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Girlguiding Hampshire East County's
LEADER NEWSLETTER

January 2019



Happy New Year!

Wishing you all a very Happy New Year and all the best for the coming year.

Last year was a year of changes - GDPR, new GO systems and introduction of new A Safe Space and new programme. Thank you all for embracing these changes and continuing to offer quality, fun experiences for all the girls and young women in Girlguiding Hampshire East. Here's to another year of Guiding adventures.

A brand new year could be considered the seed, and your goals could be the buds, but taking action and achieving your dreams, well, that is the flower. May the New Year be your seed and may you have lots of flowers to inspire you.

County Team Update

As you are aware, I have 4 Assistant County Commissioners who look after the 4 areas of Girlguiding Being you Best. Capacity - Kathy Davis, Access - Vilma Cooke, Voice - Liz Dunning and Excellence - Jacqui Dixon. When I took on the role of County Commissioner two years ago Jacqui agreed to become one of my Assistants to see us into the launch of the new programme. Now that we are into the implementation of this Jacqui is stepping down from this role. I am sure you would like to join me in thanking her for all the fabulous work she has done to help us get to grips with this new and exciting venture and for everything she has done for the County over very many years as County Commissioner [twice], Assistant County Commissioner and numerous other roles.

I am pleased and excited to welcome a new member to the team as Assistant County Commissioner for Excellence, Claire Rees. Claire is a Guide leader from Portsmouth North and is a trainer. She has held roles in County, Region and Nationally. Claire is involved in organising events for Portsmouth City Council in her day job.

Claire will be contactable using our joint email address: hantseastcc@outlook.com

Lyndsey



Go Waiting Lists

Having checked the waiting lists again we have 29 girls [new submitted] that have been on the list for more than 21 days and no contact made. Please can you log into GO, check your girl enquiries and make contact by 11th January. Please add notes to their record and mark them as contacted. Some have been there a long time and some have newly transferred to other units.

Girls Joining Units in January

Please can I remind you that all new girls starting in your units this month must be registered under your unit on GO before 30th January 2019. This is so they can be included in your 2019 subscription invoice and not left in a void. This has been monitored by GGUK over the years unit by unit and County by County and there is a clear dip at this time. If you have new members starting this term, then they need to be included in your unit numbers.

Waiting Lists

Following the work done by the County Team and subsequent spreadsheets sent to Commissioners with questions regarding eligible girls on waiting lists where units were not full, I am pleased to say that nearly 50% of those girls eligible are now in units. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to reduce our waiting list of girls eligible to be in units.

Kathy

Assistant County Commissioner - Capacity



New LQ Mentors Training

We are holding a training event for new LQ mentors on the morning of Saturday 23rd March at the Marriott Hotel, Cosham, alongside the annual update session for existing mentors. Anyone thinking that they would like to be a mentor, please register your interest with Kathy Davis and we will get back to you with details. If Commissioners know of anyone who would make a good mentor, please talk to them and tell them about this event. Some Divisions are very short of mentors, which puts an unfair workload on Divisions which do provide lots of mentors, so please let's spread the message.

County Spring Training Event

This event will be held at South Downs College on Saturday 18th May. Gremlins got into the training diary and had it down as June - it's 18th MAY! The on-line training diary has been amended.

Region Safe Space and New Programme Sessions

South West Region are putting on more Safe Space and New Programme sessions across the Region which any leader can attend. All information is on the Girlguiding South West Region website - and all applications go direct to the Region office.

*There is always
something fun to do!*

Activities & Events

Below is some information of an activity that you may be interested in offering to the girls in your unit as part of your unit programme.

Sandhurst Takeover Day



Did you know the British Army is supporting the new Lead skills builder?

They want to help as many girls as possible to achieve this so they're offering Guides and Rangers the opportunity to join us for a takeover day at the world-famous Royal Military Academy Sandhurst - the home of Army leadership, to gain their stage 5 Lead skills builder.

At: RMA Sandhurst

On: Saturday 16th March 2019 9.30am - 4.30pm

Cost: There is no charge for the day

Over the course of the day the girls will do activities which will meet all the required elements of the stage five Lead skills builder and will test their leadership and teamwork skills.

All activities will be delivered by serving soldiers, most of them young women.

You can bring as many Guides and Rangers as you'd like but there must be one leader for every ten girls as they'll be working in separate groups of ten.

The event runs from 9.30am - 4.30pm, is free to attend, and lunch will be provided in the prestigious Old College dining room.

The British Army will not use, demonstrate or display weapons or provide recruitment literature at this or any Girlguiding event nor will they encourage girls to make applications to join the British Army. This engagement activity has the sole aim of sharing leadership skills.

To book places please complete the registration form by the cut-off date below. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Your booking information will be passed onto the event organiser, Major Louise Bates for the purposes of facilitating attendance at this event only.

Event Summary

Event Date	16 March 2019
Event End Date	16 March 2019
Capacity	200
Available places	200
Booking cut off date	Sunday, 17 February 2019
Individual Price	Free
Location	Royal Military Academy Sandhurst



Dates for your Diary 2019

- 19 Jan County Training Event
- 20 Jan County Training Event
- 2 Feb First Response Training
- 23 Mar LQ Mentor Update/New LQ Mentor Training
- 31 Mar First Response/First Response Renewal Training
- 26-28 Apr Going Away With... Qualification Weekend

18 May County Spring Training Event
12 Jun Safe Space Level 2
15 Jun First Response/First Response Renewal Training
22 Sep First Response/First Response Renewal Training
9 Oct First Response Renewal Training
20 Nov First Response Renewal Training
2 Nov First Response Training
24 Nov Safe Space Level 2/Safe Space Level 3
24 Nov LQ Day for New Leaders



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