



September

I do hope you all enjoyed the Summer and had fun making memories with your families. Hopefully you are all now well rested and have re-charged those batteries, ready for the term ahead.

It has been a very busy Summer down in Gorwelion, teams of volunteers have been helping to get Gorwelion ready for bookings. We are almost there, but have a few more bits to do. A massive thank you to everyone who has given up their time to come down over the Summer and help with various jobs, both inside and outside. We couldn't have got to where we are without your help! Hopefully we will be ready to open for booking soon, so keep your eye out.

I'm really looking forward to seeing you all at the Fun day in Gorwelion on the 18th of September. Please promote this event in your units and spread the word amongst friends and family. It will be a fantastic opportunity to see the great work that has been done down in Gorwelion, as well as raise some much needed funds too! Please come along and support your wonderful home by the sea.

I can't wait to welcome you to the Annual Review this year, it's on the 17th of October, 4pm-6pm in Bryncae Community Centre. It will be an opportunity to get together after such a long time apart and celebrate the amazing Guiding that has gone on throughout lockdown! Tea and cake will be provided too.

As we look forward to the new term ahead, it's an exciting time and new adventures await. Some units will be meeting back face to face for the first time in over 18 months. It is also a daunting time too, with new guidelines and forms to complete. If you are feeling nervous or if you have questions, please contact your Division Commissioner for a chat, or drop me an email with your queries. We are here to help, guide and support you through this next chapter.

International day of Peace is celebrated on the 21st of this month, a time to reflect on what peace means to us and an opportunity to think of our sister in Guiding across the world. Why not run an activity with your unit based on Peace?

Good luck to those returning to face to face meetings!

Julie - County Commissioner

Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

Face to face Guiding

With the new term just beginning we know many units will be returning face to face in the coming weeks. Which is very exciting indeed, after such a long time spent apart! It can also be a daunting time as there is so much to consider. Please remember your Division Commissioner is here to help you as are the County team. A problem shared is a problem halved!

Please remember that before you are able to meet face to face you need to ensure that the following are in place.

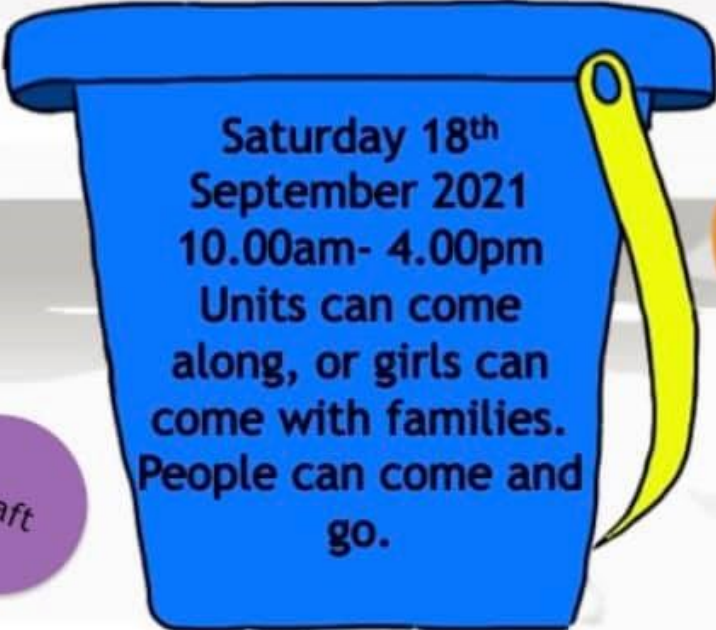
- ⇒ All members of the leadership team need to be up to date with their Safe Space
- ⇒ At least one member needs to have an up to date first response certificate

(Please see the information regarding trainings further on in this newsletter).

- ⇒ All leaders need to have a current DBS check, please contact you Division Commissioner's to arrange renewal.
 - ⇒ You need to have had your Risk Assessment approved by the GGCymru team too
riskassessment@girlguidingcymru.org.uk

If you need support completing your RA please contact your Division Commissioner. She is here to support and guide you.

