

Safety on the coast – Scouting Plus 27th May 2011

The Maritime and Coastguard Agency - MCA

The Maritime and Coastguard Agency wants everyone to be safe at sea and on the coast. They are delighted, therefore, to be joining forces with The Scout Association, to provide important coastal safety messages to our Scout Groups.



The MCA aims to ensure the safety of those who use the sea for work and for leisure. It also works to keep our seas clean by preventing pollution from shipping and organising the clean-up if accidents happen.

HM Coastguard is part of the MCA. The Coastguard co-ordinates search and rescue in the UK's seas and along its coast. It organises lifeboats, helicopters, coastguard rescue teams and other resources to search for and rescue anyone in trouble. (In emergencies at sea or along the coast, call 999 and ask for the coastguard).

Resource pack

The objective of this project is to show Scouts how to plan a safe day out at the coast and to tell them what to do in an emergency. To help you with this a new resource pack has been designed full of useful information, activities and a competition to run through with your Troop

You can now download some great leader's resources to help you.

Win up to £500 for your Troop by entering the MCA competition.

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DO YOU NEED ANY HELP ??



Sick of waiting for volunteers to “show up”? What to DO something about the poor volunteer numbers in Scouting?

There is an old saying – the definition of insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting a different result. Across the UK groups, districts and even counties are trying (and sometimes failing badly) using the same recruitment methods they were using 10, 20, even 100 years ago.

The County Development officer Matthew Black is actively seeking individual's across the county to take volunteer recruitment to the next level. We are especially interested in skills and experience with sales, marketing, account management, or event planning. We have active leads and a bold and innovative plan but need a few extra pairs of hands to make it a reality. So if you have any spare time you would like to use to grow scouting, please contact Matthew on LDO@glmwscouts.org.uk or call 0790 999 5999 to chat about how you might be able to help.

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