



August 2004

We've done it !!!

Despite all the technical difficulties and the exceptional weather we have had to deal with, Norfolk CVYS have re-located successfully into the NYCS Training Unit, Sprowston, Norwich, all up and running, all systems green. Hopefully this move has not caused any problems to you, our members and that our future development and on-going support will only improve. We now talk to each other across desks whereas previously communication was via post, telephone, fax and e.mail !!! As an indicator as to how we want to proceed, the Training Plan has been extended due to demand from our member for a wider range of training courses. Please note

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that we are still trying to provide a balance in venues across the county together with days of the week and start times to ensure that there will be a course venue, day and time to suit everyone. I would, however, ask that if you are considering training and apply for a place on a course that you actually do your best to attend. Generally speaking people are very good at giving us notice if they are not able to make it, thus giving us a chance to re-allocate the place and ensure the course runs with the maximum attendance. Your assistance in this area would help us considerably.

The development of a collaborative group involving NYCS, ourselves and voluntary organisations progresses, interviews are being undertaken with a substantial sample of our membership to ascertain training needs and what training they can provide. This will influence future planning and will help us to continue to meet your needs. In addition, this year bursaries are being awarded and the first tranche of applicants is currently being processed. Several applicants have come from the voluntary sector and we are hopeful that they can be supported.

If there is training that you need that is not being provided either by ourselves or NYCS, then please ring the Norfolk CVYS office and have a discussion with the team to see if we can help.

Hopefully your batteries are now fully re-charged following any summer break you may have been fortunate enough to have had and that you are looking forward to getting back in touch with your young people during the coming months. Do not forget that we are here to support you in your youth work, and if we can help please let us know.

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MiDAS (Minibus Driver Assessment Scheme)

The next course is planned for **27/28 November 2004** and will be based at the NYCS Training Unit, School Lane, Sprowston, Norwich.

The course includes a session on various aspects of driving a minibus including vehicle checks, the law as it pertains to minibuses and those driving them etc. and an assessed drive.

The cost of the course is £20 which is subsidised for Norfolk CVYS member organisations by 50%

To register interest in this course, contact Norfolk CVYS on Tel: **01603 423995** or via e.mail on info@norfolkcvys.org.uk and further details and an application form will be sent to you.

Training /Events Diary

Enclosed is the Event and Training Diary for the period **September to December 2004**. For any further information on any of the courses / events please contact the Norfolk CVYS office on Tel: **01603 423995** or e.mail info@norfolkcvys.org.uk

Anglia Polytechnic University

Information has been received from Anglia Polytechnic University, East Road, Cambridge, about their new Foundation Degree 'Working with Young People'. Successful completion of this course will enable students to claim JNC status.

For further information and/or a prospectus contact either Norfolk CVYS (01603 423995 or e.mail info@norfolkcvys.org.uk) OR **Maureen Buchanan**, Pathway Leader, Working with Young People Foundation Degree by telephone on **01223 363271, ext. 2558** or e.mail m.buchanan@apu.ac.uk

The National Youth Agency

Issue 21, July 2004 of the National Youth Agency Spotlight is available at the Norfolk CVYS office. The subject for this issue is **'Fit for work ? Fit for society? Fit for life? Is the Government serious about young people's life skills? Sorting out the 14-19 curriculum.'**

In its reform of the 14-19 curriculum, the Government has the ideal opportunity to meet the needs of young people, employers and society, by acknowledging the fundamental contribution of 'wider activities' to their personal and social development. The National Youth Agency believes that the inclusion of wider activities in the core curriculum would make a fundamental difference to the achievement of the many young people who currently underachieve in the formal education system and who have opted out or become marginalised from learning.

If you would like a copy of this 'Spotlight' issue, contact us on **01603 423995** or e.mail to info@norfolkcvys.org.uk

Methodist Association of Youth Clubs (MAYC)

Robert Wells, Regional Training & Development Officer (East Anglia) for MAYC has, for the past 17 years, been a keen supporter of Norfolk CVYS and a former member of the Management Committee. Robert, who retires at the end of August 2004 has provided a vital link between Church youth groups and Norfolk CVYS ensuring that funding and information reached grass roots youth work in local communities.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish him well in his retirement.

James Kearns
Chairman, Norfolk CVYS

*Correspondence for MAYC may still be sent the current address at Chapel Field Road although it will henceforth be known as **District Office, The Methodist Church, Chapel Field Road, Norwich, NR2 1SD. Telephone number is the same, 01603 625765.** Regional Training and Development will no longer be associated directly with this office, but it will serve as a general admin and communications centre.*



The Prince's Trust helps young people to overcome barriers and get their lives working. It gives young people a chance in life.

Through practical support including training, mentoring and financial assistance, it helps 14-30 year-olds to realise their potential and transform their lives.

The Trust focuses its efforts on young people who struggle at school, are in or leaving care, are long-term unemployed or have been in trouble with the law.