Gorwelion Fun Day



Saturday 18th
September 2021
10.00am- 4.00pm
Units can come
along, or girls can
come with families.
People can come and
go.

Raffle

Tea/
coffee

Craft

Games

Lots of
fun!



Please come along and support Gorwelion for this event! There will be loads going on, something for everyone. Please encourage your units to come along with their families too. It's a drop in day, so feel free to stay for as long as you like. It will also be an opportunity to see the fantastic work that has been happening down in Gorwelion to improve our wonderful home by the sea. It will be a chance to connect with other leaders too and put your suggestions forwards with regards to future events/trainings/weekends down in Gorwelion. We are looking forward to seeing you all there!!

We are also looking for volunteers on the day, so if you are able to come down and help please email divcom.garthmaelwg@gmail.com

Annual Review

You are invited to attend Gilrguiding Central Glamorgan's Annual Review and celebration of achievement.

SUNDAY 17TH OF OCTOBER

4PM-6PM

BRYNCAE COMMUNITY CENTRE, LLANHARAN,
CF72 9UU

We need your help

Did your unit complete something fun during lock down?

Did you have a party on zoom?

Have you done something fun since being able to meet face to face?

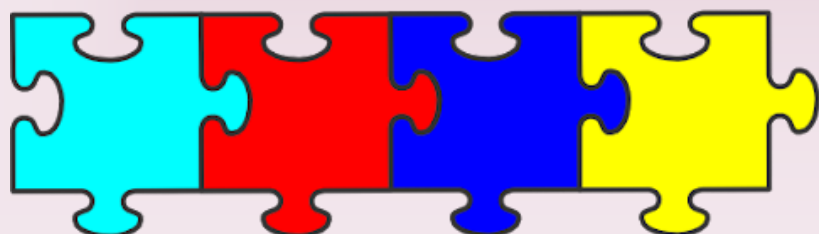
Please email your photos through to pr.girlguidingcg@gmail.com for the chance to see them in the annual review.

Deadline for photos is Sunday October 10th

Thank You
PR Team 😊



The County team are looking forward to welcoming you to the Annual Review this year. It will be an opportunity to celebrate all the fantastic things that have been happening across the County during what has been an incredibly difficult 18 months for us all. Please come along, it would be lovely to see old friends and new faces too.



To book on
click [HERE](#)

Your news!

Porthcawl

Porthcawl Division had a great time over the Summer down at Gorwelion. They organised a fun day for their units and everyone had a fantastic time!! If you would like to hire the fields to hold a similar event please email chair.gorwelion@gmail.com



Your news!

Porthcawl



Your news!

Garth Maelwg

Garth Maelwg Guide Units teamed up for a campfire evening down in Gorwelion over the Summer. It was a glorious evening and the girls enjoyed being back together again singing their favourite songs and huddling around the fire!



Your news!

1st Ynysmaerdy Rangers

1st Ynysmaerdy Rangers had a fantastic Pizza Party! It was a great evening and a chance to say farewell to the girls who are starting their University adventures soon! Good luck girls!!





Gorwelion



A tremendous effort has been made over the Summer by volunteers and leaders to improve Gorwelion and to work through a big list of jobs, in order to ensure that everything is in place before we can open for bookings!

From weeding, diy, cleaning, gardening, clearing ivy, repairing windows and more. You name it, it's been a hectic summer. Thank you to everyone who came down to help on the working weekends, your support really is invaluable!! Without the hard graft of volunteers we wouldn't have been able to achieve what we have! Diolch yn fawr iawn!! As you can imagine there is always maintenance to keep on top of with a building like Gorwelion and we are always looking for help. Keep your eye out for the next working weekend!





Gorwelion



Our

Wonderful



Home

...by the sea.



Gorwelion



Gorwelion archives

Get the Gorwelion spirit!

Did you know?

The large oak tree below the cow shed on the big site was planted by Olave Baden-Powell, the Chief Guide on the 30th of May 1947 at the opening of the first Gorwelion. Sadly, this was burnt down by vandals on the 24th of May 1948. That must have been devastating!!

