

September 2019

Welcome back to a new term. I hope you have all had a good summer, whether you were away with family and friends, away with Girlguiding, or both!

Firstly, a very well deserved award was made to Sue Clayton, in July. Sue was presented with her Laurel Award by Region Commissioner, Tracy Foster, at a surprise party.

The Laurel Award recognises exceptional service given to Girlguiding by supporting and developing guiding for both girls and leaders, being an outstanding leader and team player, and also being a stand out person well respected by her peers. Sue embodies all of these qualities and more. It was a pleasure to be part of her presentation evening.

Earlier this year, 200 Guides had a fabulous time at



Wicksteed Park thanks to the hard work of Rudy Bodington and her team. Rudy has now completed her term as Guide Adviser and we are looking for someone to take on the role. This role sits within the Programme and Adventure committee where you will find a very warm welcome. If you are interested and would like to know more, please contact Liz Zientek - Programme and Adventure chair at programme@ggcw.org.uk.

Liz and her committee are also starting to plan our events for 2020 so please do keep reading the newsletter, the Facebook group and our website for more information. As always, we have a dedicated group of volunteers who are organising each event. If you can spare a few extra hours to assist with one of them, please let Liz know.

We have had a fabulous attendance at all our events this year and the girls have really enjoyed taking part. We look forward to seeing you and your girls at a county event soon.

Thank you all for being leaders in Cambridgeshire West and for all you do to inspire girls.

Helen

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A14 Great Ouse Challenge Saturday 12 October

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Campfire Fundraiser (EuroJam)

All money raised will be going towards a group of CambsWest girls going to EuroJam in Poland next year.

When and Where:

Saturday 12 October · 1600-1800 · Yaxley Scout and Guide HQ, PE7 3TW

Cost: £2 per girl. Payments to be received by Thursday 10 October.

Please send cheques made payable to 4th St Ives Guides and post to Sue Bennet, 21 Rodney Road, Hartfod, Huntingdon, PE29 1RZ.

Bounce 2019

What is it:

AAA Inflatables are kindly opening up in the evening especially for this Girlguiding only event. It is an opportunity to meet members from other units and have an evening of fun bouncing on inflatables of all shapes and sizes.

When and Where:

Wednesday 23 October · 1800-1930 · Manor Farm, Sawtry Way, Wyton, PE28 2DY

Details: https://www.inflatabounce.net

Cost: £2 per person.

October Taster Sessions

Volunteers are needed to help run activities at our upcoming taster sessions. The aim of the day is to Grow Guiding, to raise our profile in the local area and to recruit new volunteers who can support existing units or start new units, where needed.

All resources will be provided and the sessions are open to families (so you can bring your own little ones with you). The taster sessions will include programme activities involving invention, recycling, mindfulness, mixology, etc.

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- Will be held at the county Bounce event.
- Will showcase some of the new programme resources and opportunities for girls and parents about how they can suppor their local unit, get involved with Girlguiding, etc.

Thursday 24 October · 1000-1230 · Pyramid Centre, Bretton, PE3 8NZ Thursday 24 October · 1430-1700 · Tesco Community Room, Peterborough, PE7 8BD

• Both the morning and afternoon sessions will have a free Circus Skills session.

For more details and information, please contact Jennie Grove via Jennie.Grove@girlguiding.co.uk.

UK Parliament Week Saturday 02 to Friday 08 November

UK Parliament Week is back - Have your say and get involved!

Parliament Week is a great way to help girls learn more about politics and democracy. It also helps them find out how they can speak up on the issues that matter to them. From starting a conversation to debating the big issues, this is a great way to highlight the issues that matter to you.

Sign up and receive a free kit packed full of goodies including a booklet, bunting, a ballot box and more.

For information and sign up: https://www.ukparliamentweek.org/

Girlguiding Anglia Macmillan Challenge

Join in and take part in supporting our goal of fundraising with Macmillian Cancer Support. Girlguiding Anglia has partnered with Macmillan Cancer Support to raise money and awareness for people affected by cancer and to raise enough money to pay for 2,500 Macmillan nursing hours.

Macmillan challenge badges will run throughout the year and into 2020, focusing on three main badges: "Fundraising", "World's Biggest Coffee Morning", and "Awareness". If you would like some extra challenges, there are three more that link into these throughout the year. These include: "Dress Up and Dance", "Mile for Macmillan", and "Volunteering".

For more information: https://www.girlguiding-anglia.org.uk/regionpartnerships/girlguiding-anglia-macmillan-challenge

Cambs West County Challenge 2019

Spend **at least one night away** in an unusual place from 01 January to 31 December 2019.

This is a challenge for all sections. It can be under canvas or indoors, as a unit or in a larger group (ie. District or Division event). The event can be held locally or further afield.

Usual sleepover rules apply:

- The Event Co-ordinator (or a member of the leadership team) will need to hold, or be working towards, the Going Away with Girlguiding Award modules 1-4 to be able to take girls away overnight.
- To qualify, a REN Part 1 needs to be submitted to the District Commissioner and Holiday Adviser before booking the event. The REN Part 2 needs to be submitted 4 weeks before the event.
- Accommodation needs to be checked for suitability if it has not been used for this purpose before. Check with your Divison Camp or Holiday Adviser.

On completion of your event, please submit a photograph taken during the sleepover, a short description of your event and a list of all participants (with membership numbers) - instructions to follow.

On completion, all members of Girlguiding Cambs West will be eligible to receive a badge. Only one badge per member, regardless of number of events participated.

For further details, please contact Liz Zientek - Holiday Advisor, via holidayadviser@ggcw.org.uk.

Programme Resources

Did you know that you can request for programme resources in different formats? We want our programme to be accessible for everyone and have resources available in Braille, e-reader and large print.

To request accessible programme resources, fill out the form here: https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/privacy-policy/accessibility-statement/requestaccessible-programme-resources/



Upcoming training for this year:

* Guiding wear is to be worn for all trainings *

Please book via the County Office at office@ggcw.org.uk.

Detailed training information: http://www.ggcw.org.uk/events/training * You will need to be logged in to view this page.

First Response Full Course £23.00

Saturday 12 October · 0900-1600 · Offord Village Hall, PE19 5RR Saturday 30 November · 0900-1600 · Sawtry WI Hall, PE28 5TS

First Response Refresher Course £15.50 Saturday 02 November · 0900-1300 · Sawtry WI Hall, PE28 5TS

New Leader and Safe Space (Level 2) £5.00 Saturday 16 November · 1000-1600 · Yaxley Scout Hut, PE7 3TW

Safe Space (Level 3) £5.00 Monday 14 October · 1900-2200 · Sawtry Old School, PE28 5UY

Mentor Training - There is no cost for this training. Thursday 26 September · 1930-2200 · Sawtry WI Hall, PE28 5TS



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Helping Hands More Ways to Help Girlguiding Cambs West

County Team

We are still looking for people to join the team and have the following vacancies available:

- Guide Adviser
- Queen's Guide Adviser
- Administrator for International Selection (this role is shared with the International Adviser)

No previous experience is necessary — just enthusiasm to help provide experiences for members of Girlguiding Cambs West.

We are a very friendly County team and you will be given lots of support if you would like to join us. Please contact Liz Zientek - Programme and Adventure Chair at programme@ggcw.org.uk.

Task and Finish Groups

Many exciting events are being planned, but in order to have these events become a success, we need your help - you do not need to have experience - every little helps!

You do not need to be an expert - just someone with enthusiasm to share the fun and adventure of Guiding with others.

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Go Social with Girlguiding Cambridgeshire West



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Donate to County Building: http://www.justgiving.com/cambswestgg

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