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Girlguiding Hampshire East County's LEADER NEWSLETTER

October 2018



Managing Your Waiting Lists - UPDATE

We have now had confirmation that the 7-day time allowance for dealing with new member applications on GO is only for Adult Volunteers.

Applications by girls to join Guiding still have a 21-day turnaround. However, please let's not get to 21 days, let's deal with new members promptly and efficiently. I will be doing another sweep very soon to ensure that all girls signed up in August or before have, at the very least, been contacted and marked as such and that there are notes on their GO record to show this has been done.



New Programme Changeover Guidance

Several leaders have asked about arrangements for changing over to the new programme and what happens if girls do not have time to complete all the requirements for their Gold Award. There is guidance on the Girlguiding website (click on the button below), where you will also find guidance notes for leaders on the new programme - which replaces the guidance notes for leaders for each section.

Copies of these notes are being emailed to Division Commissioners who will be asked to make sure that all their leaders have accessed and read these guidance notes.

Click here for more information



Region Safe Space Level 3 Session - 10 November

There are still spaces on the Safe Space Level 3 session at Warblington School, Havant, on 10 November. The application form is on the Region website. If you need this training (i.e. the main unit leader, as all units will need one leader trained at Level 3, and anyone with a residential qualification), please apply in the next few days direct to Region office. Commissioners and trainers must have done Level 3 before doing their Level 4 next January. Also - the criteria for exemption from Level 3 is changing. Leaders must now have some management responsibility for Safeguarding in their profession/workplace - see the Girlguiding website for further details.



A Safe Space

There still seems to be some confusion about which levels of A Safe Space can be done on-line and if they can be accredited.

 Level 1 can only be done on-line, and must be completed before attending a Level 2 session.

- Leaders must bring their Level 1 certificate with them to the Level 2 session.
- Level 2 can be done on-line BUT it can only be accredited on GO after discussion
 with a Commissioner (who has completed at least Level 3), or a trainer who is
 qualified to train ASS to at least Level 3. This discussion must follow the format set
 out by Girlguiding it is not a general discussion about safeguarding. After the
 discussion, the Commissioner may update GO.
- There is no external equivalent to Level 1 or Level 2 these are specific to Guiding.
- Leaders with appropriate experience of safeguarding may apply for exemption from attending a Level 3 course. This requires the appropriate form to be completed and sent with evidence to the Region office at Salisbury. Forms are available on the Region and National website.
- Exemption from Level 3 now requires some element of management responsibility for safeguarding within a profession or workplace.
- There is no on-line training for Level 3 or Level 4.
- Level 1 must be done before Level 2, Level 2 before Level 3 and so on. Your GO record will not be updated unless you have done all the required preceding levels.



Updating GO Records

We're all very good at updating the GO records of the girls in our units but have you made sure your details are correct - including your emergency contact? Just log into GO, click on your name at the top right of the screen and then select your Guiding preferences and then marketing preferences.



Photos and Videos

What implications will GDPR have on photos and videos of members?

We're working on it and are developing some guidance. However, please make sure you still get the relevant consent as recorded on the starting forms.

Can we still have photographs of girls on our unit website? Parents have ticked the 'national publicity' part of the starting form.

If you can connect a photo to a consent form then it's fine to use. If you can't prove the consent then you'll have to remove it. We're changing the starting form so you can keep a copy of the parental permission.

How can we prove the parents have provided photo permissions if we have destroyed the form?

We're changing the starting form so you'll be able to keep a copy of the photo permission.

Can we still use photos of the girls that have left guiding but gave us photo permissions at the time?

No - as the photos wouldn't be used for the same reason. The photo permission finishes when a girl leaves the unit. However, you can still keep the photo in your unit archives but can't use them publicly.

With regards to the much publicised trans-gender issue, if you receive enquiries from parents, the advice is to direct them to the statement on the website. You callso use the excellent letter that went to members and parents this week. If this is not enough, you are asked to contact the press office or complaints at HQ.



A Night at the Library - Sleepover

Please note that the sleepover dates have been moved to the weekend of 9th/10th March 2019.

Full details including the booking form will be in next month's newsletter.



She Rallies

She Rallies is spearheaded by Judy Murray and is aiming to create opportunities for women and girls to have a go at tennis in the UK.

