

WELCOME BACK - A MESSAGE FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONER JACKIE BROCKLEHURST



I hope you've all had a wonderful summer. I know many of you have been on residential trips, camps & holidays both in the UK & overseas. Thank you to each & every one of you who has supported Girlguiding activities & given your girls great adventures. I hope you've managed to get some time for yourselves & your families too. We're back in full swing; the new programme is now live & is the only programme to be delivered from now on. All references to the old programme will be removed from shops & websites. We have some exciting events for you over the coming months. In October we look forward to meeting 400 Brownies & their leaders at Brownie Blast. This will be a weekend of adventure & challenge, with a few surprises too. Bookings are now open for Celebrate 2020 taking place on Saturday 22 February 2020 at the NEC, Birmingham. This is a large-scale event with 12,000 places available. Girlguiding Nottinghamshire is supporting Divisions to attend by funding 50% of costs for a coach. Please speak to your Division Commissioner for details. Many of you have been asking about Megamoot. I can confirm that both Girlguiding Nottinghamshire & Nottinghamshire Scouts have agreed to support a second Megamoot in 2022. Further details & opportunities to be on the organising team will follow

later this year. Finally, thank you for supporting Girlguiding across the County. We look forward to seeing many more of you over the coming months.

OCTOBER WEEK OF TRAINING

Monday 21 - Thursday 24 October 2019

There is a variety of training scheduled for this week including section training, safe space and systems. This is a great opportunity if you are working on your Leadership Qualification and for everyone else to refresh and renew your knowledge. For all leaders, leaders in training, unit helpers and young leaders aged 16+. For further information and to book, visit the [county website](#).

I AM A PHYSICIST BADGE UPDATE

We're delighted to hear that lots of you have taken part in I am a Physicist, in partnership with the Institute of Physics (IOP). It's been a huge success & we're proud that so many of our members have shown their support! If your unit is still doing the badge, or you're planning on getting started on the resource next term, then there are a few updates. There's a new online form to request badges, which can be found on the [IOP website](#) & a new email address especially for the resource: iamaphysicistbadge@iop.org. The IOP also no longer require feedback (they have received a lot - which is great!), so you don't need to complete the feedback form to receive your badges. Find out more on the [Institute of Physics website](#). You can also download the resource from the [county website](#). The IOP are also looking to interview groups who have completed the badge. Email accckh@girlguidingnottinghamshire.org.uk if you're interested.

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY...

Date	Event	Contact
12 September	COUNTY SINGING CIRCLE, Nottinghamshire Guide HQ, Carlton, 7.30pm - 9pm	Anne Allery
19 September	1 st RESPONSE RENEWAL, Nottinghamshire Guide HQ, Carlton, 6.30pm - 8.30pm	Clare Leggett
21 - 22 September	AUTUMN ROUGHBRECK CAMP FOR GUIDES, Roughbreck Campsite, 4.30pm - 11.30am	Guide HQ
28 September	1 st RESPONSE TRAINING, Nottinghamshire Guide HQ, 10am - 4pm	Clare Leggett
29 September	GINORMOUS CHOIR, Albert Hall, Nottingham City Centre, All day	Guide HQ
12 October	MIDLANDS REGION SINGING DAY, 10am - 4pm, Farndon Memorial Hall	Midlands HQ
18 - 20 October	BROWNIE BLAST, PGL Caythorpe, 5pm (Friday) - 2.30pm (Sunday)	Guide HQ
21 October	RAINBOW SECTION TRAINING, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
21 October	BROWNIE SECTION TRAINING, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
22 October	GUIDE SECTION TRAINING, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
22 October	RANGER SECTION TRAINING, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
23 October	GO AND FINANCE TRAINING, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
23 October	A SAFE SPACE LEVEL 2, Guide HQ, Carlton, 7pm - 9pm	Guide HQ
24 October	A SAFE SPACE Level 3, Guide HQ, Carlton, 6.30pm - 9.30pm	Guide HQ
26 October	1 st RESPONSE TRAINING, Ollerton Scout and Guide Activity Centre, 10am - 4pm	Clare Leggett
26 October	D of E NAVIGATION SKILLS TRAINING, time & location TBC	Judith Gurd

