

Youth Service Newsletter

Winter 2020



IT'S ALL ABOUT YOUTH



HBN at Dave's Delicious Dogs



Hello all

Welcome to another term and another year ahead filled with the fun, happy and challenging experiences. As you will see below there are lots of activities and new ideas being created, from Mince Pies in Peel to the 'worry monster' in Castletown, always great to see.

Looking ahead there will be 3 island wide events, we are reviewing the wi-fi access in our main youth centers and looking at new opportunities to work within schools and the communities. One potential opportunity is an inter club football event in partnership with the police.

As always keep smiling and talk to us if your experiencing any issues or have ideas of an interesting overseas residential, or even a trip to the Calf of Man, together we can make it happen. Remember young people are the driving force of our future, and if ideas are created then we should aim to help achieve them.

Have a great term

Nigel

AROUND THE ISLAND

Staff Conference 2019

HBN again hosted our annual conference. The evening was great opportunity to share all the fantastic work the youth service does and hear about new services such as KOOTH, an online counselling for young people. We also have a Boxfit taster session from MSR who outlined all the fitness opportunities for DESC staff.



Awards were given to Foxdale, Kenyons and Jurby Youth Clubs and HBN Holiday Club

Millie, Kara and Suzie were recognised for their work at ESC



Boxfit session with MSR



Summer Holiday Clubs

A big well done and thanks to all the workers who provided opportunities for their members over the summer with Holiday Schemes.

We had 8 clubs with almost 2000 contacts offering:

- Trips out around the Island including- Wallaby hunting, Ape-man, Lazer Mayhem, Train and tram trips
- Fun and Games on site - Crafts, Sports, Competitions
- Learning new skills and experiences- Den building, Wreck hunting, Farm visit

How would you rate your experience on the scheme - **10/10!**

Would you want to come back next year – **Yes, Definitely!**



Castletown have created a worry monster whereby YP can write down their worries and let the monster 'eat them away'

They have also raised over £110 for the Australian Bush fire Relief so big thanks to Chris, Cath and Catreena.



Peel Youth Club fed Christmas light goers with mince pies and mulled wine (non-alcoholic) at the towns annual Christmas lights switch on. Some of the members have also been out delivering treats to residents.



Foxdale raised £240 by recycling cans with support of Costains and the Baltic pub with support from Parents of Foxdale Youth Club and Pinewood. The club plan to buy a new pool table with the money.



The Youth Service has welcomed many new starters over the last 6 months, several attended our new termly Intro to Youth Work session. It's fantastic we are recruiting such great people to work across our clubs and projects.



During the winter months, training is the priority for DofE. Ensuring that adult volunteers' qualifications and accreditations are up to date, together with recruiting new assessors and supervisors.

Numbers during the last 12 months:

- **Entrants = 342** of which Bronze = 208, Silver = 100, Gold = 34
- **Gained = 150** of which Bronze – 98, Silver = 28, Gold = 24

Staff training:

- **Expedition Assessor Accreditation Scheme** – 7 attended
- **16 hour Outdoor First Aid qualification** – 26 have completed, and a further 13 are signed up to the next course in February

Dates for the diary:

- Bronze and Silver Awards' Presentation at the Gaiety will be on Tuesday 15 September this year
- Gold badge presentation at Government House will be on Thursday 9 July
- Expedition season opens on Saturday 28 March and closes Sunday 1 November 2020

 **FINAL DEADLINE**

All DBS certificates need to be presented to the youth office by **14th February**. If you have your certificate you still need to show it to continue to work. Any problems please contact your Youth Officer ASAP.



Here is a photo of Chris Thomas MHK, taken with Lee Dale and 3 members of the **Pulrose Youth Club** at the Pulrose Christmas Fayre.



Wet and Wild 2020
will be **25th April**