They have a network of Ambassadors across the country who will work with local units to offer fun sessions: a) 'Lil Miss Hits' - perfect for Rainbows and Brownies, b) Teen girls starter tennis - perfect for Guides and Rangers. These can be indoors or outdoors and no experience is needed. They are happy to flex to suit the group size and space available.

Also, the Ambassadors will organise training sessions for groups of leaders/parents/YLs/Rangers over the age of 16 to become 'Activators'. This is a fun session. Activators can then register on the LTA website and get free equipment kit to run sessions with their units (worth £250). No tennis experience needed!

This is what one of the Hampshire East Brownie leaders (now also an activator) said about She Rallies: "You will get to play with balloons, pom-poms, cones, scarves, bean bags as well as actual balls and tennis rackets! It's a great way of introducing tennis to the Brownies and it will develop their hand-eye co-ordination and ball tracking skills. But most importantly, brownies is about having fun and they will have lots of it!"

To find your local Ambassador, go to http://www.sherallies.com and click on the 'Our Ambassadors' link to contact them directly.



Interest Badges

I'm sure that some of you will have some of the outgoing interest badges in your badge boxes that may now be surplus to your requirements. If you would like help selling them on then I can help.

If you bring your badges to me I will add them to my stock, noting which ones are yours, and as I sell them I will keep a record and send you a cheque termly for any funds raised. I will sell them for 5p less than is listed in the catalogue - ie Rainbows and Brownies 50p, Guides 60p.

Of course if you need any of the outgoing badges please come to me first before buying them directly from trading - this way we are all helping each other's unit funds.

I am building up my stock of new badges so don't forget to let me know if you need any!

Thanks
Liz Dunning



Only Love Endures

Join Storyteller Janet Goring, Bluebird the Storyteller, on Remembrance Sunday as the world commemorates the 100th anniversary of The Armistice.

Only Love Endures is a varied programme of thoughtful stories to reflect on paths walked in the name of the war towards peace.

Especially crafted tales all told in Bluebirds own inimitable style, wrapping truth and reflection in the cloak of stories.

Story session aimed at adults and accompanied children age 12+.

Sunday 11th November 2:45-5pm

at Waterlooville Guide Headquarters, Walton Close, PO7 7DJ.

£4 per ticket by reservation only.

Contact Janet 02392 611847. janet@bluebirdstorytelling.co.uk

www.bluebirdstorytelling.co.uk



Activities/Events

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

Hampshire & Isle of Wight Air Ambulance

Amy Compton, Schools and Youth Coordinator for the Education Team at the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Air Ambulance, would like to make us aware that they offer free education programmes for children aged 2-18. These have proven to be very successful with some of the Rainbow, Brownie and Guide groups they have already visited in Hampshire.

They offer two free workshops. Their 'Be a 999 Hero' presentation teaches Rainbows and Brownies the basic life-saving skill of making a 999 call while also spreading awareness of the charity. For the Guides group they have a 'LifeLines' workshop which teaches teenagers the same STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) skills their critical care team use. Guides have the chance to interact with the same kit and equipment the crew use.

For more information click on the links below or contact Amy Compton via email - mailto:amy@hiowaa.org

Sky Heroes - Schools, Groups and Clubs

Workshop



Discover more about the science of the sea with Dan Ball - Museum Educator



Delve into the history, mysteries and science of the sea with an exciting outreach session for your young people without leaving dry land at your venue!

Discover the science behind life at sea including the submarine toilet quiz,

How did ships during WW1 & WW2 kept hidden at sea with deceptive and dazzling dazzle

Can you withstand the pressure beneath the depths

How do you keep clean at sea?!

£40 for a 1 hour session / £70 for a extended session (including mileage) to your venue at times your group meets

Includes lots of audience participation, hands on experiments, activities and smells!

'Dan is Amazing with a capital A. He captures the imaginations of adults and children alike. And makes history exciting and enthralling leaving you wanting more.' -

For more details and information contact Dan via facebook.com/ <u>DanBallMuseumEducator/</u> danielballbeaulieu@live.co.uk / 07415892539



Dates for your Diary

2018

1 Oct A Safe Space Level 2 training

1 Oct Programme Renewal - sweep-up session

10 Oct First Response Renewal

3 Nov First Response

6 Nov A Safe Space Level 2 training [fully booked]
 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

2019

19 Jan County Training Event20 Jan County Training Event