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A NEW PROPERTY CHAIR FOR ROUGHBRECK CAMPSITE

We're looking for a new & dynamic person to chair our property committee who look after Roughbreck Campsite, situated in the North of Nottinghamshire. If you have good organisational & communication skills, we would love to speak with you. A working knowledge of chiring meetings & looking after properties would be desirable but not essential as support will be given. Our properties are an important asset to Girlguiding Nottinghamshire. They provide a safe place for adventure, residentials & fun for both girls & adults alike. The role of the property chair is key to ensuring our properties are safe, fit for purpose & great places to visit. For more information contact Jackie Brocklehurst at CountyCommissioner@girlguidingnottinghamshire.org.uk

COUNTY SHOP UPDATE

The County Shop has now reopened after the summer break. With the latest Guiding Essentials catalogue out now, we've got some new stock items in store for you to check out! We'll also be starting our new opening hours, which includes now being open on a Thursday. Our new opening times are Saturday 10am - 2pm, Wednesday 3pm - 7pm and Thursday 3pm - 7pm. Visit the [county website](#) for more information. The County Shop are always looking for new volunteers. If you would like to support the shop as a volunteer please contact us at shop@girlguidingnottinghamshire.org.uk.

VACANCIES AT ELTON CAMPSITES & HOLIDAY HOUSE AND VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

Elton is one of Girlguiding Nottinghamshire's County properties located in Orston. There's been lots of new developments at Elton over the past few months; a new log cabin-style wet weather shelter on the Downing Site & a new pizza oven! The property has access to Nottinghamshire countryside & woodlands, plus activities including grass sledging. Magpies' Campsite has vacancies for weekends in September & October. Magpies Nest Holiday House is available on the following dates: 18- 20 October & there are also weekends available in November & December. Downing Site is available in October. For a Saturday or Sunday trip out with your unit this Autumn or Winter, Elton offers team building activities; light a fire & cook your lunch or complete one of our onsite trails. For more information about Elton & to make a booking, visit the [county website](#). There's also opportunities to become an Elton Volunteer; help with upcoming events, conservation or maintenance of the site, including painting & cleaning. If you can advise about building & landscaping projects we like to hear from you. Contact Elton@girlguidingnottinghamshire.org.uk if you're interested.

HANSON HOUSE AUTUMN PROMOTION

Hanson House is one of Girlguiding Nottinghamshire's properties. The former village school has been converted & extended to make it a well-equipped Holiday House & Training Centre, situated in Linby & only 5 miles from junction 27 of the M1 motorway. Book a weekend between September & December 2019 for the bargain price of £250.00 per weekend (usual price £320.00). If you're going to The Big Gig in Sheffield, why not make it a weekend & consider a sleepover at the property. To find out more & to book, visit the [county website](#).

2020 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NEW LEADERS TRAINING

Saturday 25 January 2020 - West Bridgford School

An all-day training for new leaders. Includes section training, an opportunity to meet the county team and plan a trip out of your unit meeting place. Also an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. Booking opens soon, via the [county website](#).

CELEBRATE

Saturday 22 February 2020 - NEC Birmingham- £20 p/p (payment is required at time of booking & is non-refundable)

Open to all sections, Celebrate will be a World Thinking Day with a difference. Bookings are now open. For full details & to book your place, visit the [Girlguiding Midlands website](#). Get your bookings in soon, as counties in Midlands Region have first dibs on tickets!

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY DAY

Saturday 21 March 2020

A full day of training to give you new ideas to take back into your unit. Includes section training, the new programme and practical activities and training. Also get to know other leaders and learn from their experiences.

GIRLGUIDING NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY TRAINING WEEKEND

Friday 17 April - Sunday 19 April 2020 - Waddow Hall, Clitheroe

For all commissioners, advisers, leaders, leaders in training, unit helpers and young leaders aged 16+. Full details to be confirmed. Check the [county website](#) for updates.

COMING UP...

Date	Event	Contact
21 November	1st RESPONSE RENEWAL, 6.30pm - 8.30pm, Guide HQ, Carlton	Clare Leggett
30 November	A SAFE SPACE LEVEL 3, time and location TBC	Guide HQ
15 December	CAROLS AROUND THE CAMPFIRE, 3pm - 5pm Roughbreck Campsite, Worksop	Guide HQ