

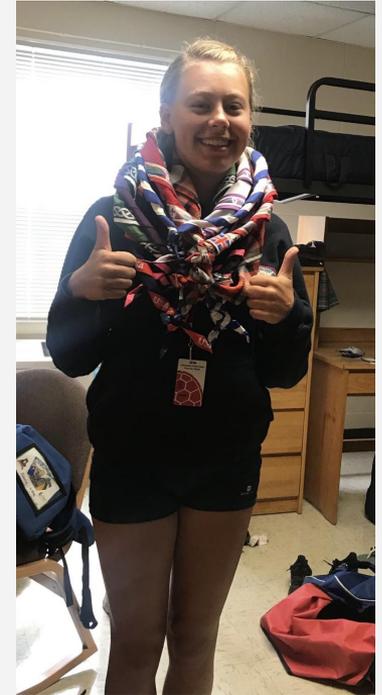


About me

Hi there! My name is Niamh Kirkland and I'm standing to be one of the Scout Scotland MSYPs. I am an Explorer in Edinburgh and I also Young Leader with a local cub group. Throughout lockdown I have been taking part and helping organise lots of zoom cub nights. As an explorer I'm currently looking forward to achieving my Queens Scout Award in October time.

Outside of scouting I am a swimmer and love lots of different sports such as canoeing (as you can see to the left). I also enjoy taking part in debating competitions and am in my last year of school.

I am an incredibly enthusiastic person and would do my best to achieve as much as possible in the next two years.



Some issues I would champion in SYP and why:

01 Outdoor Education

As Scouts I'm sure you all understand the importance of having access to the outdoors, it improves our mental and physical health. Outdoor education is a part of our education which is frequently overlooked however is one of the most important components in achieving a happy and healthy life

02 Youth Employment

This is an issue that I believe affects every young person in Scotland. Young people have had so many hardships thrown at them in the lockdown and having subpar employment opportunities does not help this. Fundamentally young people in the workplace are discriminated against, exploited, and have a very low job satisfaction which is something that needs to change.





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03 Mental Health

Although huge strides have been made in destigmatising mental health and our generation is admirably incredibly open about mental health. There is simply not enough quality mental health support out there whether that is within schools or organisations. Having co-chaired a Scout Scotland webinar on mental health this is an issue close to my heart and needs to change.

Contact me

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