

March Newsletter 2023

Central Glamorgan County

-- A message from the County Commissioner -

It was fantastic to see so many of you attend the Annual Review. What a day of celebration. Did you know with all the year service awards presented we had over 745 year of service - what an achievement. It was a privilege to be able to present thanks badges, good service awards and other wards, plus acknowledge the fact of our achievements as a county through 2022. For me our Seren was Eden, I am sure her story touched several of you, what an inspiration – look out for her on GGUK web page you never know........ Guiding has grown in numbers during 2022 which I am proud of!! Lets see 2023 grow Guiding even further. At the point of Yearly Subscriptions this year we had 1509 young members. This has now increased to 1580 young members. We have also opened a new unit in Sker division for Brownies – Welcome and hope to meet them soon. Lets hope this trend continues. Can I please ask that you keep your GO data up to date. Like last year I will continue to feedback how our membership numbers are trending.

With the launch of our new branding, I would appreciate it if you could have a look at GGUK and Cymru information. Look out for information on training - we need to ensure we embrace this change.

Lastly, I would like to thank you for completing your Census/ Yearly subscriptions on time - All send well done and a massive thank you!!!

> County commissioner Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

Let's Stay at Gorwelion Grant Fund Sponsored by Nook and Cranny Cleaning Co.

This year thanks to Nook and Cranny Cleaning Co. we have been able to provide a small grant to support members of Girlguiding Central Glamorgan to stay at Our House by the Sea. This grant will be available for up to 2 members (adult or child) from the unit to cover the cost of staying at Gorwelion only. This grant fund is limited and once the grant has been fully allocated this fund will be no longer be available.

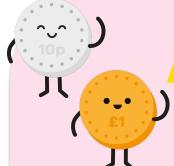
When you book you will be sent the application form. For those who have already booked and would like a form.

Please contact

Sharon Lima: bookings.gorwelion22@gmail.com

Lets Build

This is our new county challenge badge. The funds raised from this will be going towards a sit on mower for Gorwelion – called by some of us SMARTI. It was Jane Smart who instigated the fundraising for this piece of equipment with the afternoon tea last year. To date we have over £3500.00 we need £5000.00 to ensure we can purchase a mower fit for purpose.



ACCOUNTS

Jan to Dec 2022

Just a reminder. If you're a unit leader or commissioner, it's your responsibility to make sure your unit or level's accounts are properly maintained. This is **required by**law as part of your role as a charity trustee.

Keeping proper accounting records is a legal requirement for everyone who handles charity money. You must create a basic income and expenditure record for your unit or level. You can do this in the way that works best for you – but it must be easily auditable. You can use either an account book, a spreadsheet or using a financial accounts package or app – GGUK has an accounts pack that you can down load. Your accounts should have been with your Division Commission by 31st March if not please contact you Div com. Your unit account will be asked for by the county as this is a compliance issue.

Safe Space / DBS

Are you in compliance? Every week an email is sent indicating who is coming out of compliance. It would be fantastic if Central Glamorgan did not receive an email. If you do not keep safe space or your DBS in compliance there is a risk that your membership will be withdrawn unless there is a good reason for you not being able to keep in compliance.

Well Done!

Well done to the 25 girls who are all working towards their Bronze, Silver and Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award. They all attended the training weekend and learnt how to plan their routes and set out their objectives. They also brushed up on their map reading skills, learnt how to cook on trangias and got to know each other too.



Have your SAY!

Please can you take two minutes to fill out this short questionnaire to have your say on what training you would like to have within the county

https://forms.gle/qZgPLSmSErMvHLLr9

Uk Parliament Week

Did you know that UK Parliament week is coming up soon and signing up is free....Plus there is a badge!

https://www.ukparliamentweek.org/en/



2nd Pontyclun Guides

What a fantastic evening enjoyed by all guides of needling felt and jewellery Making.











Eden Jones

Eden Jones is a Rainbow from Williamstown Rainbow
Unit who loves to come along every week. Eden is a
lovely little girl who doesn't just shine for us she shines
on her social media pages – a little piece of Eden which
is where Girlguiding found her and asked her to be part
of the new Girlguiding campaign. Since this journey
began Eden has been asked if she would like to do
more with HQ which mam Chelsea has agreed to do
so. We are so PROUD of Eden within our unit and
County. WELL DONE EDEN!







2nd Pontyclun Guides

2nd Pencoed Guides celebrated International Women's Day! they chatted about what it was and why it's important to celebrate, and then they drew a picture of themselves and wrote all the things they think are great about themselves. Then they passed their pictures around the other Guides and everyone wrote something they thought is great about that

person. It was a really lovely activity

The girls had an exciting evening of team building a big thank you to the Royal Navy for visiting us and for giving us a insight into what they do.

With team work the girls managed to all successfully make stretchers using different items.



1st Llanharan Brownies

Ist Llanharan Brownies had a wonderful visit from the gorgeous Floppy, only 4 weeks old. They got to have a cuddle and feed him, he's hand reared as he lost his mummy unfortunately. They talked about the importance of hand washing after handling animals. They also made posters about how to look after the countryside when we go for walks.





Annual Review

A Big thank you to all those who atteneded the annual review, was lovely to see so many awards handed out.

Keep your eyes peeled for more information on the branding change soon.

1st Llantrisant Brownies

Ist Llantrisant Brownies had a visit from their favourite Zumba instructor, Gigi! The Brownies danced to lots of songs from Harry Styles to Mama Mia and they all had an amazing time! They want Gigi back as soon as possible!



Send us your news

This is your newsletter. Please send items in for us to share. If you'd like to send photos too that would be great! Central Glamorgan is a fantastic County so let's shout about it!!! Please send to the email address below by February the 15th.

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