

# September Newsletter 2023

**Central Glamorgan County** 

Welcome back to a new term and I hope you have recharged your batteries. This term has already, for me seemed full - work happening in Gorwelion, thinking ahead for our 80 years as a County, County Dinner, sorting out after our Switzerland adventure which 3 units in the County enjoyed and already attending meetings plus what I enjoy most is meeting up with the girls at unit level.

Over the summer period, thank you to those who have updated GO records for their units. But there is still information missing off personal records. Mainly email addresses. This does have an impact on what you hear about what is happening in Guiding both locally and in the wider network.

Membership to date is 1659 from 1713 young members before the summer break. I know we have several changes with girls moving sections and unfortunately some who leave us at this time of year. But, we do have a significant waiting lists. Please can you look at these and contact our potential new members – Central Glamorgan you can definitely Growing Guiding!! Please take time to read the newsletter and the opportunities available.

> Let's make the Autumn Term a good one!! Julie Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

#### **Gorwelion**



We are taking bookings for 2024. Please book in advance not to Miss out!! Bookings and enquires to <a href="mailto:bookings.gorwelion22@gmail.com">bookings.gorwelion22@gmail.com</a>

#### **House Prices**

Booked by	Price per head per	Non returnable deposit	Minimum charge per	Per Hour Use
	night		night	
Central Glam				
Members	£10.00	£90.00	£180.00	£10.00
Scouts / Guides	£10.50	£90.00	£200.00	£10.50
Other	£12.00	£150.00	£300.00	£12.00
organisations				

#### Camp site Fees

Booked by	Price per	Non returnable	Minimum Charge	Per Hour
	head per	deposit	per night	Use
	night			
Central Glam	£6.00	£50.00	£66.00	£10.00
Members				
Scouts / Guides	£7.00	£50.00	£77.00	£10.50
Other	£7.50	£70.00	£82.50	£12.00
organisations				

#### PLEASE NOTE Daily use of Gorwelion

- Morning Hire Hirers may enter the building from 8:30am and must vacate the site by 12.30pm
- Afternoon Hire Hirers may enter the building from 1.30pm and must vacate the site by 5:30 pm
- Evening Hire Hirers may enter the building from 6pm and must vacate the site by 9:00pm
- Any changes to these times must be agreed with the booking secretary.

# Resources Let's build- Activity pack



Have you seen our County resource pack? Its well worth a look!

There are 5 sections looking at teams, construction, Guiding,
wellbeing and friendship - these activities for all sections. Why not
start this new term with this activity pack and build your unit, plus
you will be supporting the County and Gorwelion?

Contact <u>divcom.garthmaelwg@gmail.com</u> for a copy of this pack.

# County Vacancy - Dyfodol y Ddraig (Queen's Guide opportunity)

Dyfodol y Ddraig is made up of Rangers and Inspire members. Members are aged between 16 - 25 who want to be involved in making sure that the members of Girlguiding Cymru have a voice. Each member serves a term of 2-3 years. In addition to the committee members invited are other coordinators like Peer Educators, Sports Educators, Assembly Ambassadors, Advocates, BYC representative, Youth Parliament for the day. Dyfodol meet twice a year (Usually Autumn and Spring), where they discuss issues for young people both within and outside of Girlguiding. Also, they brainstorm for activities and events, for example: social action events, helping with badges and have fun too!! They communicate through a closed Facebook group and email. Posting include different survey monkeys, update each other, organize lift shares, suggest ideas, share events, agendas, health forms and minutes. If interested please email Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

#### Gorwelion



Thank you to those who attended the working day in Gorwelion and are supporting our working weeks which happened in September supported by external contactors who are giving their time and resources freely. There has been quite some work done.... Look out for more information in next months Newsletter.

Hanson coming back to Gorwelion in October for a further 4 days to complete the disabled access to the shed in the small site. We need help with tea/coffee/letting in/out from 9th - 12th October please. Monday to Thursday. If you are able to come down for the day or part of the day, please email Donna: <a href="mailto:donnajacka@hotmail.co.uk">donnajacka@hotmail.co.uk</a>

If you are interest in the going away with scheme. Please contact <a href="mailto:Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com">Julie.girlguidingcg@gmail.com</a> so she can discuss a plan and assign you a mentor to support you.

