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# LEADER NEWSLETTER April 2018



# **Subscriptions 2018**

A big thank you to all of you who sent your subscription cheques to Girlguiding in a timely manner. However, a significant number of units left paying for some time resulting in already busy Division Commissioners having to chase units. We even had a few units whose cheques did not arrive and so the funds are recovered from County resulting in us not getting our full levy back.

The subscription process isn't a surprise to us, it happens at the same time every year and

will do so again next year. The date given by Girlguiding isn't the date they want to receive it but the very last date it can arrive.

So next year lets all send our cheques as soon as the invoice arrives and be one of the first Counties in the Region to pay, not one of a few who are still chasing units until the last minute.

We are also aware that numbers of girls in units increase once the invoices have been finalised. Remember all girls should be moved to GO after their second meeting. Not having all girls in the unit on the system not only means every level of Girlguiding misses out on funding but that girls are not actually members.

Remember paying subscription is one of Girlguiding's policies and practices and not to do so is a breech of the Code of Conduct.

Lyndsey

**County Commissioner** 



# **Programme Renewal Sessions 2018**

We have arranged 14 sessions over two weeks from 2 - 13 July, including 4 sessions over the weekend of 7/8 July. Invitation letters will be going out to all leaders, YLs doing ALQ and regular unit helpers in April with details and application forms. Sessions will be cross-sectional, so leaders doing more than one section only have to attend once. Leaders can close their units to attend this session. And they can attend any session, not just the one in their area.

The aim of these sessions is to get everyone up-to-date with the rationale for the changes, the themes of the new programme, endorsing the girl-led approach, how to use the materials, and to answer queries. There is already a lot of information and material available on the Girlguiding website - so go on-line and see what is available so far.

All leaders will be expected to attend a session, not just the unit leader. We will put on another session in Sept/Oct for anyone who for genuine reasons cannot attend in July (eg. planned holiday).

ALQs who come to the Basics session on 25 June at Southsea will be able to use the Programme renewal session for their Module 1, Part 2 (f) as will any leader who is only doing Module 1 (change of section). The national publicity for the new programme is planned for 21 July 2018.



# Baden-Powell Challenge Award

The Baden Powell Challenge Award as we know it is going to be retired as part of the new Programme. With this in mind, the County BP Adviser, Gillian Lovegrove, will accept **Starting Notifications Forms up to 30 June 2018**. To be awarded the Baden Powell Challenge Award a Guide must have completed all 10 clauses and the Adventure **by the 31 July 2019**.

There will be **NO** extension to these dates.

In the new Programme. all sections will have a top award called the Gold Award. We believe that some of Baden Powell Challenge Award elements, particularly the residential adventure, will transition to the Gold Award for the Guide section. Guides will be able to start working towards this award in September.



# **General Data Protection Regulation 2018**

Information about what this means for all units and leaders was enclosed with your Guiding membership card which everyone received in March. Please familiarise yourself with the data rules as they apply to Guiding and take action to clear your records (including information on laptops, PCs, datasticks and hard drives. Only keep the information we are allowed to keep, and make sure that information is being kept securely.

This is a good opportunity to clear files, storage boxes, lofts, Guide cupboards etc of everything we should not be keeping. Use the helpful checklist enclosed with your membership cards as a guide.

### Calling all 18-25 Year Old Leaders

Help pave the way for the future of Girlguiding Hampshire East.



We want to hear your voice! As valued members of our organisation we want to hear from you with any ideas or opinions which you have in relation to Girlguiding in our County. Hampshire East will soon be trialling a private online forum on Facebook for 18-25 year old leaders, so that they have an opportunity to discuss, debate and share things that are going on in our County. We want to ensure the County knows about your ideas for future innovation or feedback in

relation to local or national agendas, ideas for future innovation or feedback in relation to local or national agendas. The online forums will provide a space for everyone to speak openly and honestly and to share their ideas.

The County Executive Committee would then also like one of these members to attend each County meeting to share the ideas from this age group.

This will be a private group so only members registered on GO will be allowed to join. In order for the online forum to be a success we require the assistance of some technologically savvy volunteers aged between 18-30. If you would be interested in setting up and monitoring this project we would love to hear from you!

If interested please email: hantseastcc@gmail.com



# **Long Service Awards**

We have reviewed the way long service awards are funded. From now on County will pay for 20 and 30 year long service awards. Please order as normal from Liz.

Region will now pay for 40, 50 and 60 year long service awards. Please order as normal through Liz with the name of the recipient and the approximate presentation date.

Division Commissioners need to let Jan Chapple know when they are awarded so that the Go record for that person can be updated.

When ordering any badges from Liz Dunning, please use email: HEbadgesecretary@gmail.com

# Sandy Acres, Girlguiding Campsite and Lodge Sandy Lane, Shedfield, SO32 2HQ

Owned by Portsmouth Girlguiding Divisions Hampshire East

# **OPEN DAY**

# SATURDAY JUNE 9TH 10.30am to 4pm



Would you like to organize a Camp/Pack holiday/Sleepover at Sandy Acres? If you are not sure about the facilities then visit us on June 9th when you can see the accommodation, walk round the site and talk over your requirements with members of the management committee.

Enquiries to administrator@sabookings.myzen.co.uk or Telephone 02392580135

Starting to plan your group's programme from Easter onwards?

Please find below details of our exciting sessions at the National Museum of the Royal Navy.



### **Movie Makers!**

Explore HMS Alliance after normal opening hours and become budding movie makers using our iPads to help make a submarine inspired movie trailer.

Then watch it on the big screen and we will then email it back to you!

£80 for a 2-hour visit including access to HMS Alliance.

Maximum of 35 young people.

Can be held on an evening (subject to availability) to meet the needs of your group.

### **Attic investigators!**

Explore our Georgian storehouse attics not normally open to the public and delve into artefacts not on display.

See how these buildings were built and what they were used for and take crayon rubbings and photos to record evidence of our artefacts.

### **Portrait Painters!**

Explore the Museum's collection of portraits and landscapes both on display and behind the scenes in our attics (not normally open to the public!)

Use our iPads to bring the portraits to life to tell their stories of the people within them and what the paintings are trying to convey.

Make your own versions digitally (which can be emailed to the group after) as well as making 2D versions using a variety of techniques.

Recreate the portraits you see and record using a variety of techniques!



We look forward to welcoming your group to our museums soon



### **Dates for your Diary**

2018

28 April Leadership Day for New Leaders training 29 April First Response & First Response Renewal

[session fully booked]

1 May A Safe Space Level 2 training

[session fully booked]

	21 June	A Safe Space Level 2 training
	23 June	First Response & First Response Renewal
	25 June	Leadership Day for New Leaders training part 1
		(section training to be completed as part of
Programme Renewal)		
	2 - 13 July	Programme Renewal training
		[further details to follow]
	16 Sept	First Response & First Response Renewal
	10 Oct	First Response Renewal
	3 Nov	First Response
	6 Nov	A Safe Space Level 2 training
	7 Nov	Money Management and Accounts training
	10 Nov	A Safe Space Level 3 training (Region training)
	18 Nov	Leadership Day for New Leaders training
	21 Nov	First Response Renewal

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