However, the commitment of some amazing women, Guiding strength and determination ensured the Gorwelion we know today was opened by Miss Heather Kay, Chief Commissioner for Wales on the 16th of August 1949. Isn't that an incredible achievement and how fortunate we are to have Gorwelion today.

Go for it! Tap the Gorwelion tree Be part of the Gorwelion Spirit and its magic!



The archive team are very keen to record the Gorwelion journey from 1947 onwards. If you have any photographs/memories/ anything to help us please send them on to Emily Jo ~ pr.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

The archive team are also looking for another member to join them. A member who could help with scanning photos and collecting some more recent ones too. Could this be you?



Gorwelion



Have your say

**Let us know your thoughts on
Gorwelion and send us your feedback.**

Would you like to suggest changes?

Would you like to see onsite activities?

What would encourage you to use Gorwelion more?

**Help us make Gorwelion a fantastic place for all Units to
enjoy for many years to come!**

**Please take a few minutes to complete the anonymous
questionnaire by following this link or scan the QR code.**

Diolch yn fawr ~ Thank you



To complete the Gorwelion
questionnaire, either scan the
QR code or click [HERE](#).

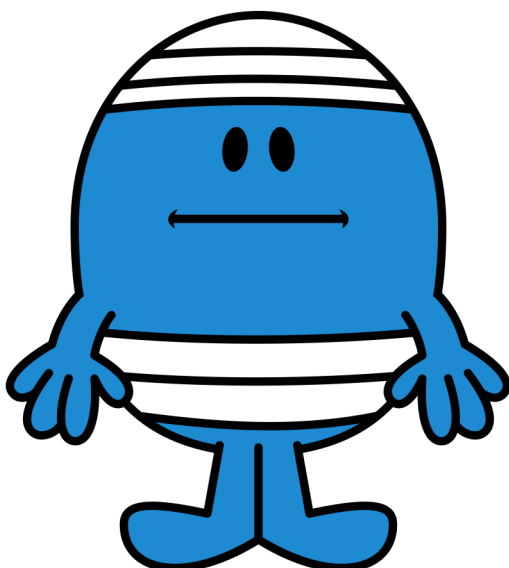
First Response training

- ⇒ Monday 20th of September and Wednesday 22nd of September 2021
 - ⇒ Each session 19:00 to 21:00 via Zoom
- ⇒ The 1st Response Training is a 6 hour training that will be undertaken via Zoom.
- ⇒ The face to face session is on Saturday the 2nd of October in Gorwelion. This will include CPR and initial assessment
 - ⇒ In order to gain the qualification, you must attend all 3 sessions.

The course will be run at a unit cost of £5.00 per head which is a unit cost.

If you would like to book a place please email:

firstaid.girlguidingcg@gmail.com



Latest Covid Guidance

As of Monday, 3rd May 2021 organised activities for children and young people aged 18 and under are now allowed indoors. We know many of you are looking forward to seeing your girls again and to get back to some normality! We understand not everyone can do this and at present we are encouraging a blended approach. Some may want to mix outdoors, indoors and virtual guiding over the summer period.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The rules about social distancing for children aged under 11 outside their household or extended household have been relaxed.

Guides, Rangers & volunteers are required to socially distance and wear a face covering indoors.

There is no limit to the number of girls and volunteers but for girls 11 and over social distancing does apply so your meeting space will need to comply.

Rainbows and Brownies - no restrictions on numbers and social distancing has been relaxed. Please note volunteers will still need to be mindful and stay 2 metres (3 steps) away from others. We understand there may be circumstances and activities that may require you to be close to your girls.

Guides and Rangers - no restrictions on numbers but your indoor space will need to accommodate social distancing 2 meter rule.

It is still a legal requirement for face coverings to be worn in all other indoor places open to the public. This requirement has not changed.

Some things you **MUST** do: Click [HERE](#) to read all the latest guidance.

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 September the 27th.

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