Are you interested in taking your group away to Gorwelion? Would you like to book an evening at Gorwelion

please contact bookings.gorwelion22@gmail.com

## Congratulations



Congratulations to the following on Completing the Duke of Edinburgh Award over the summer.

Bronze – Abigail Camm, Taryn Hayward-Howell,
Francesca Portlock, Elainor McFarlane-Baxter, Rebecca
Roberts , Elin Jones , Sofia Pucella
Silver – Carmelle Whatmore, Chloe Gore



Leadership Qualification – The book format has ceased this September. The online format is in action. If you need to book on any courses, they not need to be run by the County or GGCymru they can be organised by any region in the UK.

Please contact out ALQ coordinators for help to ensure we are aware of you and that you have a mentor to support you.

### **Useful County email addresses**

International Adviser – Sharon Rees-Williams sreeswilliams@hotmail.com Young Leaders Adviser – Elli Bufton – YLadviser.cynonvalley@outlook.com PR Adviser - Emily- Jo Davey pr.girlguidingcg@gmail.com Queens Guide Adviser – Sarah Phillips sarahannwilliams1990@googlemail.com Booking sec Gorwelion - Sharon Lima bookings.gorwelion22@gmail.com County Badge Sec - Dian Jones -Dianjones80@gmail.com Brownie Adviser - Stephanie Horsley steph.horsley@outlook.com Property Adviser - Donna Jacka donnajacka@hotmail.co.uk ALQ Coordinators - Bethan Hicks bethalq.girlguidingcg@gmail.com Jayne Rogers divcom.garthmaelwg@gmail.com Outdoor Qualification Verifier - Jen Denham -1stvalequidesandrangers@gmail.com Program and Training - Clare Jones discom.upperrhondda@gmail.com 1st Response coordinator – Beth Williams – Firstaid.girlguidingcg@gmail.com

#### **SWITZERLAND and DISNEY 2023**

43 members from Girlguiding Central Glamorgan spent this summer in Adelboden, Switzerland lead by Nadine Thomas. Members came from Porthcawl, Hirwaun – Aberdare and Abercynon. After traveling 2 days with a stopover in France the group arrived at their chalet in Adelboden. The week was action packed from visiting Burn the capital, going on a Funicular railway, watching cheese being made at a local farm, visiting a chocolate factory, traveling on ski lifts, learning how to play curling plus visiting Our Chalet. On return a stop off was made to Disneyland Paris. It was a week of adventure, challenge, working on occasions outside your comfort zone. What an experience!!! Just a small taste of Switzerland.......





### **Yearly Subscriptions**

This years yearly subscriptions will be £57:00 this is made up of UK= £31.00, Cymru= £18.00 and Central Glam = £8.00

Please could you start if not already, budgeting for this in February.

For those who are unsure what subscription is used for it's to support the running of Girlguiding. It pays our public liability, resources, expense for both employed and volunteers who hold roles, upkeep of buildings, sourcing and using external agencies to support the work of Girlguiding to name but a few. With membership that is on GO not increasing as was expected after COVID and increases in expenses for materials etc these are the resons for subscriptions being set at what they are.



If you are interested in taking your unit and would like more information, please email Nadine for a booking form:

divcom.cynonvalley@gmail.com

**Girlguiding in Garth Maelwg** 

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2<sup>nd</sup> Pencoed Guides achieved their #she paddles challenge badge, led by Dragon Paddlers.



1<sup>st</sup> Pontyclun Brownies have been busy in their loal area, collecting litter and making the area a better place for us all to enjoy! Well done girls!



The Division had a recruitment stall at the Pontyclun Picnic to encourage volunteers to join Girlguiding and also to promote what the units have on offer for young girls in the area!



1<sup>st</sup> Ynysmaerdy Rangers are enjoying being back after the Summer and they had a good time cooking their tea on trangias last week!





### Congratulations

Congratulations Megan Phillips from 1st Kenfig Hill Rainbows. Megan walked Pen Y Fan and raised over £800 for the hall where her Rainbow unit meets. Well Done!!