More than 600,000 16-24 year-olds are not in education, training or employment and a further 579,000 are claiming unemployment benefit - that is nearly 20% of the age group; (from **Labour Market Trends, July 2003**)

Our own research shows 41% of all disadvantaged young people claim they are held back by a lack of qualifications; (from **The Prince's Trust "Breaking Barriers" Report, August 2003**)

Since the charity was founded by HRH The Prince of Wales in 1976, it has helped nearly half a million young people.

Through our work we aim to combat:

- social exclusion and unemployment;
- youth crime and anti-social behaviour;
- educational underachievement and low basic skills, and
- disengagement and truancy.

Through our work we aim to promote:

- citizenship and respect
- financial independence and practical skills
- self esteem and motivation
- community regeneration

The Prince's Trust has national reach, delivering practical solutions at a local level. We are committed to quality, we enable young people to overcome barriers and we are enterprising in our approach.

Our work

How we help the hardest to reach young people

The Prince's Trust supports young people in a number of ways:

- Low interest loans, grants and support to enable 18-30 year olds to start their own businesses. Most are unemployed and have been refused funding by other sources.
- Cash awards of £50-£500 combined with advice and support to enable access to education, training and work.
- Cash awards for groups of young people to design and deliver projects that address community issues up to £10,000.
- A 12-week personal development course called Team, enabling 16-25 year olds - the majority unemployed - to develop their confidence, motivation and skills through teamwork in the community. In addition to generic Team programmes in Norfolk, we also run 'themed' teams, based on themes such as construction and the performing arts.
Ex-offenders, offenders and care-leavers are recruited onto the course, helping to support these two target groups. We utilise the practical support of 50 Premier and Football League Clubs across the UK, to recruit and retain young people on our 12-week personal development programme. We deliver the course through partnership with colleges and the fire service among others.
- 2 - 3 week opportunities for young people to work or take part in a community project or work experience in Europe.
- Piloting new ways of reaching the "hardest to reach" 14-25-year olds as part of our partnership with The Royal Bank of Scotland Group.

Spotlight on The Prince's Trust continued.....



In addition we offer specialist help for our key target groups in the following ways:

- **xl clubs** – A team-based programme of personal development based in schools for pupils 'at risk' of truanting and under-achievement. Clubs improve attendance, motivation and social skills.

Currently we have over 700 xl clubs currently operating in schools throughout the UK for young people aged 14-16. This year we are helping approximately 9,000 young people.

- **Pilots in prisons** – The Prince's Trust is piloting personal development courses in prison for those still serving their sentences, as preparation for release.

Her Majesty's Prison and Youth Offenders Institution in Reading have led the way and we are looking to expand the pilot to other prisons. We also run "Taster Days" in prisons to inform young people of the opportunities available through The Prince's Trust. The Prison Service has given The Prince's Trust Taster course in prisons 'Preferred Provider Status' through their 'Custody to Work' scheme.

- **Leaving Care Initiative** - We work with over 40 organisations in the UK, providing personal volunteer mentors to support and advise young people who are leaving care or have left care.

Last year we provided mentoring and ongoing support for 293 careleavers.

A personal volunteer mentor provides support and advice. The mentors can help young people access relevant Trust programmes as well as give them the opportunity to learn new skills, knowledge and access to services that will help the young care leaver make the transition to adult life and independent living.

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Further information about The Prince's Trust is available on 0800 842 842 or at www.princes-trust.org.uk.

or call The Prince's Trust Norfolk Office on **01603 621328**

Animate Project – Appointment of Manager

Enclosed is information relating to the proposed appointment of a Manager to continue developing a the 'Animate Project' a self assessment programme.

Closing date for receipt of expressions of interest is **17 September 2004** with a selection process in the form of an interview taking place on **22 September 2004**.

Contact: Mike Tingley, Norfolk CVYS Development Worker.

Millennium Volunteers

I expect you have heard of Millennium Volunteers [MV] and may already be involved in this national volunteering scheme for 16-24 year olds. Many young people are getting national recognition and support for their volunteering through an excellent network of local providers.

I am contacting you about MV in Communities which is a way of supporting small community groups to involve MVs and particularly, in our case, to reach groups of young people who are volunteering as a group and those who are at a disadvantage of some kind. I have attached a briefing paper and letter to community organisations which explains all this. BTCV is the lead partner delivering this nationally and one of three providers in the Eastern Region.

Your help in promoting what we have to offer to young people and small community organisations would be much appreciated. In particular could you include an extract from the attached in your next mailing or email round? We'd be grateful for your help, so we can try to reach more young people.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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BTCV is the UK's leading practical conservation organisation. We see a world where people value the environment and take practical action to improve it.

MULTICULTURAL FOOD EVENT

A follow-on food event to last November's successful "**Around the World in Eighty Dishes**" is planned for **Saturday November 13th** at the **Park High School in King's Lynn**.

