



22<sup>ND</sup> WORLD SCOUT JAMBOREE SWEDEN 2011  
**UNITED KINGDOM**  
Greater London South East Contingent



Dear Scouts/Explorer Scouts (and Parents/Guardians),

The World Scout Jamboree is happening in 2011 and we would love for you to join us. Greater London South East County has spaces for 36 lucky individuals to take part in a once in a lifetime event.

### **The Experience of a lifetime**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> World Scout Jamboree will take place in Rinkaby, Sweden between the 27<sup>th</sup> July and the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2011. It will be the experience of a lifetime for all those lucky enough to be a part of it.

A World Scout Jamboree is an international camp of exceptional scale and significance. The Jamboree only happens once every 4 years and I can guarantee that all who share the experience will remember it for the rest of their lives.

It's bigger than the Olympics, both in terms of the number of participants, and also the number of countries represented. You'll live and take part in activities alongside Scouts from all over the world, making new friends for life, and experiencing different cultures you never even knew existed.

At the Jamboree the experience will begin with a pre-Jamboree experience. This will be a couple of days where all the Units from the Jamboree will get together to party before they arrive at the Jamboree itself. Then at the Jamboree site there will be an Opening Ceremony - a party like you've never been to before! Then you'll take part in loads of different activities for 7 or 8 days. The activities are a real mix of physical, social and educational, but definitely all fun! You'll also get the chance to go off site and see a bit of Sweden itself, meeting local Scouts to find out what their way of Scouting is like. After the Closing Ceremony you will spend 2 or 3 nights with a family on home hospitality. Don't worry; it won't be you on your own! You'll go with other people from your Unit and experience living with a family in a different country; they always make us very welcome!

### **How to get involved?**

**If you were born between 25 July 1993 and 27 July 1997 then you are eligible to apply to join the Jamboree Contingent. These are the requirements as specified by the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM), they are not determined by GLSE or the UK Contingent. As such they are not open to negotiation.**

If you would like to apply to be a member of the GLSE Jamboree Contingent, you and your parents/guardians will need to read the enclosed Frequently Asked Questions Sheet and complete the application/consent form to attend the County Selection Weekend.

### **The Selection weekend**

We will be selecting the contingent of 36 young people at a County Selection Weekend being held from 11am on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February to 12noon on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February at Cudham Campsite (lower field). All applicants will need to be available to attend this whole weekend.

The weekend will be a fun weekend of activities and a great opportunity for Scouts/Explorer Scouts to meet others from different troops/units across the county. As the contingent will be camping at the Jamboree itself in Sweden, the selection weekend will be an outdoor camping event. Tents will be provided by the organisers, applicants do not need to bring their own.

### **Your commitment**

The total cost to attendees of the Jamboree, including equipment, uniform, practise camps and events over the next 18 months will be £2,200.



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Please do not let the cost put you off. The event is designed to be open to as many people as possible and the fee to be raised through fundraising in the troop/unit, District and County.

Being part of a World Scout Jamboree will be great fun and will be a life changing experience but with that comes a level of responsibility and dedication from the young people selected.

We are looking for 27 Scouts/Explorer Scouts and 9 Guides who are up for the challenge to commit themselves to this 18 month adventure of fundraising, camps, team-building events and of course the experience of a life time over in Sweden.

### Queries and more information

The GLSE Jamboree Contingent Leaders are here to help you all the way to the Jamboree – below are some of the ways you can get in touch:

#### Web

The application pack and all information on the Jamboree is also available on the County website [www.glsescouts.org.uk/sweden](http://www.glsescouts.org.uk/sweden)

#### Email

[Sweden@glscouts.org.uk](mailto:Sweden@glscouts.org.uk)

#### Phone

Julia Poulter  
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We hope that having read the enclosed information, you wish to apply to join the GLSE Jamboree Contingent.

Please therefore complete the enclosed application form and return to the address provided by the 8<sup>th</sup> February deadline.

Yours in Scouting,

Julia Poulter  
GLSE Jamboree Contingent Leader



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