name a few.

Once we were able to get back to face-to-face meetings the Units settled into "Normal" programme activities again, the need for fire and cooking on them seemed to be very popular after missing it as part of a Group for so long.

### **GTS Challenge -**

The Explorers have not been able to plan the usual bi-monthly District event but moving forward it is in the Programme again and we're looking forward to new and exciting challenges.

### **Young Leader Module A Training Course -**

Module A was not permitted as it has to be a face-to-face training session. The next course is scheduled for 14th September and the new Young Leaders in the District have been invited along.

### **Pythons ESU -**

Pythons have been meeting at Earlham Scout HQ but will be moving to the newly refurbished site of 33rd Norwich, at Jessopp Rd, as from the start of this new term.

Southern Norwich has a fantastic team of Explorer Leaders and they've done a brilliant job of keeping up the enthusiasm over the difficult year. We are in need of additional Leaders too, so if anyone would like to become part of the Team then don't hesitate to get in touch.

Massive thanks to the Team for all their hard work and for sticking with it, I'm sure everyone is looking forward to getting back to some normality and getting away to Events soon again too.

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