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Girlguiding Hampshire East County

## LEADER NEWSLETTER

September 2019



### **Safeguarding Policy**

Girlguiding's Safeguarding policy has been updated and is now live on the [Website](#). The changes were minor and mainly around tone, syle and structure. The principles of the policy have not changed in any way.

### **Safe Space Training**

At the moment, the following percentages of volunteers have done their A Safe Space training across guiding:

- Level 1 - 49%
- Level 2 - 33%
- Level 3 - 52%
- Level 4 - 54%

This is still a lot of leaders to train. Please do not leave it until the last minute to undertake your training. The message from Girlguiding is that this is a membership requirement and they are starting to look at what will happen come January 2021, to those who have not completed their training. At the moment HQ are planning a series of reminders throughout next year of the requirement to do it. In the autumn they will explain very clearly that their membership is at risk if they do not complete it by the end of the year. Membership will be withdrawn for non-compliance.

Why wait a year? What if a girl or adult needs support NOW? We are looking after other people's children. Think how you would feel if it was your daughter.

### Safe Space Level 2 Online

Safe Space Level 2 can now be completed online via the Girlguiding website. To find out more and to complete the elearning visit [a safe space training level 2 - creating a safe space](#).

### Safe Space Level 3

Please note that the start and end times for the Safe Space Level 3 training being held on 24th November has been moved from the afternoon to the morning. The revised times for the training; 09.30am to 12.30pm. The training calendar has been updated on the website to reflect this change.



### Badge News

There are now certificates for the Theme Awards - codes and prices are on the County Website along with all the other badge information and an order form.



### County Website

The password for the website changed on 1st September - please ask your Division Commissioner for the new password.

### Events Team Coordinator

Please note that Nicky Bull has changed her address and phone number. The directory on the County website has been amended to reflect these changes. Nicky's email address remains unchanged.



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## Upcoming Events

### Thank You Afternoon Tea

This will be held on Sunday 3rd November 2019. More information to follow.

### Brownie Weekend

Plans are in progress for a Brownie weekend in 2020. More information to follow.

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## UK Youth Parliament, Make Your Mark

Gareth is a Member of Youth Parliament (MYP) for South East Hampshire.

Recently, the UK Youth Parliament released this year's Make Your Mark campaign. It is not party political. The purpose is to find out which issues are the most important. He is looking for a ballot to be run at guides and ranger groups. The most popular issues from the national ballot will be debated in the House of Commons in November by the MYP's.

If your unit would be interested in taking part please visit for more information <http://www.ukyouthparliament.org.uk/makeyourmark/schools-colleges-and-youth-organisations/>. You can also contact Gareth via email [garethboyes.myp@icloud.com](mailto:garethboyes.myp@icloud.com)

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### **SANDY ACRES MAINTENANCE WEEKEND**

SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> October and SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> October 10 am until 3pm

This is the weekend when we thoroughly clean the Lodge, do any small repairs and clear the grounds of any weeds and brambles etc.

In recent years this has been left to the committee and a few helpers. We would welcome anyone who is free that weekend to come and help. It doesn't have to be for the whole day a few hours would be welcome.

Please phone 02392 580135 or 02392 693309 for further information.

### **SANDY ACRES WOODPILE**

We always welcome suitable wood for campfires and cooking. But please NO fence panels with nails in. These are a danger to the girls and resident wildlife. Guiders like to send the girls to collect the wood - they cannot do this if someone has dumped a load of dangerous fence panels, or any other wood with sharp objects attached.

Marian Fisher

Chair of the Management committee

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### **Long Service Awards**

Congratulations to the following Unit Helpers and Leaders on gaining their service awards:

#### **20 Year Service Award**

Diane Williams - Gosport South  
Elizabeth Chisnall - Havant  
Glenda Ashdown-Watts - Fareham  
Helen Hughes - Meon Valley  
Jenny Beeney - Havant  
Jess Hill - Petersfield  
Sarah Woodman - Meon Valley  
Steph Squire - Gosport South  
Wendy Truscott - Gosport North

#### **30 Year Service Award**

Becky Lawton - Bere Forest  
June Ace - Gosport North

#### **County Silver Standard Award**

Congratulations to the following who were presented with the County Silver Standard Award:

Claire Smith - Portsmouth North  
Connie Baber - Fareham  
Jean Richardson - Fareham  
Jo Colborne - Portsmouth North  
Maz Francis - Gosport North  
Stacey Carter - Horndean  
Rebecca Lawton - Bere Forest  
Vilma Cooke - Bere Forest

#### **County Gold Standard Award**

Congratulations to the following who were presented with the County Gold Standard Award:

Carol Cleeve - Fareham / Vice President  
Claire Reed - Gosport South  
Jo Veal - Portsmouth North

#### **Leadership Qualification**

Congratulations on the following leaders on gaining their Leadership Qualification:

Heather Pearce [module 1 Brownies] - Meon Valley  
Hilary Hetherington [module 1 Brownies] - Gosport North  
Jess Keeping [modules 1-3 Guides] - Meon Valley  
Kat Robbins [module 1 Guides] - Havant

Lucy Gowan [modules 1-3 Brownies] - Fareham  
Megan Elderton [modules 1-3 Guides] - Bere Forest

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### Dates for your Diary 2019

16 Sep	Young Members Presentation Evening
22 Sep	First Response/First Response Renewal Training - <b>NO SPACES</b>
9 Oct	First Response Renewal Training
20 Nov	First Response Renewal Training
2 Nov	First Response Training
3 Nov	Leaders Social and Award Event (afternoon)
24 Nov	Safe Space Level 3
24 Nov	LQ Day for New Leaders

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