This event is being organised by Gillian Daniels of West Norfolk Learning Partnership. The WNLP want to involve individuals and groups from as many different nations as possible to celebrate the cultural diversity of the local area. Also included will be some form of entertainment such as music or dancing for people to enjoy. The time is expected to be **11 am-2pm**

If you would like to be involved, please contact Gillian Daniels as soon as possible on **01553 772766**; fax **01553 692374** or e-mail gilldaniels@aol.com.

Proposal for a 'Norfolk Children, Young People and Families' Forum

Enclosed with this newsletter are consultation documents relating to the above proposal. This is part of a mechanism to address how the voluntary sector will be represented on county children and young people's strategic partnerships in the future. This is your opportunity to be involved in this important area of work with young people, so please take the time to read and respond to the documents and particularly the questionnaire.

The deadline is 20 September 2004 for the completed questionnaire which should be returned to:-

**Jill Stracey, Voluntary Organisations Services Manager, NVS, Charing Cross Centre, 17/19
Maddermarket, Norwich, NR2 1DN.**

Any questions regarding the questionnaire to Jill Stracey on 01603 883804

GRANT AID

The **closing date** for the next round of Grants administered by Norfolk CVYS is

15 October 2004.

Application forms and grant criteria are available from:- Norfolk CVYS office tel./fax. **01603 423995**,
via e.mail info@norfolkcvys.org.uk or from our website www.norfolkcvys.org.uk

TRAINING - VACANCIES

FOOD HYGIENE Kings Lynn Saturday 18 September 2004 Cost £12 per person.

Please note that we still have some spaces on this course which we are anxious to fill. If you have anyone who is interested in taking up any of these vacancies, please let us know. This is a certificated course.

Contact: Joyce Lincoln 01603 423995 or e.mail joyce.lincoln@norfolk.gov.uk

At the AGM held on 10 June 2004 the following were elected to the Norfolk CVYS Management Committee for the year 2004-2005

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<i>Nick Jeffery, YMCS Norfolk, Trowse, Norwich</i>	07603 630049
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Action 4 Youth
Air Training Corps
All Saints Youth Club
Asperger Norfolk

Bacton Youth Club
Benjamin Foundation
Big City Youth Club
Blue Cat Initiative
B. Council King's Lynn & W.
Norfolk
Boys' Brigade
Breckland Carers
BUILD
Bunwell Youth Club

Crossroads Care Attendant Scheme
Caister Youth & Community Centre
Classic Majorettes
Connections & Co – City Church
Corpusty & Saxthorpe YC
Crusaders

Diocesan Youth Service
Diss Christian Community Church

Earlham Youth
East Anglian Girls' Flying Corps
East Winch Youth Club
Eaton Vale Activity Centres
Exchange 2

Frettenham Youth Club

Girls' Brigade
GFS (Platform)
Girls' Venture Corps Air Cadets
Great Ellingham Youth Club
Gt. Yarmouth & Waveney
CONTACT
Gt. Yarmouth Christian Youth
Group

Heartsease & Valley Drive Yth Action
Group
Heathlands Youth Club
Hellesdon Youth Club (Club H)
Hempnall Youth Club
Horstead Centre

Lakenham Lions Youth Club
Lakenham Youth
Living Word Youth Group
Long Stratton Gym Club

Mancroft Advice Project
Martham Combat Jitsu & Kickboxing
Club
Matthew Project
Methodist Association of Youth
Mile Cross Phoenix Children's Project
Millennium Volunteers Project
Mulbarton Church Youth Group

NCH Thetford Family Centre
NACRO
Norwich & Norfolk Voluntary
Services
NR5 Project
Norfolk Army Cadets Force TA
Norfolk Constabulary Schools Liaison
Norfolk Fire Service Cadets
Norfolk Guide Association
Norfolk International Project
Norfolk Schools Sailing Association
Norfolk Scout Association
Norfolk Young Farmers
North Elmham Youth Club
North Norfolk District Council
North Norfolk Families House
Norwich Gingerbread
Norwich & Norfolk Industrial Project
Norwich Youth for Christ

Poringland Parish Council

Rackheath Youth Club
Robertson Barracks Youth Club

Sporle Youth Club
Salvation Army
Sea Cadets (Norfolk)
Sheringham Skateboarding Club
Sprowston Youth Club
St. Edmunds' Society
St. John's Ambulance
Stalham Dragons Summer
Playscheme
Stanhoe Youth Club
Stars & Stripes

Take Flight
Taverham Youth Club
The Children's Centre Youth Club
(Club Z)
The Norfolk Youth Music Theatre
Thurlton & Norton Youth Club
Toftwood Youth Club

YESU
YMCA Norfolk
Young Carers' School Project
Young Citizen's Guild
Youth Clubs Norfolk

Walpole Area Community 4 Kids
& Youths
West Norwich Partnerships
Winch Grove Youth Club
Winterton Marine Cadets
Wymondham Baptist Church Yth